

BOOK REVIEW

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A Review of A Bibliography on Ethyl Alcohol for Forensic Science and Medicine and the Law

REFERENCE: Holleyhead, R., *A Bibliography on Ethyl Alcohol for Forensic Science and Medicine and the Law*, The Forensic Science Society, Harrogate, England, and Scottish Academic Press Ltd., Edinburgh, Scotland, 1980, 444 pages, \$40.00, paperback, 8 by 11½.

The bibliography is divided into sections as follows:

1. Subject index terms (460 keywords), 5 pages
2. Subject index, 163 pages
Heading—citation number—subject
3. Authors, 35 pages
Author—citation number
4. Citations, 175 pages, 1633 citations
Citation numbers—authors—title—computer accession number—journal reference
5. Journal index, 66 pages
Journal—citation number—journal reference

This bound, printed, computer readout provides quick access to citations of selected references on topics related to the forensic science aspects of ethyl alcohol. The main sources of references were the Central Research Establishment's collection and the U.S. National Library of Medicine (MEDLINE). Of 12 000 references screened, 1633 papers were selected. The main criteria for selection were based on questions asked about alcohol by scientists, laymen, and courts. It includes papers on how alcohol affects driving performance, its disappearance from the body, and its action in combination with other drugs. References on alcoholism and animal experimentation have been excluded.

Less than 20 references were found for the latest year cited, 1978. The majority appear to be in the 1970s.

The bibliography appears to fulfill the objectives of the author. It should be part of any forensic science library.

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