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<u>Fungal Diseases in Animals</u> Arti Gupta 2021-06-22 The importance of fungal infections in both human and animals has increased over the last few decades. This book presents an overview of the different categories of fungal infections that can be encountered in animals (including lower vertebrates) originating from environmental sources with or without transmission to humans. In addition, the endemic infections with indirect transmission from the environment, the zoophilic fungal pathogens with near-direct transmission, the zoonotic fungi that can be directly transmitted from animals to humans, mycotoxicoses and antifungal resistance in animals will also be discussed. This book includes case studies and reviews the current state of knowledge on the mechanism of fungal attraction, recognition, infection, extracellular hydrolytic enzymes and pathogenesis of nematophagous fungi. The book also covers diagnostics, fungal formulations, as well as prevention methods. It discusses strategies to access the fungal pathogen groups, metagenomic analyses, genomics, secretomics, metabolomics, proteomics and transcriptomics. In addition, pathogen description, understanding, distribution and recent research results are provided.

Bailey & Scott's Diagnostic Microbiology - E-Book Patricia Tille 2015-12-28 Perfect your lab skills with the gold standard in microbiology! Serving as both the #1 bench reference for practicing microbiologists and as a favorite text for students in clinical laboratory science programs, Bailey & Scott's Diagnostic Microbiology, 14th Edition covers all the topical information and critical thinking practice you need for effective laboratory testing. This new edition also features hundreds step-by-step procedures, updated visuals, new case studies, and new material on the latest trends and equipment in clinical microbiology — including automation, automated streaking, MALDI-TOF, and incubator microscopes. It's everything you need to get quality lab results in class and in clinical practice! More than 800 detailed, full-color illustrations aid comprehension and help in visualizing concepts. Expanded sections on parasitology, mycology, and virology eliminate the need to purchase separate books on this material. General and Species boxes in the organism chapters highlight the important topics that will be discussed in the chapter. Case studies provide the opportunity to apply information to a variety of diagnostic scenarios, and help improve decision-making and critical thinking skills. Hands-on procedures include step-by-step instructions, full-color photos, and expected results. A glossary of terms is found at the back of the book for quick reference. Learning objectives begin each chapter, offering a measurable outcome to achieve by the completing the material. Learning resources on the Evolve companion website enhance learning with review questions and procedures. NEW! Coverage of automation, automated streaking, MALDI-TOF,

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Koneman's Color Atlas and Textbook of Diagnostic Microbiology Gary W. Procop 2020-06-15 Now in striking full color, this Seventh Edition of Koneman's gold standard text presents all the principles and practices readers need for a solid grounding in all aspects of clinical microbiology—bacteriology, mycology, parasitology, and virology. Comprehensive, easy-to-understand, and filled with high quality images, the book covers cell and structure identification in more depth than any other book available. This fully updated Seventh Edition is enhanced by new pedagogy, new clinical scenarios, new photos and illustrations, and all-new instructor and student resources.

Fundamental Medical Mycology Errol Reiss 2011-11-16 Medical mycology deals with those infections in humans, and animals resulting from pathogenic fungi. As a separate discipline, the concepts, methods, diagnosis, and treatment of fungal diseases of humans are specific. Incorporating the very latest information concerning this area of vital interest to research and clinical microbiologists, Fundamental Medical Mycology balances clinical and laboratory knowledge to provide clinical laboratory scientists, medical students, interns, residents, and fellows with in-depth coverage of each fungal disease and its etiologic agents from both the laboratory and clinical perspective. Richly illustrated throughout, the book includes numerous case presentations.

ATLAS OF MEDICAL MYCOLOGY Reena Ray Ghosh 2019-01-30 The Atlas showcases photographs of culture morphology and photomicrographs of both common and uncommon fungi. The figures are accompanied by appropriate description and the book includes clinical photographs and clinical description of cases from which the fungi were isolated.

<u>Veterinary Mycology</u> Indranil Samanta 2015-03-03 This book is a comprehensive overview of the fungi that are clinically relevant for animals and humans. It is divided in three major parts: the first part comprises the history of veterinary and medical mycology, general aspects of morphology, growth, nutrition, reproduction and classification of fungi. In the second part, the etiologic agents of cutaneous, subcutaneous and systemic mycoses are described in detail with special emphasis on emerging and uncommon pathogenic fungi. Each chapter consists of a brief history and the morphology, classification, reproduction, susceptibility to disinfectants, natural habitat, distribution, genome, isolation, growth and colony characteristics, antigenic characteristics, virulence factors. The major diseases and their routes of transmission, pathogenesis, immunity, diagnosis and treatment are also covered. The third part focuses on laboratory diagnosis including clinical sample collection, their processing for fungal isolation, special stains for microscopic visualization, culture media composition and a relevant glossary. Each chapter includes color photographs, schematic diagrams and tables for better understanding.

