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## **Tumors of the Sacrum**

Hadronic radiotherapy uses particle beams to treat tumors located near critical body structures and tumors that respond poorly to conventional photon and electron beam radiotherapy. Initial research in hadronic radiotherapy was performed using accelerators built for physics research. The good results of the proton and ion therapy programs have enhanced the tendency to use protontherapy as a routine method. There are about 20 working protontherapy facilities (first, second and third generation) and more than 30 centers are planned. This book presents the first comprehensive overview of the field with a discussion on the fundamental basis of particle physics and radiobiology, as well as review of clinical and technical specifications and designs for proton radiotherapy. In particular, the current designs of proton and heavy ion accelerators, beam delivery systems, gantries, beam monitoring and dosimetry systems, control and safety systems, patient positioning and immobilization devices, and ancillary treatment facilities are widely discussed. Contents: Physical and Radiobiological Properties of Hadrons Status of Clinical Research in Protontherapy Hadrontherapy Facilities World-Wide Requirements for Hadrontherapy Centers Protontherapy Accelerators Beam Transport and Delivery Systems Proton Gantries Radiation Detectors Treatment Ancillary Facilities Control System of the Protontherapy Center Shielding for Proton

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FacilityGlobal Costs and Financial Analysis of the Activities of the Proton CenterProposal of a Dedicated Protontherapy Facility Readership: Engineers, medical physicists and physicians involved in the design and construction of radiotherapy accelerators, undergraduate and graduate students in high energy accelerator and biomedical physics, radiotherapists. Keywords:Proton Radiotherapy;Proton Accelerators for Radiotherapy;Unconventional Radiotherapy;Hadron Therapy Facility;Hadron Therapy Center;Proton Gantry;Dedicated Proton Therapy Facility

### **Principles of Neurological Surgery E-Book**

Neuro-oncologic (brain and spine) cancers account for 19,000 new cases and 13,000 deaths per year. The early and proper diagnosis of these virulent cancers is critical to patient outcomes and diagnosis and treatment strategies are continually evolving. The multidisciplinary team that manages these patients involves medical and radiation oncology, neurosurgery, neuroimaging, nurses and therapists. Principles and Practices of Neuro-Oncology establishes a new gold standard in care through a comprehensive, multidisciplinary text covering all aspects of neuro-oncology. Six major sections cover all topics related to epidemiology and etiology, molecular biology, clinical features and supportive care, imaging, neuroanatomy and neurosurgery, medical oncology and targeted therapies, and radiation oncology for adult and pediatric cancers. Expert contributors from multiple

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disciplines provide detailed and in-depth discussions of the entire field of neuro-oncology including histopathologic harmonization, neurosurgical techniques, quality of life and cognitive functions, and therapeutic changes in terms of combined modality treatments, advanced radiation techniques, the advent of new drugs, especially targeted agents, and the tantalizing early promise of personalized therapeutic approaches. With contributions from over 180 authors, numerous diagrams, illustrations and tables, and a 48 page color section, Principles and Practice of Neuro-Oncology reflects the breadth and depth of this multi-faceted specialty.

### **Medical Technologies in Neurosurgery**

Decision Making in Spinal Care presents all the current information on management strategies for the most common spine problems, including trauma injuries, metabolic and degenerative diseases, and spinal deformities. Each chapter opens with a concise introduction to the topic and discussion of the classification of the injury, condition, or management approach. The authors then describe the diagnostic workup of the patient, the treatment options available, the likely outcome, and possible complications. (Midwest).

### **Proton Beam Radiotherapy**

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Gain a clear understanding of the entire spectrum of today's rhinology and anterior skull base surgery with Atlas of Endoscopic Sinus and Skull Base Surgery, 2nd Edition. This thoroughly updated title increases your knowledge and skill regarding both basic or advanced procedures, taking you step by step through endoscopic approaches to chronic sinus disease, nasal polyps, pituitary tumors, cerebrospinal fluid leaks, sinonasal tumors, and more. Covers the full range of modern rhinology and anterior skull base surgery, from septoplasty and sphenoidectomy to extended frontal sinus procedures, endoscopic craniofacial resections and complex skull base reconstructions. Clearly conveys the anatomy and detailed steps of each procedure with concise, step-by-step instructions; visual guidance features high-definition, intraoperative endoscopic photos paired with detailed, labeled anatomic illustrations. Includes new content on anterior skull base surgery that reflect new developments in the field. Helps you provide optimal patient care before, during, and after surgery with detailed information on relevant anatomy and surgical indications, instrumentation, potential pitfalls, and post-operative considerations.

