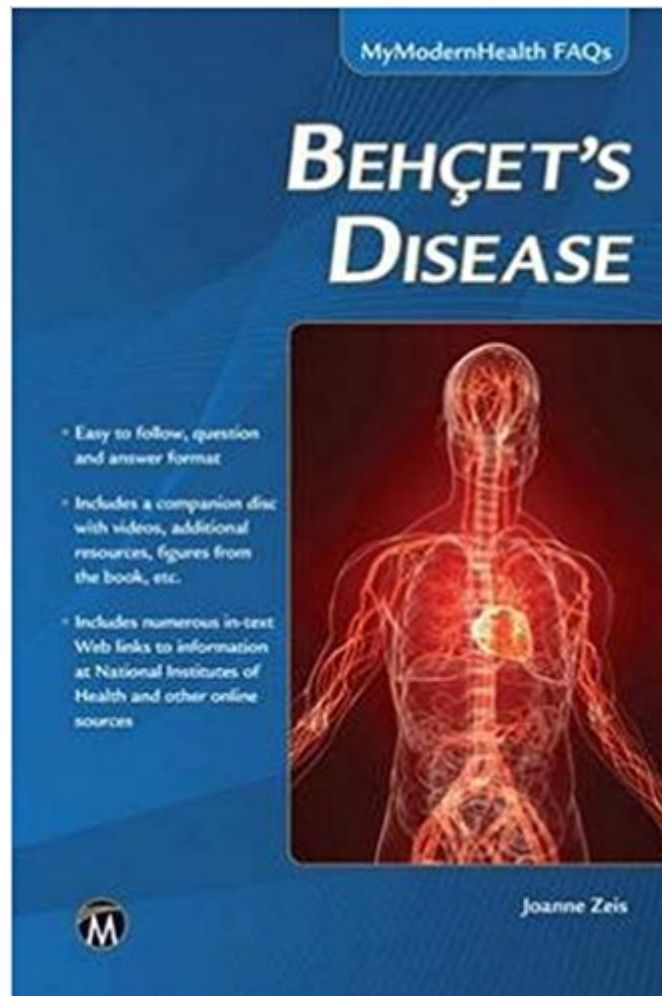




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Synopsis

Behçet's disease is a rare, vascular autoinflammatory illness that is little understood. Using a question-and-answer format – along with illustrations and photographs – this book gives easy-to-understand explanations of common patient concerns. Detailed information is provided on causes, symptoms, complications, and treatments for Behçet's disease. Physicians in training and/or new to the field of Behçet's will find that included material is referenced and evidence-based, and that the book has been reviewed in advance of publication by clinicians noted in the research and treatment of Behçet's. This book includes numerous in-text Web links to relevant information at the National Institutes of Health and other online sources. The companion disc includes informational resources and illustrations to help you better understand all of the material from the book; there are also links to international Behçet's patient organizations and to free public-access medical journal articles about Behçet's.

FEATURES:

- *Includes information on Behçet's disease in the United States and Western European countries – areas not often covered in depth in other publications
- *Provides descriptions of diagnostic features of Behçet's disease
- *Provides information on anti-TNF (and other) medications currently in use and some orphan drug treatments under development
- *Includes a companion disc with figures, photographs, and Web links to references in the text and other sources of information

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Once again, Joanne Zeis has created an invaluable resource for patients with Behcet's Disease (BD), their loved ones, and their health care professionals. The information is accessible to a wide audience, with medical terminology and layperson explanations integrated seamlessly. The content is thoughtfully presented, with online resources and an accompanying CD for additional info. The paperback layout includes colorful diagrams, larger font, and tables with background shading, which should be very helpful to BD patients with eye involvement. The Kindle version makes it easy to copy-paste the website links, so I bought it too! Initially I wasn't so sure about the question-answer format, but I've found it to be much more impactful than the standard textbook-style presentation. I typically begin by flipping to the appendix for specific concerns, and then find myself reading page after page beyond... and discovering important questions that I never thought to ask. Keep your notepad handy while reading this one! Published research articles for clinical studies can be difficult to digest (and expensive to acquire), making a compilation like this a true gem. Joanne cites the published work and helps the reader decipher: What does this mean for me? As advertised, this is a great companion to the 2003 book "Essential Guide to Behcet's Disease," also by Joanne. I am especially pleased to see the statistics for BD in the US and the updated information on current treatment options. But this is more than just a book of medical findings. It's also a great starting point for learning about other critical aspects of living with chronic disease, such as doctor-patient communication, disability benefits, and financial assistance for medications and medical-related travel.

This book is a brilliant example of how to be concise yet thorough. It covers all the main symptoms of the disease and is presented in an easy-to-follow, question-and-answer format. The contents section at the front of the book is very well organized, so it's easy to find what you're looking for. Not only does it list the main topic presented in each chapter, it also lists the questions addressed within each chapter. (There is also a great index section at the back of the book.) There is a thorough list of references at the end of each chapter, which I really like. There are numerous in-text web links to information at National Institutes of Health and other online sources, which is great for anyone who wants to delve further into any given topic. A perfect accompaniment to Joanne Zeis's "Essential Guide to Behcet's Disease," this book provides extensive up-to-date treatment information, which is very important for any Behcet's sufferer considering treatment for his/her disease. The companion disc is a great addition to the book, because it includes figures from the book as well as additional resources. For a person who has been diagnosed with Behcet's disease, no matter how old or new the diagnosis, this book is a perfect for sufferers and would be a very informative read for family,

friends, and medical professionals. Due to how rare Behcet's disease is in many parts of the world (see book for further information), many health professionals are in the dark about many of the possible symptoms that can occur as part of the disease process.

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