Oxford Textbook of Medical Mycology Christopher C. Kibbler 2017-12-14 Part of the Oxford Textbook in Infectious Disease and Microbiology series, this comprehensive reference unites the science and medicine of human fungal disease. Written by a leading group of international authors, topics include recent developments in taxonomy, fungal genetics and other "omics", epidemiology, pathogenesis, and immunology.

complete and detailed coverage of fungal infections including the epidemiology, clinical manifestations, diagnosis and treatment. This contemporary guide also features the most current information available on the medical management of fungal infections in AIDS and other immunosuppressed patients.

Identification of Pathogenic Fungi Colin K. Campbell 2013-01-25 Since the first edition of Identification of Pathogenic Fungi, there has been incredible progress in the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of fungal diseases: new methods of diagnosis have been introduced, and new antifungal agents have been licensed for use. However, these developments have been offset by the emergence of resistance to several classes of drugs, and an increase in infections caused by fungi with innate resistance to one or more classes. Identification of Pathogenic Fungi, Second Edition, assists in the identification of over 100 of the most significant organisms of medical importance. Each chapter is arranged so that the descriptions for similar organisms may be found on adjacent pages. Differential diagnosis details are given for each organism on the basis of both colonial appearance and microscopic characteristics for the organisms described. In this fully updated second edition, a new chapter on the identification of fungi in histopathological sections and smears has been added, while colour illustrations of cultures and microscopic structures have been included, and high quality, four colour digital images are incorporated throughout.

Diagnosis and Treatment of Human Mycoses Duane R. Hospenthal 2007-12-26 Diagnosis and Treatment of Human Mycoses brings together globally-recognized mycoses experts to guide readers in the use of current knowledge in the field of medical mycology to manage those who suffer from fungal infections (mycoses). Often, diagnostic strategies and tests, including basic and directed culturing techniques, histopathology with standard and special stains, serological methods, and radiological studies all need to be considered and commonly combined to make the diagnosis of fungal infection. This volume first introduces and reviews these tools separately and then as they pertain to specific infections or groups of diseases. The volume consists of four parts. Parts I-III provide an overview of diagnostic and therapeutic tools, and part IV presents the human mycoses. Diagnosis and Treatment of Human Mycoses is meant to be a concise text that will provide the busy infectious disease, hematology-oncology, pulmonology, or critical care specialist a practical tool to diagnose and manage fungal infections. In addition, the depth of the material in the text will provide these and other medical specialists and trainees an excellent reference and learning resource.

Medical Mycology and Human Mycoses Everett Smith Beneke 1996 MEDICAL MYCOLOGY AND HUMAN MYCOSES by Everett S. Beneke & Alvin L. Rogers. In recent years, significant changes have occurred in the field of medical mycology. Organisms not previously causative agents of human infection have now emerged as opportunistic pathogens in greatly increased numbers. These fungi have become serious pathogens in debilitated & immunocompromised hosts as a result of steroid & chemotherapy treatments, organ transplants, hyperalimentation, AIDS, & other macrodisruptive procedures & immune diseases. Dr. Beneke & Dr. Rogers provide a comprehensive color guide to medically significant fungi & the diseases they cause. Provides details of laboratory techniques & specimen identification. Lavishly illustrated with 270 color photographs plus extensive blank & white photographs & drawings. 0-89863-175-0 (See also: IDENTIFYING FILAMENTIOUS FUNGI ISGN: 0-89863-177-7) Star Publishing Company, P.O. Box 68, Belmont, CA 94002. Phone (650) 591-3505; fax (650) 591-3898 email: mail@starpublishing.com

<u>Essentials of Microbiology</u> Surinder Kumar 2015-11-30 Essentials of Microbiology is an extensive guide to all aspects of microbiology covering immunology, bacteriology, virology, medical mycology, diagnostic medical microbiology, and many miscellaneous infections. Essentials of Microbiology is enhanced by over 200 images and illustrations and 181 tables. The final chapter on practical microbiology for MBBS

students makes this book ideal for medical undergraduates.