### **Ion Beam Therapy**

Hadron therapy is a groundbreaking new method of treating cancer. Boasting greater precision than other therapies, this therapy is now utilised in many clinical settings and the field is growing. More than 50 medical facilities currently perform (or are planned to perform) this treatment, with this number set to double by 2020.

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This new text covers the most recent advances in hadron therapy, exploring the physics, technology, biology, diagnosis, clinical applications, and economics behind the therapy. Providing essential and up-to-date information on recent developments in the field, this book will be of interest to current and aspiring specialists from a wide range of backgrounds. Features: Multidisciplinary approach: explores the physics, IT (big data), biology, clinical applications from imaging to treatment, clinical trials, and economics associated with hadron therapy Contains the latest research and developments in this rapidly evolving field, and integrates them into the current global challenges for radiation therapy Edited by recognised leaders in the field, including the co-ordinator of ENLIGHT (the European Network for Light Ion Hadron Therapy), with chapter contributions from international leading experts in the field

### **Proton Therapy E-Book**

Casts, Splints, and Support Bandages: Nonoperative Treatment and Perioperative Protection provides an extensive overview of the history, principles, methods, and techniques for applying a modern plaster or synthetic cast. The book comprises three sections: The Principles of Casting section outlines the basic principles of casting and splinting, the physical properties of cast materials, and socioeconomic considerations The Guidelines section explores nonoperative treatment for fractures, ligament, nerve, and soft-tissue injuries, overload injuries, and

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infections, in the upper and lower extremities and the spine Finally, the Techniques section provides step-by-step descriptions on 55 individual cast, splint, orthosis, and bandaging techniques, presented in high quality online video, and as stills with explanatory captions. AOTrauma is proud to bring you this incredibly important and comprehensive text, which will be of interest to a wide range of medical professionals including trauma and orthopedic surgeons, specialist cast technicians, rural doctors, residents in training, and ORP. It is the ideal resource for any busy hospital or orthopedic/trauma practice.

### **Advances in Particle Therapy**

As proton therapy treatment centers become smaller and more cost-effective, education and training for today's multi-disciplinary oncology teams are more important than ever before. This state-of-the-art reference brings you fully up to date with all aspects of proton therapy, with guidance you can trust from MD Anderson Cancer Center, the largest and most experienced proton therapy center in the world. Led by Drs. Steven J. Frank and W. Ronald Zhu, Proton Therapy provides a unique opportunity to benefit from the unsurpassed knowledge and expertise of an esteemed team of leaders in the field. Covers all cancers for which proton therapy is used most often, including prostate, head and neck, pediatrics, central nervous system, gastrointestinal, sarcomas, lungs, breast, lymphomas, and gynecologic cancers. Provides up-to-date information on radiobiology, treatment

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planning and quality assurance, indications for proton therapy, management approaches, and outcomes after proton therapy by disease site. Discusses technologic advances such as spot scanning and treatment planning systems for the management of solid tumors; radiobiology of proton therapy, including DNA damage and repair mechanisms and acute and late effects on normal tissues; and multifield optimized intensity-modulated proton therapy (MFO-IMPT) for optimizing the distribution of linear energy transfer (LET) of proton beams within target volumes and away from critical normal structures. Includes a special section on head and neck cases in the e-book that photographically illustrates the full cycle of proton therapy care.

