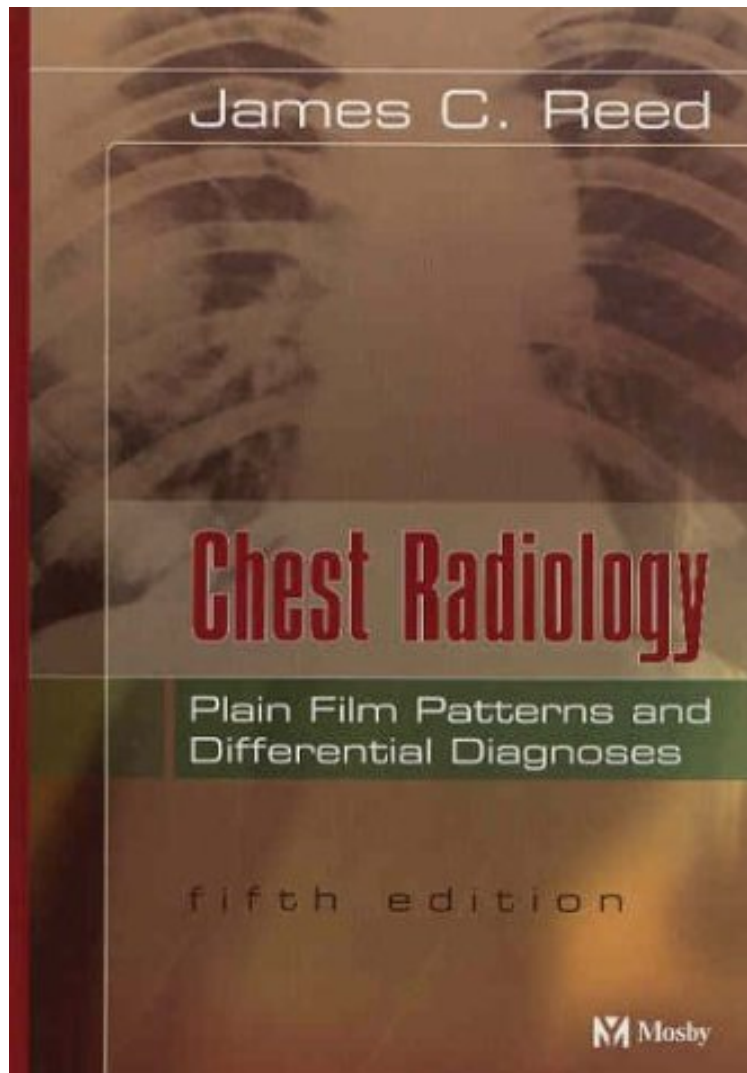



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not much different from "coarse reticular opacities." While it is convenient that the book is rather small in dimension, the images are likewise small, too small. This book succeeds in explaining how to differentiate rather nonspecific findings in chest radiography (a major plus). It falls short in reproducing those findings visually. You can't do that in radiology.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Awesome CXR bookBy Andrew Calderonrecommended by a preceptor. I too, recommend this book1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Great bookBy R. GidwaniThis is a great book. I was expecting a dull radiology text, but this book is interactive and interesting in which Dr. Reed starts the chapter with images and questions then spends the remainder of the chapter answering them/ illustrating a point. Also, the book aims at pattern recognition and what the patterns mean rather than suggesting specific diagnosis.

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