Principles and Practice of Clinical Mycology F. C. Odds 1999-12-31 This book describes the principles and practice of clinical mycology. It is a comprehensive review of clinical fungal infections-organized by system rather than taxonomically.

Current Progress in Medical Mycology Héctor M. Mora-Montes 2018-08-29 Infections caused by fungi have recently attracted the attention of both clinicians and basic researchers given the heavy burden they represent for any health system. The mortality and morbidity rates associated to mycosis are progressively rising simply because some of these diseases are still neglected by health-care workers and due to the changing sensitivity to antifungal drugs displayed by these organisms. In this book, both researchers and clinicians working in the medical mycology field explore the most recent literature about specific mycosis; placing in one concise chapter thoroughly revisions of the current knowledge on virulence factors, recognition by immune cells, immunoevasion, epidemiology, new diagnosis trends and therapeutics. This book is recommended to researchers, physicians and students interested in medical mycology.

Oxford Texrbook of Medical Mycology 2018 The authors are international experts in their fields, from the UK, Europe, North and South America, Asia and Australia. This book is aimed at microbiologists, research scientists, infectious diseases clinicians, respiratory physicians, and those managing immunocompromised patients, as well as mycology course students and trainees in medical microbiology and infectious diseases.

<u>Malassezia and the Skin</u> Teun Boekhout 2010-04-06 This book covers all necessary aspects on the global epidemiology of Malassezia species and their effect on various diseases. Valuable treatment advice is given in order to improve the treatment outcome of affected patients.

Textbook of Microbiology Surinder Kumar 2012-09-30

Atlas of Clinical Fungi G. S. de Hoog 2000 Now available from ASM Press, this lavishly illustrated atlas sets the standard for innovative techniques in medical mycology. It illustrates the diversity of fungal agents and provides ample molecular data for the majority of clinically relevant fungi. In addition, antifungal susceptibility data is given for most species, providing essential knowledge for the clinician in view of adequate therapy. Numerous emerging opportunistic species are covered including recently described agents of brain infection such as Ramichloridium mackenziei and Cladophialophora modesta, as well as several Trichoderma species. Molecular data include rDNA SSU restriction maps for genera and rDNA ITS restriction maps for species. Phylogenetic overviews of the fungal Kingdom in general, and many important groups in detail, are also provided. This comprehensive volume also offers a list of doubtful names and insufficiently proven cases and references more than 3,400 fungal names that have appeared in the medical literature.

Clinical Practice of Medical Mycology in Asia Arunaloke Chakrabarti 2020-12-13 This book discusses the unique epidemiology of fungal infections in Asia, illustrating that the situation in these countries is different from that in Western countries in terms of the causative species, natural history and management strategies. Asia, the world's largest continent and home to more than half the global population, has conditions that favor the growth of many fungi, including a number of unique species. Further, socio-economic conditions such as overcrowding, compromised health care facilities and lack of awareness add to the morbidity and mortality due to fungal diseases in this part of the world. Since the

majority of Asian countries do not have good diagnostic mycology laboratories, antifungal management is often based on experience. The limited data from Asian countries suggest a very high incidence of fungal infections. This book addresses epidemiology of fungal infections in general and specific populations of Asia, fungal allergy, and diagnosis and management in resource-limited environments. The book is must read for busy clinicians, microbiologists and critical care providers.

Medical Mycology Chester Wilson 1900- Emmons 2021-09-09 This work has been selected by scholars as being culturally important and is part of the knowledge base of civilization as we know it. This work is in the public domain in the United States of America, and possibly other nations. Within the United States, you may freely copy and distribute this work, as no entity (individual or corporate) has a copyright on the body of the work. Scholars believe, and we concur, that this work is important enough to be preserved, reproduced, and made generally available to the public. To ensure a quality reading experience, this work has been proofread and republished using a format that seamlessly blends the original graphical elements with text in an easy-to-read typeface. We appreciate your support of the preservation process, and thank you for being an important part of keeping this knowledge alive and relevant.

