



Carcinoid Tumor: A Guide to Diagnosis and Treatment

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Purpose Of This Book:

To provide a concise, referenced pocket guide to the diagnosis and treatment of carcinoid tumor with the aim of preventing its misdiagnosis and allowing for earlier diagnosis and appropriate treatment. Carcinoid tumor is an endocrine-secreting cancer that is rare and often thought to be benign. This disease, however, can be highly malignant. Carcinoid cancer is frequently not detected until at an advanced stage, at which point symptoms are usually relatively nonspecific, including flushing and diarrhea. This guide to the diagnosis and treatment of carcinoid tumor and malignant carcinoid syndrome includes salient information on pathophysiology, diagnostic and prognostic measures, and therapeutic options in a readily usable format for practicing physicians.

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