

### **Atlas of black skin**

Ali Moiin (ed), Springer, 2020, 249 pages, \$249.99, ISBN-13 978-3030314842.

*Atlas of Black Skin*<sup>1</sup> provides an exceedingly valuable resource within an increasingly recognized area in the field of dermatology regarding patients with darker skin tones. The text is authored by Dr Ali Moiin, an experienced clinician with more than 30 years of practice focusing on treating patients with skin of color. This informative atlas is the most comprehensive of its type published to date, with more than 800 high-quality photographs in addition to helpful insights for treating this patient population.

The atlas, with more than 10 chapters, explores a variety of dermatologic considerations in skin of color. The text covers topics including common skin conditions, cutaneous infections, immunologic diseases, keloids, disorders of pigmentation, diseases of the scalp, alopecia, and cutaneous cancers. Each condition is complemented by several high-quality images and a comprehensive, yet concise summary of the important considerations around presentation, diagnosis, and treatment within this patient cohort. *Atlas of Black Skin* is an approachable 240 pages, complemented with an extensive photographic component that addresses important clinical presentations, which have previously been underrepresented in academic literature in skin of color.

This text is most suited to clinicians with some training or interest in dermatology and diagnosing and managing patients of color, including residents and practicing dermatologists. Although the text is largely successful in providing pictorial content to match every presentation, the quality of the image library occasionally lacks, largely in association with scarce presentations. Content is concise and relevant to clinicians; however, the accompanying text at times lacks pursuant detail, as the reference unapologetically and primarily provides a pictorial catalogue in a visual specialty. The resource is an excellent companion to the clinician, resident, or specialist looking to broaden their scope of practice or extend their professional knowledge. Moiin is to be applauded for this addition to the speciality, *Atlas of Black Skin* is a one-stop reference for clinicians with a keen interest in expanding their knowledge to varied patient groups with darker skin tones.

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