

REVIEWS IN

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- Advanced prostate cancer
- Androgen replacement and infertility
- Benign prostatic hyperplasia
- Benign prostatic diseases and sexual dysfunction
- Bladder cancer
- Endourology
- Erectile dysfunction
- Female urology
- Genitourinary cancers
- Incontinence
- Kidney cancer
- Kidney stones and disease
- Localized prostate cancer
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- Prostatitis

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- Title page
- Illustrations and captions
- Copyright transmittal
- Acknowledgments and permissions
- Abstract and key words
- References
- Tables
- Main Points

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- **Journal articles**

Chancellor MB, Sathyan G, Gupta SK. Effect of ketoconazole on the pharmacokinetics of oxybutynin: comparison between Ditropan XL and conventional oxybutynin. *Neurourol Urodyn*. 1999; 18:378-379.

- **Books**

Rogers FP. *Fundamentals of Surgical Infection*. 3rd ed. St Louis: CV Mosby; 1978:383-395.

- **Chapters in books**

Frank RR. Precancerous events in the human spleen. In: Arthur GV, ed. *Liver and Disease*. New York: Appleton-Century-Crofts; 1979:131-134.

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