# **BOOK REVIEW**

# Sexual Function in the Prostate Cancer Patient

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# Description

The 16 chapters in this book synthesize the basic science and clinical advances made in the new but rapidly advancing field of sexual dysfunction in prostate cancer patients.

### **Purpose**

This book assembles the clinical progress made by field leaders in the closely related disease states of erectile dysfunction and prostate cancer. With increased expectations made of clinicians to optimize the quality of life of newly diagnosed prostate cancer patients, this book offers the important goal of presenting surgical and medical strategies to prevent and treat the attendant erectile dysfunction.

#### **Audience**

This work is ideally suited for an eclectic range of clinical interests. Clinicians such as urologists, radiation and medical oncologists, family physicians, and internists will enhance their practices by understanding current approaches to management of this very common problem. The author is a world-class authority in this field.

#### **Features**

The author provides a comprehensive statement of the problem and pathophysiology of sexual function specifically related to prostate cancer. The book reviews the efforts made to preserve sexual health prior to iatrogenic causes of erectile dysfunction with chapters dedicated to potency-sparing radiation therapy, nerve-sparing radical prostatectomy, and robotically assisted laparoscopic prostatectomy. It presents contemporary approaches to penile rehabilitation using oral and local therapies and includes a chapter considering testosterone replacement therapy in the hypogonadal male following prostate cancer treatment.

# Assessment

The prevalent clinical concern about sexual dysfunction in prostate cancer patients highlights the importance of this topic. This is the first book to address this need and does so with a breadth and depth that provide clinicians with the confidence to reassure and treat their patients in a relevant and contemporary manner.

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