

## Book Reviews

**HISTOLOGICAL TYPING OF INTESTINAL TUMOURS** by B. G. Morson in collaboration with L. H. Sobin and other pathologists 1976. W.H.O. Geneva. pp. 137, 134 colour plates. US\$32.00. Available through W.H.O. Representative, Room 1004, Fitzpatrick Building, Jalan Raja Chulan, Kuala Lumpur.

This publication is the 15th of the series dealing with the International Histological Classification of Tumours. These volumes are not intended to serve as text books but rather to promote the adoption of a uniform terminology that will facilitate communication among scientists working in the field of cancer and stimulate comparative studies on the incidence of various tumours, their natural history and response to treatment.

The classification is based primarily on the microscopic characteristics of the tumours and is therefore concerned with morphologically identifiable cell types and histological patterns as seen with conventional light microscopy.

This publication is a must to all those reporting and interpreting histopathological findings of intestinal tumours.

**PRACTICAL OPHTHALMOLOGIST 1966/77** by Arthur Lim Siew Ming and Khoo Chong Yew. Published by P. G. Medical Books, Singapore 1976 pp. 251. 194 illustrations, 11 in colour.

This volume deals with the operating microscope and anterior segment surgery. Twenty-two authorities have contributed to this issue and emphasises basic techniques in the use of the operating microscope. It is pointed out that despite the fact that the operating microscope significantly improves the quality of ophthalmic surgery, only 30% of the ophthalmic surgeons in developed countries and less than 10% in developing countries are using it.

The book is divided into four parts namely Pt. I The Operating Microscope, Pt. II Corneal Grafts, Pt. III Glaucoma surgery, Pt. IV Cataract Surgery. Emphasis is placed on the work of leading Asian Ophthalmologists and the individual style of the contributors is retained.

This elegant volume is lavishly illustrated and its contents very practical. It maintains the high standard set by its predecessor, *The Practical Ophthalmologist* (1974).

Every ophthalmologist should have these volumes on their book shelves.