

Preface  
Cholestasis



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I am excited about this issue of the *Clinics in Liver Disease*. It has been 4 years since the last review of this topic, and I have been informed by the publishers that the previous issue had been one of the most popular of the series. In deciding which topics to include in the present issue, several difficult choices needed to be made. First, we wanted to keep those former articles that dealt with clinically challenging material but would benefit from the addition of new information. Second, we wished to add new articles on topics that were not covered previously but have important clinical impact.

Therefore, we decided to keep but update the following articles: “Sepsis and Cholestasis” (Richard H. Moseley, MD); “Histologic Assessment of Cholestasis” (Jay Lefkowitz, MD); “Drug- and Chemical-Induced Cholestasis” (James Lewis, MD, and Raja Mohi-ud-din MD); “Benign Recurrent Intrahepatic Cholestasis” (Velimir Luketic, MD, and Mitchell Shiffman, MD); “Postoperative Jaundice” (Thomas Faust, MD, and K. Rajender Reddy, MD); “Intrahepatic Cholestasis of Pregnancy” (Caroline Riely, MD, and Yannick Bacq, MD); “Primary Biliary Cirrhosis and Autoimmune Cholangiopathy” (John Vierling, MD); “Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis” (Flavia D. Mendes, MD, and Keith Lindor, MD); and “Cholestasis in Human Immunodeficiency (HIV)-Infected Patients” (Helen Te, MD). Each of these articles has been updated with new information, new illustrations, and current references.

New articles were included on topics to further broaden the coverage of the field of cholestasis and survey important areas not covered previously. Thus we included the following new articles: “Recent Developments in the Pathophysiology of Cholestasis” (John Gollan, MD, and Grant Hutchins, MD); “Serum

Enzymes Associated with Cholestasis” (Eva Sotil, MD, and Donald Jensen, MD); “An Approach to the Management of Pruritus of Cholestasis” (Nora Bergasa, MD); “Mechanisms of Action and Therapeutic Efficacy of Ursodeoxycholic Acid in Cholestatic Liver Disease” (Gustav Paumgartner, MD, and Ulrich Beuers, MD); and “Granulomatous Liver Disease and Cholestasis” (Tonantzin Matheus, MD, and Santiago Muñoz, MD).

I trust that you will enjoy this issue of the *Clinics in Liver Disease* and will discover the incredible wealth of information contained in these pages.

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