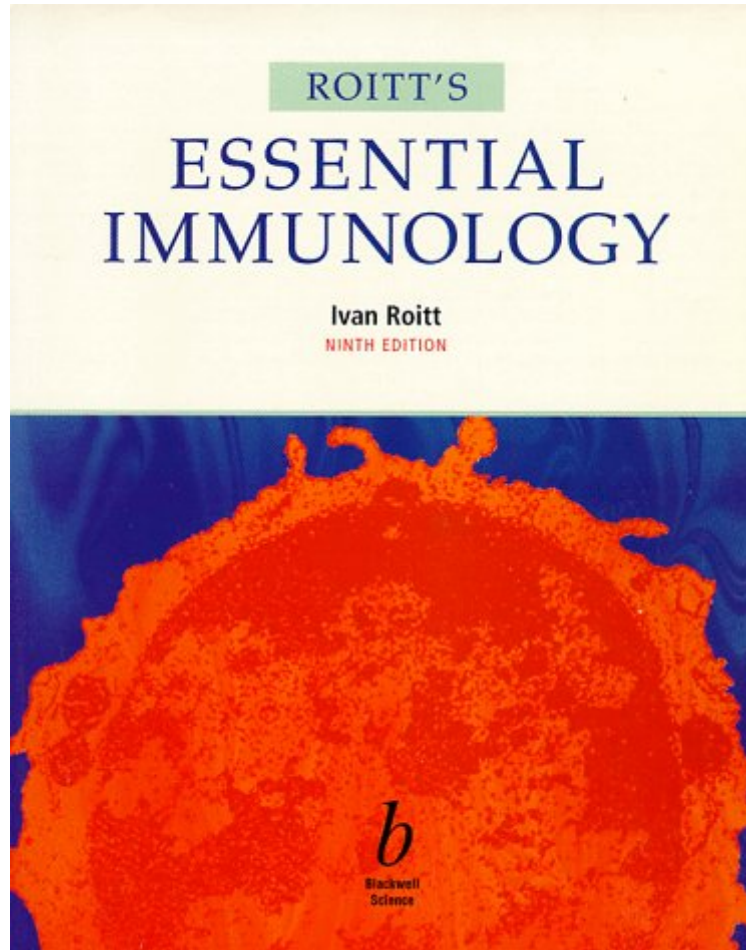


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This highly readable text remains 'the best of the immunology primers'. It is lavishly illustrated in full colour to make the illustrations even easier to understand. The book also contains suggestions for further reading, a detailed glossary of terms and abbreviations, and menus of contents that begin each chapter. A supporting web site at [www.roitt.com](http://www.roitt.com) contains self-assessment questions and answers combined with other useful lecture resources such as updates, further reading and image archive. The text has been extensively updated by Ivan Roitt with the help of a new co-author and outstanding teacher of Immunology, Peter Delves from UCL

New England Journal of Medicine: the real strength [of Essential Immunology] is its single author; [Professor Roitt]

has the ability to grasp and explain the larger concepts of an often very confusing field, while not at all neglecting the myriad facts that give these concepts substance and weight. Thus, we are treated to lucid and always up-to-date discussions of immunologic tolerance, idiotypy, autoimmunity and immune regulation, all presented in a way that allows readers to see both the inter-relations among these processes and their application to host defenses and human disease. To this essential quality one can add two others: a writing style that is simple, inventive and even at times playful, and masterful illustrations, either well-chosen pictures of real cells and tissues or well thought out diagrams that clearly illustrate functional interactions between cells and factors of immunologic interest. Overall, *Essential Immunology* is the best of the immunology primers, it clearly outdistances other textbooks in the area by its scope, its organisation, its clarity and its ability to convey a carefully balanced and up-to-date view of immunology. The medical student who first comes on the mysteries of immunology here, as well as the seasoned immunologist, will find it an adventure and a joy to read.; *British Medical Journal*: Medical practitioners of all ages find Ivan Roitt's book a lifeline to prevent drowning in an ocean of immunological jargon.

From the Back Cover This ninth edition of *Essential Immunology* has been revised and revamped with the addition of full colour diagrams and photographs. Summaries at the end of each chapter will be boxed to make them more user-friendly. The ninth edition will delineate basic from advanced text by using a colour tint behind the more detailed information. In this way, the student will be able to tailor their reading to the situation. The ninth edition has updated sections on:

- \* cellular signalling in the immune system
- \* hormonal regulation of the immune system
- \* positive suppression of the hypersensitive response
- \* mucosal immunity
- \* the roles of TH1 and TH2 cells
- \* epitope specific vaccination