

## BOOK REVIEW

*Pathology of Vascular Skin Lesions: Clinicopathologic Correlations* by Omar P. Sangüeza and Luis Requena. 319 pages. ISBN 1-58829-182-0. Hardcover. Price \$159.50. Humana Press Totowa, New Jersey, USA.

The book starts with a description of the skin vasculature, special staining techniques and a new classification of the vascular lesions in seven different groups. 1. Hamartomas, either vascular abnormalities + melanocytic naevi or proliferation of eccrine glands. 2. Cutaneous vascular malformations. 3. Dilation of pre-existing vessels. 4. Hyperplasias such as pyogenic granuloma and angiolymphoid hypoplasia with eosinophilia. 5. Benign neoplasms. 6. Malignant neoplasms such as angiosarcomas. 7. Cutaneous neoplasms with a significant vascular component such as angiomyxoma, angioleiomyoma, angioliipoma and angiofibroma.

A total of 70 different vascular skin lesions are illustrated with clinical and histopathological pictures in black and white. Colour versions of all the illustrations are given in an accompanying CD-ROM. Each of the disorders is described with clinical features, histopathological characteristics, treatment possibilities and ends with 10 to 132 references up to the year 2002. The book has an index of 9 pages and is of special interest to dermatologists and pathologists, providing as it does good information on both common and rare disorders.

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