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# Book Reviews: Technical Books Section

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The Atlas of Heart Disease and Stroke, 1st Edition *by* Judith Mackay and George A Mensah. Soft cover, 7" x 9.5".
World Health Organization, Avenue Appia 20, 1211 Geneva 27, Switzerland (in collaboration with Centres for Disease Control and Prevention); 112 pages: ISBN 92 4 156276 8. NLM classification: WG 210. Publication Date 2004: Price: CHF 50.00/US $ 45.00; In developing countries: CHF 35.00

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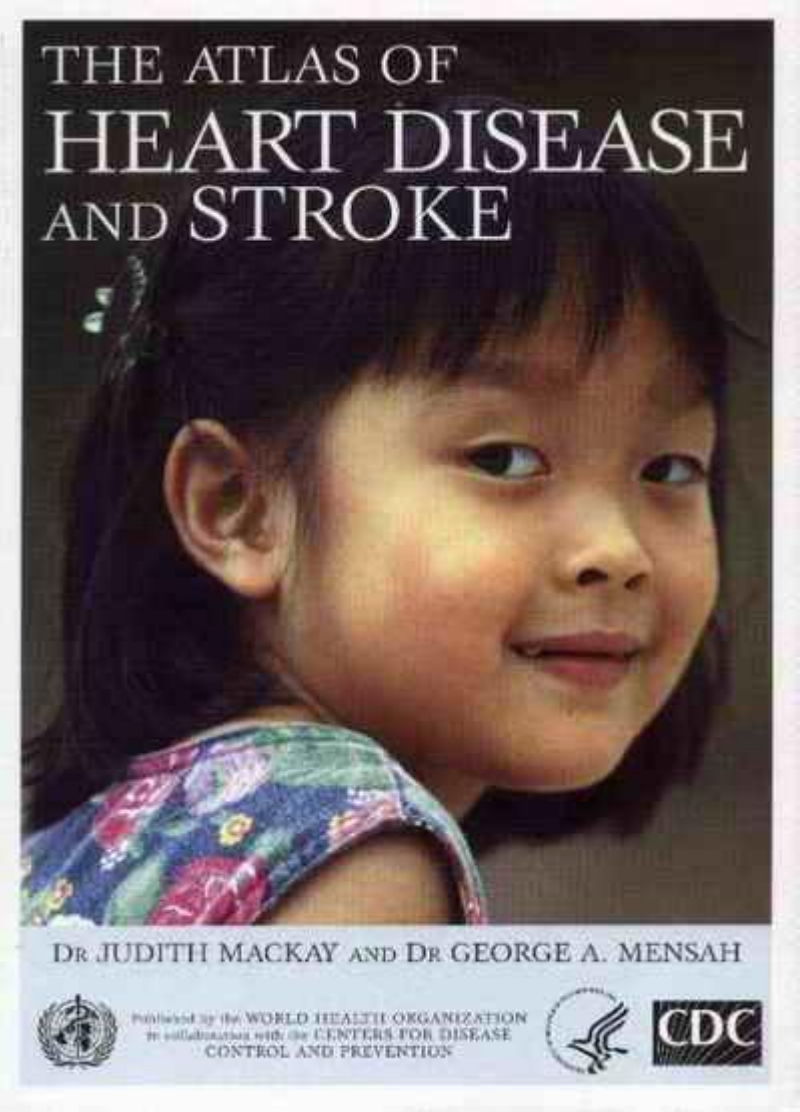


*We keep receiving books for review from various publishers. However some books are of such paramount importance that we at the journal office thought one review may not be able to do justice to that book. One opinion may be slanted, perhaps by the individual tastes and preferences of the reviewer. Reviewers from different continents, nations, even different parts of the same nation may perceive a book differently. Why not send books to two or more different reviewers and get their opinion. We requested several publishers to do that and they obliged.*

*From Volume 3, Number 1, January - June 2002, we started reviews of certains books of paramount importance as "featured books". The first book to be featured on our journal was Ecotoxicology: The Study of Pollutants in Ecosystems by F. Moriarty (Published by Academic Press). Review of that book, as well as the combined index of reviews of all featured books can be accessed by clicking here.*

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*In our last issue we published as many as six reviews in the featured books category (of these five were in the technical books section, and one in the popular books section. In this issue, we are continuing this trend.*

*This time we sent The Atlas of Heart Disease and Stroke by Judith Mackay and George A Mensah (Published by World Health Organization), to four reviewers - all in different stages of their medical careers. The first is a brilliant medical student, always topping in his class (Paras Agarwal), the*

*second is a team of two senior residents in the department of community medicine, and again both toppers in their careers (Dr. Rahul Malhotra and Dr. Chetna Malhotra), and the third is a faculty member (Dr. Srijit Das). The idea was to see how medical personnel in their different stages of formative careers (from student to faculty level) perceive this book.*

*The reviewers were not only requested to send us detailed reviews, but were asked to rate this book on a scale of ten. The following rating scale was provided to the reviewers.*

*0: Waste of time*
*1: Of minimal interest*
*2: Of little interest*
*3: Of some interest*
*4: Slightly below average*
*5: Average*
*6: Slightly above average*
*7: Good*
*8: Very Good*
*9: Excellent*
*10: Truly Outstanding*

*Here are both the reviews - with ratings.*

Review 1 by Paras Agarwal, India [4th Year Medical Student]

Review 2 by Dr. Rahul Malhotra and Dr. Chetna Malhotra, India [Senior Residents, Community Medicine]

Review 3 by Dr. Srijit Das, India [Professor, Anatomy]

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