In Part III, entitled Regional Blood Flow Regulation, are 11 of the 25 papers which comprise the book. In a sense it is an elaboration from a more physiological aspect of Part I. This is introduced by a scholarly résumé of afferent pathways of cardiovascular reflexes by D. Whitteridge, and a related account of reflex reactions evoked from lung receptors by G. S. Dawes. Following these are articles dealing with the regulation of blood flow in the aorta and coronaries, lungs, extremities, skin, kidney, ovaries and uterus, stomach and liver. Part IV contains four papers relating to the Interaction of General and Visceral Circulations. A highlight of this section is G. M. Bull's challenging consideration of possible mechanisms by which renal regulation of total body water is effected.

Although some of the papers in this volume are little more than summaries and others are highly speculative, the majority are of excellent quality, enhanced by the inclusion of carefully selected figures and references. Discussions are maintained at a high caliber throughout the book and provide much stimulating material for the thoughtful reader. Considered as a whole, Visceral Circulation constitutes a valuable and fascinating contribution to the current literature on the circulation. It leaves the reader with an acute awareness of the tremendous scope and complexity of the subject and an admiration for the worthy efforts of the investigators represented between its covers.

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