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Linguistic and pragmatic specificity of the medical terminologic system as the core of medical discourse

The aim of this study is to make an attempt to analyze the medical terminological system within the framework of the English-language medical discourse. At the present stage of the development of medical science the problem of quality translation of the English-language medical literature is of particular relevance, since the rapid development of medical knowledge and internationalization of medical experience requires a careful study of the specifics of the English-language terminological system. The authors analyze medical terminological system as the core of written medical discourse, due to which it becomes possible to solve a number of problems of equivalent medical text translation. The peculiarities of the English-speaking terminological system include: an ever-increasing volume of medical terminology, non-standard plural forms and a variety of negative prefixes of term elements. The authors conclude that an understanding of the specificity of medical terminology will contribute to the effective implementation of medical discourse in English.

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