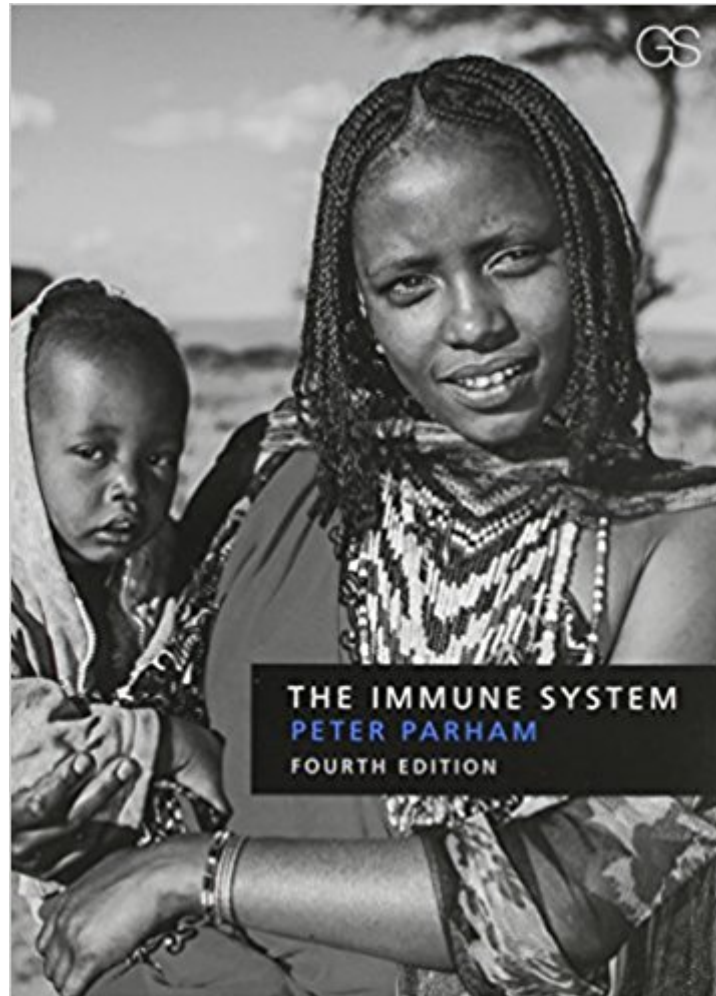




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The immune system is a favorite topic of mine. Almost everything which happens to our bodies involves the immune system. So I was very interested in a book which is on a very professional level with current information and excellent writing style. Also I feel that educational graphics are especially important to drive home the information. This book passed all my criteria with flying colors. I really enjoyed studying it and have now read it twice (there's way too much information there to absorb on just one reading!). Almost every process in the human body involves the immune system and learning to minimize inflammation is a huge leg up on feeling good! Everything from sore muscles and joints, strep throat, healing, migraine, every disease known to man, sunburn, and on and on involve inflammation. Learning the mechanisms of inflammation and immunity and how to quiet inflammation and bolster immunity REALLY adds to ones health. I highly recommend this superb book as a way to learn how to baby ones body!

This is a very good textbook. The publisher, Garland sciences, is one that I trust because they have always done a very good job with their science textbooks (check out *Molecular Biology of the Cell*, *The Biology of Cancer*, and others). Continuing along this trend, Peter Parham's book does not disappoint. The figures are cartoonish in most instances of course, much like the ones in *MBOC* and other Garland books, but they have to be that way and it does help very much with understanding; this is mixed appropriately with real histological cross sections and figures from the clinical setting to give a more realistic idea of what things look like. To a scientist who does/participates in research with a partial or minor immunological context, or needs to learn selected topics in immunology for

future research, this text is the perfect companion. For a seasoned immunologist who does pure research in the field, a better choice would probably be the more detailed and in-depth Immunobiology by Janeway, from which Parham's text is adapted if I'm not mistaken.

Of all the textbooks I've purchased throughout my academic career, this is by-far the best. The illustrations are fundamental and provide such a detailed description that makes it easy to understand. My only criticism, if I had to give one, is that the book seems to be organized awkwardly. It will start off with a detailed summary of the chapter, but then breakdown each idea. It also does not give good "refresher" information. It had been awhile since my A&P course, so my knowledge of the immune system was lacking. The text seems to just jump right into the topic without a chapter that reminds you about things like the difference between CD4 and CD8 T Cells, what's the difference between a basophil and mast cell, etc. Other than that, this was my favorite text throughout my academic career.

I loved this book! I am so sad that I only rented it for school. I have learned so much about the Immune system. Usually I find text books to be boring and very hard on the eyes. I don't even like the cover of the book but the inside is well done. :)

Great textbook and detailed in a way that it is easy to read.

Great book for anybody studying Immunology! Has nice diagrams and explanations. Of course you can get the older versions and save money but still not bad for the price.

This book is the best among all books for immunology, my personal opinion of course. However, the diagrams and figures are so helpful. Break down the difficult concepts to understandable pieces and is very clear. Got the older version as well.

I had this for a class. I really enjoyed the class and found the book to be quite clear. The only bit I found confusing was how B cell and T cell development were in separate chapters but IRL they happen simultaneously and the class expected us to know that, so I had to flip back and forth while studying.

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