### **Controversies in Skull Base Surgery**

A rare form of cancer, chordomas are among the most difficult tumors to treat, requiring highly specialized training and surgical expertise. Although generally slow-growing, chordomas present resection challenges due to their proximity to critical structures including the spinal cord, brainstem, nerves, and arteries. Written by an impressive cadre of internationally-renowned experts, this textbook is the most current, concise, and definitive resource on diagnosis and management of this complex pathology. Acclaimed surgeons from Brazil, Canada, Japan, Turkey, the USA, and the UK are contributors. The book starts with a historical overview, epidemiology, molecular pathogenesis, cytogenetics, local invasion and

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metastasis, and pathology. A thorough discussion covers diagnostic radiological and radionuclide imaging such as MRI, PET; SPECT, PET-CT, and PET-MRI, and clinical traits of skull base and spinal chordomas as defined by imaging modalities. Subsequent chapters explore decision making including selecting the most optimal techniques, surgical procedures, specialized topics, and new horizons in chordoma treatment. Key Highlights Anterior and anterolateral approaches to the clivus The use of endoscopy and intraoperative assistive technologies Midline subfrontal, middle fossa, extended petrosal, and transcondylar approaches Craniospinal fusion techniques following resection Surgery for spinal chordomas from the cervical to the sacral region Special topics such as radiation, proton beam therapy, Gamma-Knife radiosurgery, and pediatric chordomas and chondrosarcomas This is an essential text for neurosurgeons, orthopedic spine surgeons, otolaryngologists, and radiation oncologists. Read and learn from innovators who have mastered the latest state-of-the-art treatment methodologies for chordomas.

### **Radiation Oncology**

Perfect for anyone considering or training in this challenging specialty, Principles of Neurological Surgery, 4th Edition, by Drs. Richard G. Ellenbogen, Laligam N. Sekhar, and Neil Kitchen, provides a clear, superbly illustrated introduction to all aspects of neurosurgery—from general principles to specific techniques. Thorough updates from leading authors ensure that you'll stay abreast of the latest advances

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in every area of neurosurgery, including pre- and post-operative patient care, neuroradiology, pediatric neurosurgery, neurovascular surgery, trauma surgery, spine surgery, oncology, pituitary adenomas, cranial base neurosurgery, image-guided neurosurgery, treatment of pain, epilepsy surgery, and much more.

### **Decision Making in Spinal Care**

The book provides a detailed, up-to-date account of the basics, the technology, and the clinical use of ion beams for radiation therapy. Theoretical background, technical components, and patient treatment schemes are delineated by the leading experts that helped to develop this field from a research niche to its current highly sophisticated and powerful clinical treatment level used to the benefit of cancer patients worldwide. Rather than being a side-by-side collection of articles, this book consists of related chapters. It is a common achievement by 76 experts from around the world. Their expertise reflects the diversity of the field with radiation therapy, medical and accelerator physics, radiobiology, computer science, engineering, and health economics. The book addresses a similarly broad audience ranging from professionals that need to know more about this novel treatment modality or consider to enter the field of ion beam therapy as a researcher. However, it is also written for the interested public and for patients who might want to learn about this treatment option.

## **Bone Cancer**

Radiation Oncology: Rationale, Technique, Results, by James D. Cox, MD and K. Kian Ang, MD, PhD, provides you with authoritative guidance on the latest methods for using radiotherapy to treat patients with cancer. Progressing from fundamental principles through specific treatment strategies for the cancers of each organ system, it also addresses the effects of radiation on normal structures and the avoidance of complications. This 9th edition covers the most recent indications and techniques in the field, including new developments in proton therapy and intensity-modulated radiotherapy (IMRT). It also features, for the first time, full-color images throughout the text to match those that you see in practice, and uses new color-coded treatment plans to make targets, structures, and doses easier to read at a glance. Evidence from randomized clinical trials is included whenever possible to validate clinical recommendations. The state-of-the-art coverage inside this trusted resource equips you to target cancer as effectively as possible while minimizing harm to healthy tissue. Stands apart as the only book in the field to cover the conceptual framework for the use of radiotherapy by describing the most effective techniques for treatment planning and delivery and presenting the results of each type of therapy. Emphasizes clinical uses of radiation therapy, providing pertinent, easy-to-understand information on state-of-the-art treatments. Includes information useful for non-radiotherapists, making it "recommended reading" for other oncology specialists. Offers a practical, uniform chapter structure to expedite

