

### **Principles of dermatology, 6th edition**

James G. Marks, Jr, and Jeffrey J. Miller, 2017, Elsevier. \$84.99. ISBN: 9780323430401. 336 pages.

*Principles of dermatology* is an excellent introductory guide for those hoping to establish a strong foundation in dermatology. This 336-page book is well organized into 8 sections with focus on neoplasms, inflammatory disorders with epidermal involvement, and inflammatory disorders with dermal involvement. Marks and Miller provide a unique approach to dermatologic diagnosis by focusing on the primary skin process rather than the etiology. This is facilitated by the visuals on every page, including illustrations, diagrams, and photographs. The colorful illustrations are by far my favorite part of

this text because they provide a guide to where the pathology is within the skin. The 6th Edition includes more color illustrations and differentials than previous editions as well as an updated discussion of first-line and alternative treatments. For those who learn best via screen-time, the eBook version of this text is available at no additional charge. This is a useful guide to anyone starting out in dermatology, including students, residents, and mid-levels.

As a postgraduate year 4 resident in my last year of residency, I thoroughly enjoyed reading through this guide and am humbled by how much I have learned.

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