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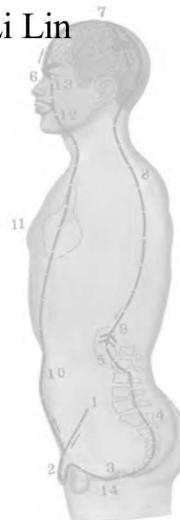
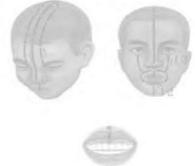
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Summary



This book is written by the experts in acupuncture basing on the national standards of the Locations of Acupoints and the new century textbook of high institutions of Chinese medicine. There are four parts in the book: the first part is the introduction which explains the meaning and classification of acupoints, the location method of acupoints and the name, distribution and the indications of the fourteen meridians. The second and third parts are the 400 acupoints around the body including the locations, the acupuncture and moxibustion methods and the attentions. The fourth part is the map of distributions of the fourteen meridians and some important acupoints. In the appendix, there is the explanation of common nouns on traditional Chinese medicine. This book is illustrated with pictures, focusing on the important acupoints, convenient to take along and easy to understanding, so it is a practical reference book. It is good for the teachers and students in the traditional Chinese medicine, acupuncturists and those who are interested in traditional Chinese medicine and acupuncture.

Preface



The acupuncture in China makes a great contribution to the people's health and Chinese culture owing to its special theory system, wonderful clinical experience and significant effect. During these years, more and more foreigners are studying acupuncture, but they have big problem because of the language which restricts the popularization of acupuncture. So a monograph on acupoints which is professional and in precise translation, ***Manual of Meridians and Acupoints in Standard***, is written especially for the foreign people to study acupuncture.

This book is written by the experts in acupuncture with the basis on the ***Name and Location of Acupoints*** published in 2006 by Standardization Administration of China and the new century textbook of high institutions of Chinese medicine. There are four parts in this book. The first part is the introduction to the meaning and classification of acupoints, locating methods, and distributions and indications of the fourteen meridians. The second and third parts are the 361 Jing-meridian acupoints and 48 extraordinary ones. They are explained in location, needling and moxibustion methods, indications and common compatibility. The fourth part is the distribution map of the fourteen meridians and some important acupoints. In the appendix, there is the explanation of common terms on traditional Chinese medicine for good understanding of the readers.

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Introduction to Acupoints



Meaning and Classification of Acupoints

Generally acupoints can be divided into three categories: acupoints of the fourteen meridians, extra points and Ashi points.

Acupoints of the fourteen meridians also known as the “regular points”, they belong to the twelve regular channels, the Du and the Ren channels. As the major part of acupoints, they have their fixed names, locations and pertaining channels. These points have common effects in treating the diseases of their corresponding meridians.

Extra points also named extraordinary points, they are with regular names, and definite locations, but are not attributed to the fourteen meridians. The indications of these points are simple. Most of them are especially effective in the treatment of certain diseases. For example, Bailao can treat scrofula. Sifeng can treat child malnutrition stagnation.

Ashi points also named reflexing points, confixed points or tender spots. These points have no specific names and definite locations. The tender spots and other sensitive spots are places for needling and moxibustion. Ashi points are located mainly in the affected area, sometimes in the distal area. The name of Ashi was originally discovered in the book *Prescriptions Worth a Thousand Gold for Emergency* by Sun Simiao.



Location of Acupoints

The method of locating acupoints is also known as “acupoints measurement”.

What is remarkable about the therapeutic results is the accuracy of locations of acupoints. In order to locate acupoints accurately, the acupuncturist must grasp the methods of locating acupoints. The methods of locating acupoints are divided into the following four categories.

Anatomical Landmarks It is the method of locating acupoints basing on the body surface landmarks of human anatomy, also named as natural landmarks. the details are as follows.

(1) Fixed Landmarks: Fixed landmarks are those parts formed by eminence or depression of bone joints and muscles, the contour of five sense organs, hairline, nails, nipple and umbilicus. We can locate acupoints basing on these landmarks. For instance, Suliao is on the tip of the nose, Tanzhong is at the midpoint between the two nipples. Tianshu is 2cun to the umbilicus. Yanglingquan is in the depression anterior and inferior to the head of the fibula. Dazhui is below the spinous process of the seventh cervical vertebra where is the highest place when you bow your head. Jugu is in the depression between the acromial extremity of the clavicle and scapular spine. Zhongting is at the connection of the lower portion of sternum with the cartilage costalis. In addition, scapular spine and the third spinous process of thoracic vertebra are at the same level, the inferior angle of scapula and the seventh spinous process of thoracic vertebra are at the same level, the creast of ilium and the fourth lumbar vertebra are at the same level. All of those can be regarded as the landmarks of locating the acupoints at the back and low back.

(2) Movable Landmarks: It refers to spaces, depression, wrinkles that appear while the joints, muscles, skin and others move voluntarily. For instance, Ermén, Tinggōng, Tinghūi are located when you open your mouth. Xiaguan is located when you close your mouth. Others, Quchi is located at the lateral end of the transverse cubital crease, in the depression formed when elbow is bending. Jianyu is located in the depression of the anterior superior portion of the shoulder when the arm is abducted forward. Yangxi is in the depression between the tendons of m. extensor pollicis longus and brevis when the thumb is pointed upwards. Yanglao is in the depression on the radial side of the styloid process of the ulna when you sit and bend your elbow making the centre of your palm face to your chest.

Bone-length Measurement This, also known as proportional measurement, is a method of locating acupoints in which the bone segments are taken as measurement markers to measure the width or length of various portions of the body, and then, the