

ON NOTABLE BOOKS IN OUR HISTORY



From 1961, when the last edition of Botteri's textbook in internal medicine was published, until the 1990s, when the first edition of Internal Medicine (1991) by Božidar Vrhovac and coworkers appeared, a number of handbooks were published to practically make up for the lack of a large textbook in internal medicine. Our physicians and professors of internal medicine collected their lectures in internal medicine

held for students as well as those intended for residents, and published them in the book entitled Selected Lectures in Internal Medicine (*Odabrana poglavlja iz interne medicine*), which appeared in 1978 with Professor Mladen Sekso as Editor-in-Chief and Editorial Board consisting of Professors Ljubo Barić, Tomislav Čabrijan, Mijo Rudar, Slavko Samoščanec and Heinz Frahm. The book was published by University Department of Medicine, Dr. Mladen Stojanović Clinical Hospital, i.e. our Hospital. The following topics were covered: cardiology, nephrology, hematology and endocrinology. In his preface, Professor Mladen Sekso as Editor-in-Chief emphasized two issues: contribution by all authors, Professor Ljubomir Barić in particular, and especially the great part invested by Professor Heinz Frahm, Director of the 2nd Medical University Hospital Hamburg-Eppendorf, who wrote, together with our physicians, the chapter on emergency conditions in some endocrine diseases, thus confirming his personal and his Hospital collaboration with our University Department of Medicine. Today, this book has a historical value, revealing the way of working, lecturing and reasoning in the 1970s and 1980s, and how good it is to think practically, to be self-reliant, to write and to cherish serious clinical work in the field of internal medicine.

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