

## Book Review

### **The Atlas of Genital Dermatology**

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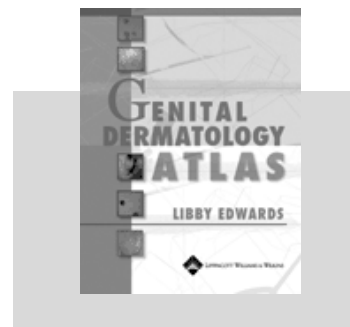
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The Atlas of Genital Dermatology published by Lippincott Williams and Wilkins is a well written review by a renowned dermatologist specialised in genital dermatology; Dr Libby Edwards. The Atlas starts with basic anatomy of the female and male genital organs and describes in details benign conditions like pearly penile papules, Fordyce spots, Tyson's glands, steatocystoma multiplex, angiokeratoma and pathophysiology of these conditions. This is followed by a chapter in diagnostic and therapeutic procedures. The crux of the Atlas is devoted to illustrations of pathological conditions start from red plaques and patches, nodules, pustular eruptions, vesiculobullous diseases, ulcers, white lesion and skin colored lesion and genital dermatology in immunosuppressed patients and lastly but not the least paediatric genital diseases. The Atlas also gives high quality illustrations and good descriptions on premalignant skin lesions like Bowen's disease, Bowenoid papulosis, lichen sclerosis et atrophicus and extra-mammary

Paget's Disease. The only criticism I have on this book is that there is an inadequate description on update treatment on premalignant condition of the genitalia.

Genital dermatology is a subspecialty in general dermatology that is easy to learn but difficult to master. This atlas serves as essential companion for gynaecologists, genitourinary physicians, general practitioners and all those who work in the field of genital dermatology and dermatovenereology. I would recommend all those who are interested in this field to keep a copy of this atlas in their personal collection.



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