Medical Mycology Martha E. Kern 1997-01-01 Each of the seven modules includes prerequisites, content outline, objectives, follow-up activities, references, and self-study examinations Teaches proper laboratory practice and presents the biology and physiology of fungi, describing the epidemiology of fungal infections, defining fungal disease states, and emphasizing laboratory identification of fungi based on body sites Test protocols and reagent recipes are highlighted in each module Information about AIDS and immunocompromised patients has been added to the pertinent disease descriptions, following the discussion of causative organisms Module 2 includes common techniques for fungal culture preservation, DNA testing for rapid identification, and antifungal therapeutics

Textbook of Medical Mycology Jagdish Chander 2017-11-30 Medical mycology refers to the study of fungi that produce disease in humans and other animals, and of the diseases they produce, their ecology, and their epidemiology. This new edition has been fully revised to provide microbiologists with the latest information on fungal infections, covering the entire spectrum of different types of infection, and therapeutic modalities. Beginning with a general overview explaining morphology, taxonomy, and diagnosis, the following sections cover the different categories of fungal infection including superficial cutaneous mycoses, subcutaneous mycoses, systemic mycoses and opportunistic mycoses. A complete section is dedicated to pseudofungal infections. The highly illustrated text concludes with a detailed appendices section and each chapter features key references for further reading. Key points Fully revised, fourth edition providing latest information on the diagnosis and management of fungal infections Covers the entire spectrum of mycoses Highly illustrated with clinical photographs and figures Previous edition (9788188039780) published in 2009

Antifungal Therapy, Second Edition Mahmoud A. Ghannoum 2020-09-30 This new edition of Antifungal Therapy aims at providing concise, practical, need-to-know information for busy physicians dealing with fungal infections, such as infectious disease physicians, transplant surgeons, dermatologists, and intensivists, as well as basic scientists and pharmaceutical company researchers interested in the state of antifungal therapy. It provides a comprehensive, up-to-date overview of the pertinent issues pertaining to antifungal treatment including the basics of clinical mycology, management insights for various infections, evidence-based treatment recommendations, and helpful tables summarizing currently available pharmacokinetics data. Key Features - Features useful information on administration, dosage and pharmacology of antifungal drugs that can be difficult to use in clinical practice - Contains common

Clinical Questions & Answers to highlight frequently encountered patient issues - Covers clinical mycology essentials in addition to antifungal treatment to create a well-rounded reference - Presents illustrations and clinical photos in full color to elucidate the concepts - Provides detailed evidence of treatment recommendations

Color Atlas of Medical Mycology Jean Delacrétaz 1976

<u>Medical Mycology</u> D. R. Arora 2019-03-30 This second edition has been throughly updated to keep pace with rapid changes in medical science. The book broadens the reader's knowledge and provides current information regarding the emerging pathogens that are being encountered. Fungal morphology, cultivation identification, pathogensis pathology and laboratory diagnosis of mycoses have been described in detail. The book is divided into seven sections: general topics, superficial cutaneous mycoses, subcutaneous mycoses, systemic mycoses, opportinities mycoses, miscellaneous mycoses, and appendices.

<u>Essentials of Clinical Mycology</u> Carol A. Kauffman 2011-01-12 Clinical Mycology offers a comprehensive review of this discipline. Organized by types of fungi, this volume covers microbiologic, epidemiologic and demographic aspects of fungal infections as well as diagnostic, clinical, therapeutic, and preventive approaches. Special patient populations are also detailed.

Fungal Infection Malcolm D. Richardson 2008-04-15 Concise, up-to-date guide to the clinical manifestations, laboratory diagnosis and management of superficial, subcutaneousand systemic fungal infections "I would recommend this book to all microbiologists and clinicians regularly dealing with patients suffering from fungalinfections." Journal of Medical Microbiology WHY BUY THIS BOOK? Thorough update of significant developments in the diagnosisand management of fungal infections Up-to-date drug and dosage recommendations updated in line withcurrent guidelines New feature: epidemiology and prevention section in each chapter plus further reading lists of key papers New feature: algorithms in each section on management and treatment of key fungal infections Problem-orientated to help clinician make best use of time-consuming laboratory investigations This title is now available for the PDA, powered by Skyscape- to buy your copy click here

<u>Progress in Mycology</u> M.K. Rai 2017-02-01 The present book is aimed to provide the readers with current trends in the field of Mycology in general and fungal biotechnology in particular. The book would be of utmost importance to students, researchers and teachers of botany, mycology, microbiology, fungal biotechnology and nanotechnology. The readers should find the book full of information and reader-friendly.

