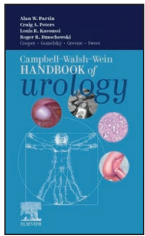

BOOK REVIEW

Campbell Walsh Wein Handbook of Urology

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Description

This book summarizes the field of adult and pediatric urology. It is a comprehensive manual designed to provide a snapshot of each aspect of urology from embryology to oncology. The digital component to this book complements the print copy.

Purpose

The purpose of this handbook is to provide a quick reference for training new urologic practitioners. It is meant to highlight practical information succinctly. This is a mighty endeavor which the authors achieve with poise. They have distilled the Campbell-Walsh-Wein textbook into a manual that can be easily kept in a coat pocket or next to the computer (or read on the computer). It is a helpful addition to the urologic literature when the full textbook is unavailable or too cumbersome and time consuming to locate the appropriate information.

Audience

The handbook is intended for learners of urology (students, residents, and fellows), as well as early career urologists and APPs. Given the wide range of topics, the book successfully targets trainees, general adult urologists, and pediatric urologists. This book will also be a great reference for NPs and PAs in addition to physicians. There are dozens of authors included in this collaborative effort. While many junior faculty and trainees have contributed to this handbook, each is supervised by a thought leader in their area of expertise.

Features

The book is divided into 31 chapters. It begins with patient evaluation and transitions into surgical management. The following several chapters cover pediatric urology, followed by benign adult disease. The remaining chapters alternate between genitourinary (GU) oncology and non-oncologic subjects. The last chapter is devoted to surgical complications. My only critique of the book pertains to the organization of the chapters. The sequence of topics is not always intuitive, but given the breadth of the field, this is not always easy to accomplish. The writing is clear and concise with bolded subsections to help organize each chapter. The illustrations, tables, and charts are of high quality and enhance the text.

Assessment

This book is a valuable resource for junior urologists, as it provides the pertinent, actionable information from the Campbell-Walsh-Wein textbook in a concise form. It is a great reference for those in training or just starting their urologic career.

Score

Weighted Numerical Score: 89 - ***

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