

An Atlas of Radiography for Sports Injuries

When Sydney won the right to host the 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Games, planning for these events included the development of a medical imaging service. The main function of this service was to be part of a team, managing the injuries of the athletes. One hundred radiographers and radiologists, with 27 support staff—nursing staff, porters and typists—generously volunteered their time and expertise to operate the imaging facility over the 60-day period of both Games.

As training of this team was being planned, the need for a book dedicated to radiography for sporting injuries became obvious. Thus *An Atlas of Radiography for Sports Injuries* includes discussion of the views that are essential in a routine series and how they are best obtained, then describes those injuries that require extra views to complete a comprehensive examination. The subject is approached from a clinical perspective which, in practice, is the basis on which the appropriate examination and views should be selected.

Although the subject is technical, the Atlas is a concise, easy-to-read text, generously illustrated with high quality images. The saying that 'a picture is worth a thousand words' is extremely true in radiography, when knowing what a view looks like makes obtaining that view much easier.

This Atlas is written primarily for radiographers but will also be valuable for the physiotherapist and sports clinician when choosing the appropriate examination and asking for specific views. It will enable them to assess whether the examination that has been performed is sufficient to exclude specific injuries.

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