Medical Mycology in the United States Ana Victoria Espinell-Ingroff 2013-03-09 The development of medical mycology in the United States is assessed within the context of scientific progress as demonstrated by the creativity and scholarly contributions from research, technological activities, and training toward the management of fungal diseases. Although it focuses on American figures and events, it covers the origins of the discipline in Europe and Latin America. It describes historically significant scientific, technological and educational development and the narrative description is accompanied by an analysis of the causes of these and their perceived impact on the development of the discipline from the late 1880s into the 1990s. The development was conceptualised into five aras: the era of discovery, the formative years, the advent of antifungal and immunosuppressive therapies, the years of expansion and the era of transition.

Clinical Mycology Elias J. Anaissie 2003 The first textbook of mycology ever to focus on the management of patients with fungal infections, CLINICAL MYCOLOGY represents an expert, authoritative examination of clinical problem-solving approaches to diagnosis and management. It offers specific recommendations for understanding, controlling, and preventing fungal infections based on underlying principles of epidemiology and infection control policy, pathogenesis, immunology, histopathology, and laboratory diagnosis and antifungal therapy. The book also covers etiologic agents of disease, fungal infections in special hosts such as pediatric patients and patients with cancer or HIV, infections of the organ systems, and more. Extensive illustrations, tables, and photographs throughout the book highlight its clinical context and enhance the reader's understanding of the subject. Complete and authoritative, yet practical, discussion makes this book an ideal one-stop source for diagnosis, management, and prevention of fungal infections. Editors and authors are recognized experts in their field, offering consistently high standard-of-care approaches. Excellent photographs and drawings illustrate specific concepts and conditions. Tables present summaries of key points to help the reader quickly access information on a subject. Clear, definitive recommendations for diagnosis and management of fungal infections are outlined and related to clinical practice.

Medical Mycology John Willard Rippon 1988

Gram Stain Subhash K. Mohan 2009-07-01 NEWLY PUBLISHED TRUE STORY: THE ELEPHANT HOTEL, HEDWIG & THE TAGEBUCH By: Marie Kobres Bone Immerse yourself in another time and place with the personal unique pages of this beautiful true story - step back in time with the 1877 TAGEBUCH (Journal) kept by Nurse Maria Kinski Pfeil, inherited by 10 year old daughter Hedwig after Maria's sudden death in 1899 . Follow 12 year old Hedwig to Atlantic City, NJ. when forced to leave her father's home in Philadelphia because of a stepmother. Hedwig applied for job with room and board at Gertzen's Elephant Hotel - hired as child's nurse for the Gertzen's infant daughter. In front of Hotel stands the tourist attraction - the "Elephant Building", built in the shape of a mammoth elephant. Hedwig taught to conduct sightseeing tours through this unusual building -- today holds distinction of being first and youngest tour guide of this famous attraction. - 1906 Hedwig met her future husband when he took the elephant building tour. - Take the the Elephant building tour with Hedwig .- travel to Germany with her - follow as she puts bits and pieces of her young life together by reading excerpts in her mother's Tagebuch - learns parts of her early life she barely knew. 85 years after Hedwig left the Elephant Hotel the Elephant building is now on National Historical Registry in Atlantic City, N. J. - Hedwig's 90 year old daughter, Marie Kobres Bone author of this true, interesting Historical Biography is fast becoming a best seller - Born in Richmond VA, a freelance writer living in Suburban Atlanta with husband Doyal. Hobbies include travel, Civil War Relic hunting & Art. author of freelance magazine and newspaper articles- and novels - Knit-One-Purl-Two; Many Trees; Richard & Hedwig; and the Oracle of Hermes.

The Fifth Kingdom Bryce Kendrick 2000-01-01 The Fifth Kingdom is a basic text in mycology. It surveys the world of mycology through classification, physiology and genetics, and discusses applications of mycology in the modern world, from brewing and baking to health, medicine and disease.

Medical Mycology Chester Wilson Emmons 1963

Clinical Mycology William E. Dismukes 2003 Within the field of infectious diseases, medical mycology has experienced significant growth over the last decade. Invasive fungal infections have been increasing in many patient populations, including: those with AIDS; transplant recipients; and the elderly. As these populations grow, so does the diversity of fungal pathogens. Paralleling this development, there have been recent launches of several new antifungal drugs and therapies. Clinical Mycology offers a

comprehensive review of this discipline. Organized by types of fungi, this volume covers microbiologic, epidemiologic and demographic aspects of fungal infections as well as diagnostic, clinical, therapeutic, and preventive approaches. Special patient populations are also detailed.

