Description
This fourth edition of one of the leading surgical atlases in urological surgery includes access to an accompanying website with an ebook version. The previous edition was published in 2012.

Purpose
The authors set out to provide an update to what is considered the most comprehensive surgical reference for urology. Branded as a “how-to” surgical book, the authors accomplish this goal through a detailed description of each important step with associated pictures.

Audience
The audience is all urology providers. The book would be appropriate for brand new medical students working on the urology service for the first time to experienced attending surgeons looking to appreciate the nuances of a specific surgical procedure. It covers surgical procedures for both benign and malignant pathology encountered by urologists.

Features
This is a comprehensive book that covers all urologic surgical procedures, major and minor. It begins with a discussion of basic surgical techniques, which serves as a foundation to safely and effectively care for surgical patients. This is followed by 134 chapters with detailed reviews, accompanying full-color illustrations, and real-life color photographs demonstrating key steps. A unique feature of this atlas is the commentary provided by experts at the end of many chapters that help to provide perspective and highlight critical points. This edition includes 10 new chapters on topics such as robotic radical cystectomy and urinary diversion, robotic simple prostatectomy, techniques for targeted prostate biopsy, and focal therapy of prostate cancer, just to name a few.

Assessment
This continues to be the go-to surgical atlas for the field of urology. Its thorough descriptions accompanied by a combination of detailed colored illustrations with real-life surgical pictures provide a comprehensive single resource for urologists in training looking for the basics or experienced surgeons looking to brush up on surgical technique. The associated website and application makes on-the-go access easy for quick review. With the rapid adoption of minimally invasive surgery along with the increased use of robotic assistance, this update is most welcome.

Score
Weighted Numerical Score: 92 – ****

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