As infection and immune reaction are so intricately intertwined, this book is valuable reading to anyone interested in infectious diseases in humans. Maybe in the future prions will have to be included as a new type of infectious agent whose rise we are just now witnessing. (Information on prion pathology is still hotly debated, and data on routes of transmission and immune system reactions are still scarce.)

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In Smallpox Research Activities: U.S. Interagency Collaboration, 2001 by James LeDuc et al., an error occurred in the text on Page 744, left column, under Diagnostic Tests, line 25. The information provided between lines 10 and 25 should be attributed to S. Ibrahim, U.S. Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases as unpublished data.

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