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BOOK REVIEW

Frontotemporal dementia syndromes

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Understanding frontotemporal dementia and related disorders is not a simple matter.

It requires knowledge of many aspects of the disease, including clinical features, neuropsychology, neuroimaging, histopathology, molecular pathology and genetics. This is a daunting task even for the leading experts. Making matters worse, over the past decade there has been an exponential increase in publications related to this field. Unlike in Alzheimer's disease only a few textbooks have been published that dealt solely with frontotemporal dementia; however, these textbooks are now somewhat outdated.

Frontotemporal dementia syndromes is a well written and easy to read textbook that provides an excellent overview of the different aspects of frontotemporal dementia and related disorders, such as motor neuron disease, progressive supranuclear palsy and corticobasal degeneration. Each chapter provides relatively detailed information that will be useful to anyone who evaluates patients or does scientific research in this field. The book does an excellent job of deciphering the complex terminology associated with frontotemporal dementia

and related disorders and is made cohesive by the fact that the authors of each chapter have previously collaborated. Clinical chapters provide useful case studies, examples of testing techniques and types of response errors one may encounter. There will be something to learn in this textbook for everyone in the field; from fellows in training to experts.

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