



Fisiología Cardiovascular: Bases Racionales para la Terapéutica

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Cardiovascular diseases and cancer are the two most frequent causes of mortality in West population. It is probable that due to progressive and predominant aging of our society that frequency would tend to increase in the following years. Therefore, the understanding of the pathophysiology of cardiovascular diseases is important for the clinical cardiologist, especially for young that are in the formation process.

In this sense, the international bibliography offers excellent books regarding Cardiovascular Pathophysiology, with authors of the hierarchy of Lionel Opie and Arnold Katz, among others. However, there are few texts about this subject matter in Spanish and in any case there is integration among basic researchers and clinical cardiologists as the one achieved by Gelpi and Donato in their book. An important fact is that this work does not want to emphasize diagnostic and therapeutic aspects of the cardiovascular pathophysiology, but wants to be a complement of them integrating the different pathophysiological aspects.

In this first edition of 2010, with the stamp of Corpus Editorial, authors described the cardiovascular pathophysiology in 24 chapters, assisted by 55 collaborators, of which eight work in entities of the United States and Europe; they are illustrated, with images, tables and diagrams of good quality, that make easy the understanding of the different subjects. A

selected group of authors, of high scientific hierarchy, describe the current state of knowledge and the possible future research lines, within the different aspects of cardiovascular pathophysiology, as well as its application in clinical and its indication in treatment.

All the mechanisms of the disease are considered with reliability and clarity, so its interpretation is easier, especially for those young readers that are starting in this specialty.

This book deals with the vast majority of modern cardiology topics, it maybe useful for both the student, due to its clear exposition and structure, and the professional as a consultation text due to its excellent quality, the choice of collaborators and because it contains the most adequate bibliography.

In brief, it is an original text written by authors of sound and deep personal experience that have created a modern work of great kinetic hierarchy according to the prestige of the Argentinian cardiology. We can celebrate its appearance and thank the authors and collaborators for the fruitful labour developed and invite colleagues to read it.

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