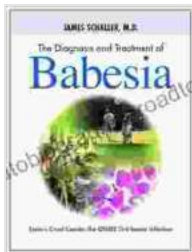


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What is Babesia?

Babesia is a parasitic infection that is caused by a protozoan. The parasite infects red blood cells and can cause a range of symptoms, from mild to severe. Babesia is most commonly spread through the bite of an infected tick.

Symptoms of Babesia

The symptoms of Babesia can vary depending on the severity of the infection. Mild cases of Babesia may only cause flu-like symptoms, such as:

* Fever * Chills * Fatigue * Muscle aches * Headache

More severe cases of Babesia can cause more serious symptoms, such as:

* Anemia * Jaundice * Hemolytic anemia * Kidney failure * Respiratory distress

Diagnosis of Babesia

The diagnosis of Babesia is made by a blood test. The blood test will look for the presence of Babesia parasites in the red blood cells.

Treatment of Babesia

The treatment of Babesia typically involves a combination of medications. The most common medications used to treat Babesia are:

* Atovaquone * Azithromycin * Quinine

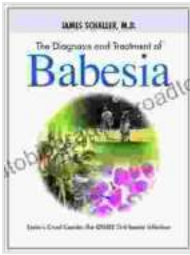
The length of treatment for Babesia will vary depending on the severity of the infection. In most cases, treatment will last for 7-10 days.

Prevention of Babesia

There is no vaccine available to prevent Babesia. However, there are a number of things you can do to reduce your risk of infection, including:

* Use insect repellent when spending time outdoors. * Wear long sleeves and pants when spending time in wooded areas. * Check yourself for ticks after spending time outdoors. * Remove ticks immediately if you find one on your skin.

Babesia is a serious infection, but it can be treated successfully if it is diagnosed and treated early. If you think you may have Babesia, talk to your doctor right away.



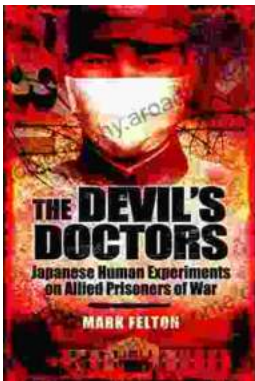
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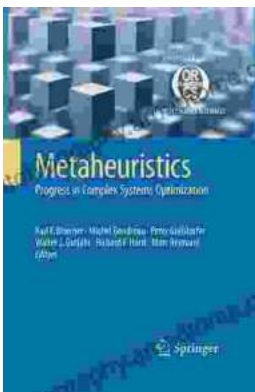
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