Energy balance and obesity in man.

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Abstract: This is an important book, very well written, highly persuasive, a the basic as well as the practical information necessary for an understanding problem of obesity. The trouble about 'obesity' is that it produces emotional people who then rationalize these reactions from a literature which will prov evidence desired. In medical science, there can be few pursuits which affect numbers of people with such little effect as the investigation and treatment course, few things are as satisfying to the intellectual academic as a problem prospect of application in a real-life situation, and this may explain the large
contradictory literature on obesity. In a slightly lengthy introduction, Dr. Garrow initiates us into his positive interpretation of this mass of confusing information. The book comprehensively the different methods used to measure energy intake and expenditure in man, the theories of control of energy intake, the part played by physical activity in energy expenditure, and the variable composition of the human body in relation to fat and how this can be measured. The final section is concerned with the difficult and practical problems of how to diagnose and classify an obese patient, and the various forms of treatment with a critique of their likely effectiveness. My only serious criticism of this excellent book is that, possibly because the author has apparently become interested in 'obesity' only comparatively recently, his interpretation frequently appears biased and somewhat selective. There are occasional errors, some of which are minor, and which are used to produce unwarranted conclusions. Some classical physiological literature, highly relevant to aspects of energy balance, seems unknown to the author. There is an apparently uncritical acceptance of certain published work, and a rather abrupt dismissal of other papers, without appropriate justification other than to fit in with the author's arguments. I read this book with an exasperating alternation of respect for the uncommon sense of Dr. Garrow and irritation at the unconvincing evidence used to back up some of the arguments. Nevertheless, I have no hesitation in commending this book. Certain sections are excellent, dispassionately and stimulatingly written: I was particularly impressed with the chapter on 'energy stores: their composition, measurement and control', where Dr. Garrow's first-hand experience is clearly evident. It is an expensive book, but well produced and usefully illustrated. There is a very good list of references, which is almost as comprehensive as one would desire. To my knowledge, it is by far the best book on 'energy balance in man'. Everyone involved in the study of obesity should read it. One's enjoyment of this clear account of a complex problem need not be diminished by a slight reserve in the acceptance of the author's more dogmatic statements. J.V.G.A. Durnin.
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