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This year's volume has a large renal content with papers on platelets in glomerular disease, CAPD, diet and renal failure, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, focal glomerulosclerosis and renovascular hypertension.

As always, cardiology is well represented with contributions on restrictive cardiomyopathy, prognosis after myocardial infarction, cardiac adrenergic receptors, calcium blockers, cardiac arrhythmias and

high blood pressure in children, and interventional coronary arteriography.

Other titles that caught the eye were lactic acidosis, respiratory muscle fatigue, autonomic regulation of the airways and various immunological topics.

Although one wonders about the usefulness of articles such as osteochondral allografts and lens implantation, the Annual Review of Medicine continues to provide authoritative and up to date reviews for the general physician in a wide range of topics – 44 in all this time – at, even with the falling pound, a very reasonable cost.

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