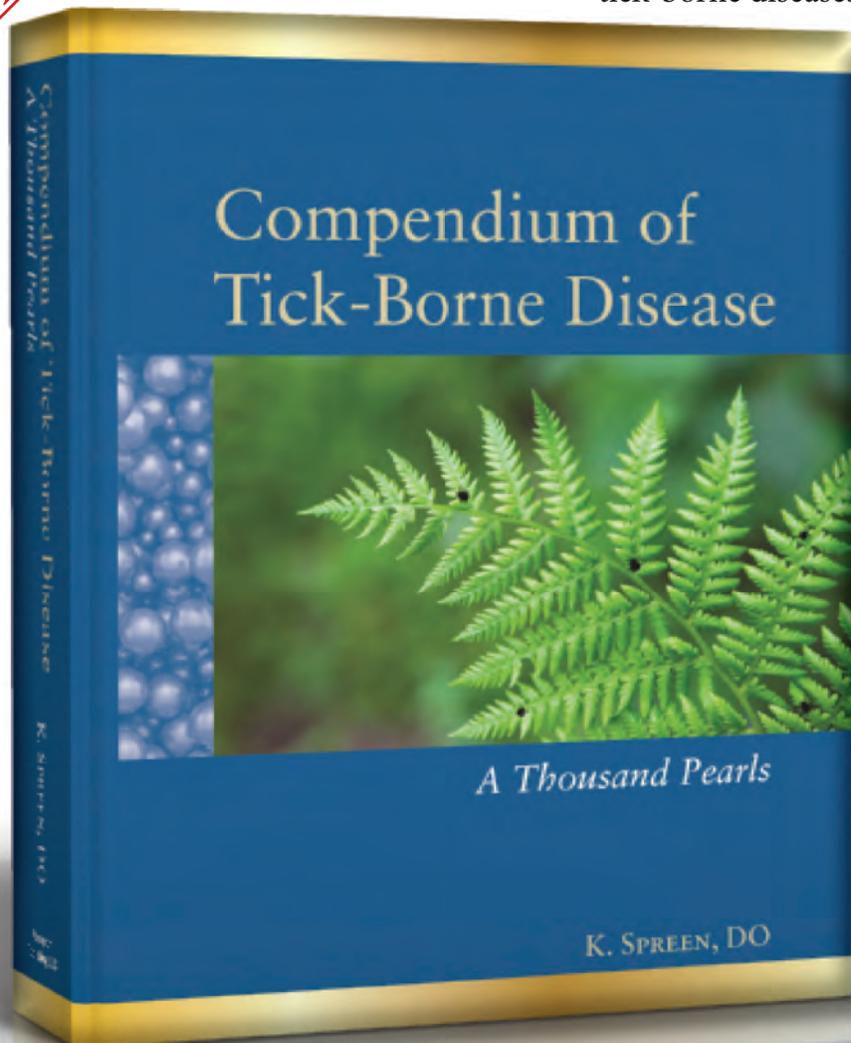


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- Gentle Immunology
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- Ehrlichiosis/Anaplasmosis
- Bartonellosis
- Mycoplasma fermentans
- Borreliosis
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- Review of Systems
- Physical Examination
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- Making the Diagnosis
- Differential Diagnosis
- Concurrent Disease
- Treatment Options
- Understanding Medicines
- Antimicrobials
- Ancillary Treatments
- Alternative Treatments
- Supportive Measures
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- Special Populations
- A Balanced Life
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~ e Lyme section includes: pathophysiology, concepts of resistance and persistence, autoimmunity, molecular mimicry, antineuronal antibodies, clinical course, signs and symptoms, comprehensive sample forms for history and physical, review of systems, making the diagnosis, multiple treatment approaches, combination therapy, flexible and open-ended use of antibiotics, success stories, and strategies to overcome intractable cases. Various options are outlined and explained.

Readers who have previewed the book include physicians, patients and their families, as well as caregivers. ~ ey have all been overwhelmingly positive and requesting copies.

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