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### **Advances and Technical Standards in Neurosurgery**

Physical therapy services may be provided alongside or in conjunction with other medical services. They are performed by physical therapists (known as physiotherapists in many countries) with the help of other medical professionals. This book consists of 11 chapters written by several professionals from different parts of the world. It includes different kinds of chapters for clinical physical therapy with precious points for physical therapy, physical therapy for cancer, chronic venous disease, mental health, and other topics. We hope that the information provided in this book will instruct global physical therapists and related professionals.

### **Principles & Practice of Neuro-Oncology**

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This book provides state-of-the-art, in-depth knowledge of spinal cord tumor surgery. After an introduction to the history and etiology of spinal cord tumor treatment, the molecular biology, cytogenetics and pathology of this group of tumors is discussed. The pathological anatomy of spinal cord tumors is described and the book focuses in depth on their diagnosis and the surgical approaches that can be used in their treatment. Microsurgery resection techniques, auxiliary treatment options, prognosis and outcomes of spinal cord, and spinal nerve tumors are all covered in detail. Spinal Cord Tumors is aimed at neurosurgeons and may also be of interest to neurologists, neuro-oncologists, radiologists, physiatrists, pathologists, geneticists, orthopedic surgeons, physical and occupational therapists, and other interested scientists.

### **The Intervertebral Disc**

From the authors of the bestselling Spine Surgery: Tricks of the Trade, here is the concise "how-to" guide on conducting diagnostic spine exams. The text begins with a thorough review of the fundamentals, including basic anatomy and neurology, and goes on to systematically outline tests for the cervical, thoracic, and lumbar spine. It is an ideal resource for both beginners and practicing physicians. Key features include: Nearly 200 line drawings that illustrate motor, sensory, reflex, and range-of-motion exams Includes special tests for scoliosis and other spine disorders to expand your scope of diagnostic procedures Succinct and easy-to-

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understand descriptions for easy mastery of concepts Well-organized by cervical, thoracic, and lumbosacral sections to streamline localization of specific exams This straightforward pictorial aid is the perfect companion for spine surgeons, orthopedists, chiropractors, and neurosurgeons, as well as an ideal orientation for residents. From critical anatomy to step-by-step instructional guidelines, it will enhance your examination skills and refresh your understanding of the frequently performed spinal test.

### **Surgical Anatomy and Techniques to the Spine E-Book**

This book offers a comprehensive, practical guide to understanding the physical and biological characteristics of proton beam radiotherapy. The application of proton beams to the treatment of solid cancers has expanded exponentially over the last decade due to their physical properties, which make it possible to administer higher doses of radiation to lesions with only a minimum dose to the surrounding healthy tissues. Accordingly, understanding the basic aspects of proton beam radiotherapy is a primary concern not only for medical physicists and radiation biologists, but also for all physicians involved in cancer treatment using proton beams. The major aspects discussed include the technique's development background, the generation and delivery system for proton beams, physical characteristics, biological consequences, dosimetry, and future prospects in both medical physics and radiation biology in terms of effective cancer treatment.

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Gathering contributions from experts who provide clear and detailed information on the basics of proton beams, the book will greatly benefit not only radiological technicians, medical physicists, and physicians, but also scientists in cancer radiotherapy.

### **Cell Culture Technology**

This book serves as a practical guide for the use of carbon ions in cancer radiotherapy. On the basis of clinical experience with more than 7,000 patients with various types of tumors treated over a period of nearly 20 years at the National Institute of Radiological Sciences, step-by-step procedures and technological development of this modality are highlighted. The book is divided into two sections, the first covering the underlying principles of physics and biology, and the second section is a systematic review by tumor site, concentrating on the role of therapeutic techniques and the pitfalls in treatment planning. Readers will learn of the superior outcomes obtained with carbon-ion therapy for various types of tumors in terms of local control and toxicities. It is essential to understand that the carbon-ion beam is like a two-edged sword: unless it is used properly, it can increase the risk of severe injury to critical organs. In early series of dose-escalation studies, some patients experienced serious adverse effects such as skin ulcers, pneumonitis, intestinal ulcers, and bone necrosis, for which salvage surgery or hospitalization was required. To preclude such detrimental results, the

