This book focuses on medical rather than surgical dermatology. Highly illustrated and in full colour, it covers the common skin conditions seen in all branches of medicine, the cutaneous signs of systemic disease, and the art of making a diagnosis. The problem-based approach and the pocket-size make the book an invaluable bedside tool. Readers are led through the necessary steps in order to reach a diagnosis at the bedside.

Chronic skin diseases are disabling and embarrassing.

This handbook promotes a patient-centred approach and good communication, and clinicians are encouraged to use simple quality of life measure to evaluate the impact of skin conditions on the patient.