BOOK REVIEW

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A Review of Forensic Toxicology: Proceedings of the 25th International Meeting of the International Association of Forensic Toxicologists


The theme of the 25th International Meeting of the International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT) was “Interpretation of Analytical Results.” A number of the 52 papers included in these proceedings do address themselves to this topic and provide much useful information. Most of the other articles cover either general or specific analytical techniques: immunoassay and gas chromatography/mass spectrometry are equally well represented, and there appears to be more emphasis on high-performance liquid chromatography methods than in past TIAFT proceedings. The preface by the editors provides a welcome overview, and a delightful commentary by Dr. V. Spiehler presents a more personalized profile of the attendees, their scientific interests, and the social functions included in the program.

Every forensic toxicologist will find something of interest in this volume and will want to have ready access to a copy for future reference.

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