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### **Tumor Ablation**

This textbook provides an overview on current cell culture techniques, conditions, and applications specifically focusing on human cell culture. This book is based on lectures, seminars and practical courses in stem cells, tissue engineering, regenerative medicine and 3D cell culture held at the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna BOKU and the Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz University Hannover, complemented by contributions from international experts, and therefore delivers in a compact and clear way important theoretical, as well as practical knowledge to advanced graduate students on cell culture techniques and the current status of research. The book is written for Master students and PhD candidates in biotechnology, tissue engineering and biomedicine working with

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mammalian, and specifically human cells. It will be of interest to doctoral colleges, Master- and PhD programs teaching courses in this area of research.

### **Casts, Splints, and Support Bandages**

There is an enormous sense of excitement in the communities of cancer research and cancer care as we move into the middle third of the first decade of the 21st century. For the first time, there is a true sense of confidence that the tools provided by the human genome project will enable cancer researchers to crack the code of genomic abnormalities that allow tumor cells to live within the body and provide highly specific, virtually non-toxic therapies for the eradication, or at least firm control of human cancers. There is also good reason to hope that these same lines of inquiry will yield better tests for screening, early detection, and prevention of progression beyond curability. While these developments provide a legitimate basis for optimism, many patients will continue to develop cancers and suffer from their debilitating effects, even as research moves ahead. For these individuals, it is imperative that the cancer field make the best possible use of the tools available to provide present day cancer patients with the best chances for cure, effective palliation, or, at the very least, relief from symptoms caused by acute intercurrent complications of cancer. A modality that has emerged as a very useful approach to at least some of these goals is tumor ablation by the use of physical or physiochemical approaches.

## **Radiation Oncology E-Book**

This book is a comprehensive review of stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT): its physics, clinical evidence, indications, and future directions. The utilization of stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT) is increasing internationally because of several factors. First, it offers patients a local treatment option that has demonstrated effectiveness similar to traditional surgery without the morbidity of general anesthesia and open surgical resection. Second, recent advancements in the quality of scientific evidence supporting a SRS or SBRT-containing approach in patients continues to evolve and demonstrate favorable disease-specific outcomes with little, if any, toxicity in various anatomic disease sites and for various conditions including cancer, benign tumors, and other psychiatric and neurologic conditions. Third, and most provocatively, is the notion that definitive local therapy (i.e. SRS or SBRT) in patients with cancer can boost the immune system to fight cancer in other sites throughout the body. While traditional medical knowledge would suggest that all patients with metastatic cancer are incurable, there is a mounting body of evidence that there is a subset of these patients that can be cured with definitive SRS or SBRT. This volume thus delves into each of these benefits and aspects of treatment, guiding physicians to the best treatment plan for their patients. Expert, international authors provide guidelines for SRS and SBRT use by clinicians. Chapters are divided into six main sections: Radiobiology of

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Radiosurgery and Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy, Intracranial Radiosurgery Technique, Intracranial Radiosurgery by Indication, Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy Technique, Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy by Indication, The Future of Radiosurgery and SBRT. Overall physics are explained, as well as specific considerations for particular surgical tools (including the Leksell Gamma Knife and Accuray CyberKnife), techniques (including fractionated and charged particle radiosurgery), and anatomic sites (including brain metastases, pituitary tumors, and the prostate). Detailed images and charts enhance the chapters. This book provides physicians with a single, practical resource incorporating both of these broad categories of treatment, SRS and SBRT, and better defines the current role and the direction of radiosurgery.