Larone's Medically Important Fungi Thomas J. Walsh 2020-07-02 The definitive guide for identifying fungi from clinical specimens Medically Important Fungi will expand your knowledge and support your work by: Providing detailed descriptions of the major mycoses as viewed in patients' specimens by direct microscopic examination of stained slides Offering a logical step-by-step process for identification of cultured organisms, utilizing detailed descriptions, images, pointers on organisms' similarities and distinctions, and selected references for further information Covering nearly 150 of the fungi most commonly encountered in the clinical mycology laboratory Presenting details on each organism's pathogenicity, growth characteristics, relevant biochemical reactions, and microscopic morphology, illustrated with photomicrographs, Dr. Larone's unique and elegant drawings, and color photos of colony morphology and various test results Explaining the current changes in fungal taxonomy and nomenclature that are due to information acquired through molecular taxonomic studies of evolutionary fungal relationships Providing basic information on molecular diagnostic methods, e.g., PCR amplification, nucleic acid sequencing, MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry, and other commercial platforms including an extensive section of easy-to-follow lab protocols, a comprehensive list of media and stain procedures, guidance on collection and preparation of patient specimens, and an illustrated glossary With Larone's Medically Important Fungi: A Guide to Identification, both novices and experienced professionals in clinical microbiology laboratories can continue to confidently identify commonly encountered fungi.

Medical Parasitology Ruth Leventhal 2019-10-28 Rely on this concise, systematic introduction to the biology and epidemiology of human parasitic diseases. Explore an extensive series of photographs, line drawings, and plates that aid in the recognition of medically-relevant parasites and help to build a solid understanding of the fundamentals of diagnosis and treatment.

<u>Fundamentals of Diagnostic Mycology</u> Frances W. Fisher 1998 Fundamentals of Diagnostic Mycology is a unique resource dedicated exclusively to isolating medically important and commonly encountered fungi in clinical laboratory specimens. Whether in the classroom or the laboratory, it's the ideal resource for mastering the skills you need to recognize fungi and the infections that they cause. Detailed line drawings and photomicrographs depict typical and atypical examples of the fungus as it is likely to be seen in routine laboratory preparations, with explanations of identifying features. Plus, scale drawings show the relative size of different fungi.

Medical Microbiology Illustrated S. H. Gillespie 2014-06-28 Medical Microbiology Illustrated presents a detailed description of epidemiology, and the biology of micro-organisms. It discusses the pathogenicity and virulence of microbial agents. It addresses the intrinsic susceptibility or immunity to antimicrobial agents. Some of the topics covered in the book are the types of gram-positive cocci; diverse group of aerobic gram-positive bacilli; classification and clinical importance of erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae; pathogenesis of mycobacterial infection; classification of parasitic infections which manifest with fever; collection of blood for culture and control of substances hazardous to health. The classification and clinical importance of neisseriaceae is fully covered. The definition and pathogenicity of haemophilus are discussed in detail. The text describes in depth the classification and clinical importance of spiral bacteria. The isolation and identification of fungi are completely presented. A chapter is devoted to the laboratory and serological diagnosis of systemic fungal infections. The book can provide useful information to microbiologists, physicians, laboratory scientists, students, and researchers.

The Fungi Michael I. Carlile 2001-01-23 The Fungi provides a comprehensive microbiological perspective on the importance of fungi, one of the most diverse groups of living organisms. Their roles in the natural world and in practical applications from the preparation of foods and beverages to drug production, and their relationship with man, animals and plants are clearly described. The recent contributions of molecular biology to mycology and the development of molecular methods for the study of fungal ecology, pathology and population genetics are also covered. This invaluable work has been completely revised and updated. With new material relating to molecular biology, this new and highly successful title continues to be essential reading for students and researchers. New to the second edition: Modern classification Medical and veterinary mycology section Organelles and processes involved in hyphal growth Molecular methods in ecology and pathology Production of new drugs of fungal origin Question and answer sections Colour plate section Praise for the first edition: "An enjoyable way to survey the subject of modern mycology. We are fortunate to have this excellent textbook." -- MYCOLOGIA "The text is beautifully written and an understanding and enthusiasm for this important group of organisms comes through on every page." -- TRENDS IN MICROBIOLOGY "This will improve undergraduate learning and promote a more integrated understanding of fungal biology. I will certainly use it in my teaching and am sure many others will do likewise." -- NEW PHYTOLOGIST "The coverage is extensive and informative. I am very pleased to recommend this book to those who want to know and understand fungi." --BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION