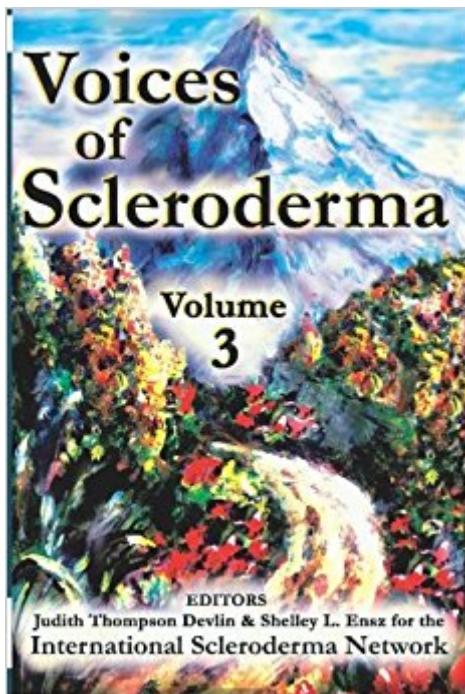


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# Voices Of Scleroderma, Vol. 3



## Synopsis

Ã¢ “I highly recommend this book for patients, caregivers, and medical professionals who want quality medical information and support for scleroderma and related illnesses. Ã¢ “Access to high quality reliable modern information is crucial to patient well-being and outcomes. The realization that Ã¢ “you ARE NOT aloneÃ¢ “â„¢ has therapeutic value in its own right. Ã¢ “The nonprofit International Scleroderma Network (ISN) and its website at [www.sclero.org](http://www.sclero.org) enjoys a well-deserved reputation for top-notch medical and support information and services from both the patient and medical organizations throughout the world. Each book in this series features enlightening articles from esteemed scleroderma researchers as well as over 100 unique patient and caregiver stories from 16 countries and in 5 languages. Ã¢ “It is only with a partnership of patients and scientists in a concerted worldwide effort that we will solve the riddle of scleroderma.Ã¢ “• James R. Seibold, M.D. Director, University of Michigan Scleroderma Program Chair, ISN Medical Advisory Board

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## Customer Reviews

I was diagnosed with Scleroderma 5 years ago. The best thing about this book is realizing that you are not alone in dealing with this life-changing disease.

Keep in mind that I'm a tad prejudiced, being a co-editor of the book -- but in my opinion, it is absolutely fabulous, and the very best book that our nonprofit International Scleroderma Network (ISN) has published in this series! This book series was written by over 100 site visitors to our

sclero.org website along with leading world experts in scleroderma, as well. For patient story content, it features over 100 stories, from people in 16 countries, and in 5 languages! For medical content, it begins with an outstanding article on Systemic Scleroderma by Dr. Marco Matucci-Cerinic and Dr. Irene Miniati, both from Italy. Dr. Matucci is founder of EUSTAR, the European league of scleroderma centers, and VP of the SCTC (its American/European counterpart of experts), and he serves on our ISN Medical Advisory Board. There is also a terrific article on Juvenile Sclerodema by Dr. Fernanda Falcini of Italy, complete with wonderful illustrations for children by Sherrill Knaggs. Sherrill is our ISN News Guide. Her inspiring story is in Volume 2, and her mother, lone Bridgman, who is 89 years old, painted the book covers for this series. We also drew in a world expert in scleroderma-like illnesses, Dr. Laszlo Czirjak of Hungary, for an overview of the many illnesses that are in the category called "scleroderma-like". Many of us have illnesses that are quite similar to systemic or localized scleroderma, but perhaps with a different underlying trigger or symptoms. This book series is the best of both worlds -- both patient and medical aspects -- with quality information and top notch support, from people who really know what it is like to live with scleroderma, as well as stories from people who have lost their loved ones to scleroderma or related illnesses. This book series is not biased, in the sense that the stories are not selected for representing either the best or the worst of scleroderma. Rather, the stories express the full range of possibilities from (comparatively) mild to severe to fatal. It's not just happy stories from people who are doing great in managing their illness, nor is it entirely filled with folks who are down in the dumps about it, either. Each of the books in this series includes chapters on other autoimmune diseases as well, including those who are still undiagnosed. Reading this book, or any of the books in this series, should make anyone with scleroderma or similar autoimmune or arthritis diseases (or chronic illnesses) feel like they are truly not alone. And, even if you feel educated and supported enough by being a member of our online website services or support groups -- just imagine the enlightenment a book like this can make for your friends, families, co-workers -- and doctors! In a few weeks there will be a "Search Inside" feature activated on for this book. Don't even hesitate -- Get this book and/or get the whole series! It's an outstanding labor of love and expertise from all your friends at the International Scleroderma Network (ISN) at [...] which features over 1200 pages of scleroderma information, in 22 languages, and online support groups 24 hours a day. You'll be very glad you did! Love & Warm Hugs, Shelley Ensz President International Scleroderma Network [...]

As a scleroderma patient I needed to tell someone and found the International Scleroderma Network. A website that lets one tell their scleroderma/auto-immune stories. I became involved as a

volunteer and with suggestions and collaboration with the President and founder of the ISN we started collecting stories. The results are three volumes of personal, heart warming, tragic, amazing personal stories from all over the world. We gathered medical articles from the most renown scleroderma specialists around the world also. The results speak for themselves- Three terrific books. Everyone has a story to tell. These are personal scleroderma stories with lots of helpful tips and medical information. If you have scleroderma or know someone with scleroderma, this book, Voices of Scleroderma Vol 3 (and Vols 1 and 2) are worth the read and/or gift. Help spread awareness of scleroderma. Buy This Book Today!

Having being diagnosed with scleroderma 13 months ago, I found the narratives written by other scleroderma patients to be quite informative. I had never heard of scleroderma until diagnosis. Until a few weeks ago, everyone that I learned about that had had scleroderma in my area had died. There was no one to talk to that had a first hand experience with the disease. I've only recently learned about another individual that has scleroderma and we plan to meet for lunch in a few days. Maybe we can start our own little support group.

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