### **Physical Examination of the Spine**

Winner of Association of American Publishers Best Book in Clinical Medicine, 2006 Highly Commended in Surgery by British Medical Association, 2007 Here is complete coverage of state-of-the-art surgical techniques for the spine and peripheral nerves. This atlas engages the full range of approaches -- anterior, antero-lateral, posterior, and postero-lateral -- for operations on peripheral nerves and in every area of the spine. Each of the seven sections of the atlas opens with in-depth discussion of pathology, etiology and differential diagnosis conveying the underlying scientific principles of diseases and conditions of the spine and

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peripheral nerves. The authors then present technique-oriented chapters containing step-by-step descriptions of surgical procedures. These chapters delineate the goals, indications, contraindications, anesthesia considerations, positions, as well as the advantages and disadvantages of each technique in a concise manner, ideal for the busy practitioner seeking review. Lavishly illustrated with more than 1,200 images, including 811 beautiful full color drawings, this authoritative text covers all of the critical issues involved in surgeries for the spine and peripheral nerves. Here is an invaluable asset to neurosurgeons, orthopedic surgeons and residents seeking a carefully edited, didactic atlas.

### **Endoscopy**

Presents an outstanding review of state-of-the-art basic science, including epidemiology as well as molecular and cellular biology. This volume describes the very latest approaches to diagnostic imaging and pathologic classification; covers the newest treatment techniques, from neurosurgery through radiation therapy, chemotherapy, neuro-interventional techniques, immunotherapy, and gene therapy, and discusses functional outcomes and clinical trial findings. It explores all of the most challenging neurologic cancers that clinicians face, including meningiomas, chordomas and chondrosarcomas of the cranial base, benign and malignant peripheral nerve tumors, medulloblastomas, neurocutaneous syndromes, ependymomas, and malignant rhabdoid tumors. Includes a thorough

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section on Pediatric Neuro-Oncology and offers more than 800 crisp clinical and pathological photos to facilitate diagnosis and treatment.

### **MR Neuroimaging**

Wherever, whenever, or however you need it, unmatched procedural guidance is at your fingertips with the new edition of Schmidek & Sweet: Operative Neurosurgical Techniques! Completely revised under the auspices of new editor-in-chief Dr. Alfredo Quiñones-Hinojosa, this comprehensive medical reference examines indications, operative techniques, complications, and results for nearly every neurosurgical procedure. Full-color illustrations, 21 new chapters, internationally-acclaimed contributors, surgical videos, and online access make it a "must have" for today's practitioner. Hone your skills for Master virtually every routine and specialized procedure for brain, spinal, and peripheral nerve problems in adult patients. Review clinical information on image-guided technologies and infections. Easily understand and apply techniques with guidance from more than 1,600 full-color illustrations. Rely on the knowledge and experience of new editor-in-chief Dr. Alfredo Quiñones-Hinojosa and leading international authorities, who offer multiple perspectives on neurosurgical challenges, from tried-and-true methods to the most current techniques. See exactly how to proceed with online surgical videos that guide you through each technique and procedure to ensure the best possible outcomes and results. Apply the latest techniques and knowledge

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in deep brain stimulation for epilepsy, movement disorders, dystonia, and psychiatric disorders; surgical management of blast injuries; invasive electrophysiology in functional neurosurgery; and interventional management of cerebral aneurysms and arterio-venous malformations. Take it with you anywhere! Access the full text, downloadable image library, video clips, and more at [www.expertconsult.com](http://www.expertconsult.com).

### **Atlas of Endoscopic Sinus and Skull Base Surgery E-Book**

This series has already become a classic. In general, one volume is published per year. The advances section presents fields of neurosurgery and related areas in which important recent progress has been made. The technical standards section features detailed descriptions of standard procedures to assist young neurosurgeons in their post-graduate training. The contributions are written by experienced clinicians and are reviewed by all members of the editorial board.

### **Chordomas**

Featuring an expanded focus on in-demand endoscopic and minimally invasive spine procedures, *Surgical Anatomy and Techniques to the Spine, 2nd Edition* pairs new anatomic photographs and radiographic images with expertly rendered color

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illustrations and clear, step-by-step descriptions to help you effectively perform all of the latest and most effective spine surgery techniques. A multidisciplinary approach makes this medical reference book relevant and informative to all surgeons regardless of their specialty or level of surgical experience with the spine. Proceed with confidence. An atlas-style format featuring clear, concise, step-by-step descriptions of the anatomy and procedures along with clinical hints and pearls, tables, and management algorithms provideing swift answers and trusted guidance. Sharpen your surgical acumen with a deeper understanding of the anatomy of the surgical target and related anatomy. Comprehensive information on cervical, cervical/thoracic, thoracic/lumbar, lumbar spine, lumbar/pelvis, and other surgical locations ensures the best approaches to spine surgery and results. Understand the spine from all angles with multiple-viewpoint, full-color photographs, and illustrations.

### **Textbook of Radiation Oncology**

The intervertebral disc is a complex structure that separates opposing vertebrae, permits a wide range of motion, and accommodates high biomechanical forces. Disc degeneration leads to a loss of function and is often associated with excruciating pain. Written by leading scientists and clinicians, the first part of the book provides a review of the basic biology of the disc in health and disease. The second part considers strategies to mitigate the effects of disc degeneration and

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discusses the possibility of engineering replacement tissues. The final section is devoted to approaches to model normal development and elucidate the pathogenesis of degenerative disc disease using animal, organ and cell culture techniques. The book bridges the gap between the basic and clinical sciences; the target audience includes basic scientists, orthopaedists and neurologists, while at the same time appealing to the needs of graduate students, medical students, interns and fellows.

### **Handbook of Neuro-Oncology Neuroimaging**

This vol. was produced in collaboration with the International Academy of Pathology (IAP).

### **Advances in Vestibular Schwannoma Microneurosurgery**

Written by a world-class team of multidisciplinary experts, here is the first definitive reference on these two highly challenging tumors occurring in the skull base and spine. Covering everything from their embryology and pathology, clinical presentation and diagnosis, radiologic appearance, surgical treatment, radiation therapy, and prognosis, it is the most comprehensive book ever written on the topic. Special features: All available information on these tumors packed into a

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single volume High-quality illustrations that make anatomy and surgical approach crystal-clear Contributorst include: Albert Rhoton Jr., Harry Van Loveren, Laligam Sekhar, Robert Spetzler, and Chandranath Sen Includes alternative methods of treatment, ranging from surgery to radiation modalities, with recurrence and outcome assessmentFor all specialists who treat tumors of the skull base and spine, including neurosurgeons, otolaryngologists-head and neck surgeons, ophthalmologic surgeons, and orthopedic surgeons.

### **Stereotactic Radiosurgery and Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy**

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### **Schmidek and Sweet: Operative Neurosurgical Techniques E-Book**

This volume describes the most relevant and cutting-edge technological news on the complex surgical procedure of acoustic neuroma. The clinical-radiological diagnosis and surgical indications are briefly presented and the surgical technique

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is illustrated step-by-step: video clips show the latest means of treating these patients. All these indications were prepared by highly experienced experts in the field, based on their personal experience. The new technologies discussed concern e.g. the intraoperative identification and position of the facial nerve, hearing preservation, techniques for dural closure, and the usefulness of laser and ultrasound aspirators. The book also discusses a number of ongoing projects, including those on: diluted papaverine for microvascular protection of cranial nerves, flexible endoscope for IAC control of tumor removal, fluid cement for bone closure, administering aspirin to control residual tumors larger than 7mm, and DTI for preoperative prediction of the position of the facial nerve. This is a highly informative presented book providing surgeon interested in acoustic neuroma with necessary information on modern technologies available for improving the results of patients.

### **Clinical Physical Therapy**

Chordomas and Chondrosarcomas of the Skull Base and Spine, Second Edition, is a major reference and guide for neurosurgeons, medical oncologists, neuroscientists, orthopedic surgeons, head and neck surgeons and radiation oncologists that treat patients and research chordomas and chondrosarcomas of the axial skeleton. This book is the unique result of the collaboration of multidisciplinary specialists from a wide variety of fields (neurological sciences, medical oncology, molecular biology,

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orthopedics and radiation oncology), offering the most relevant information about chordomas and chondrosarcomas of the axial skeleton from each of these fields condensed into one single volume. It contains new medical knowledge and scientific advances regarding the treatment of these types of tumors. Additionally, the book includes chapters written by the Chordoma Foundation and Sarcoma Foundation of America, providing the most valuable information and support for patients and their relatives. Presents an up-to-date, comprehensive resource that details chordomas and chondrosarcomas from a multidisciplinary approach Edited by the leading researchers in brain and skull base tumors Includes chapters written by the Chordoma Foundation and Sarcoma Foundation of America

### **Carbon-Ion Radiotherapy**

Remarkable progress in neuro-oncology due to increased utilization of advanced imaging in clinical practice continues to accelerate in recent years. Refinements in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and computed tomography (CT) technology, and the addition of newer anatomical, functional, and metabolic imaging methods, such as MRS, fMRI, diffusion MRI, and DTI MRI have allowed brain tumor patients to be diagnosed much earlier and to be followed more carefully during treatment. With treatment approaches and the field of neuro-oncology neuroimaging changing rapidly, this second edition of the Handbook of Neuro-Oncology Neuroimaging is so relevant to those in the field, providing a single-source, comprehensive, reference

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handbook of the most up-to-date clinical and technical information regarding the application of neuro-Imaging techniques to brain tumor and neuro-oncology patients. This new volume will have updates on all of the material from the first edition, and in addition will feature several new important chapters covering diverse topics such as advanced imaging techniques in radiation therapy, therapeutic treatment fields, response assessment in clinical trials, surgical planning of neoplastic disease of the spine, and more. It will also serve as a resource of background information to neuroimaging researchers and basic scientists with an interest in brain tumors and neuro-oncology. Provides a background to translational research and the use of brain imaging for brain tumors Contains critical discussions on the potential and limitations of neuroimaging as a translational tool for the diagnosis and treatment of brain tumor and neuro-oncology patients Presents an up-to-date reference on advanced imaging technologies, including computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), and positron emission tomography (PET), as well as the recent refinements in these techniques

### **Spinal Cord Tumors**

A spinal column tumor is a cancerous (malignant) or noncancerous (benign) growth that develops within or near the spinal cord or within the bones of the spine and aren't as common as brain tumors, but they do occur. The majority of spinal cord

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tumors are found in children and young adults, but anyone can be diagnosed with a tumor at any point in their life. Treatment for a spinal tumor may include surgery, radiation therapy, chemotherapy or other medications. Surgery can range from a minimally invasive procedure to complex reconstruction depending on the severity of cancer involvement. This book aimed to have a complete and detailed update on spinal oncologic pathology and the most advanced techniques for diagnosing and managing spinal cord and spinal column tumors. From the fundamentals of spinal cord anatomy and spinal tumors pathology to the clinical evaluation, radiological diagnosis and treatment techniques for specific spinal tumors. The book is divided into two sections, one on spinal cord tumors and one on vertebral column tumors. The text contains multidisciplinary notions on surgical approaches for resection, reconstruction, decompression and stabilization for spinal tumors. Furthermore, the text contains important updates on the diagnosis and treatment of vertebral metastases with particular attention to diagnostic algorithms. It contains contributions and experiences of some of the world's leading experts in the treatment of spinal oncological pathology, making this work rich and complete. This book is aimed at neurosurgeons, orthopedic surgeons and specialists who require a complete text on current techniques in the management of spinal tumors.

### **Pathology and Genetics of Tumours of Soft Tissue and Bone**

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Thoroughly revised and updated, the 2nd Edition presents all of the latest advances in the field, including the most recent technologies and techniques. For each tumor site discussed, readers will find unparalleled coverage of multiple treatment plans, histology and biology of the tumor, its anatomic location and routes of spread, and utilization of specialized techniques. This convenient source also reviews all of the basic principles that underlie the selection and application of radiation as a treatment modality, including radiobiology, radiation physics, immobilization and simulation, high dose rate, intraoperative irradiation, and more. Comprehensively reviews each topic, with a distinct clinical orientation throughout. Serves as a foundation for the basic principles that underlie the selection and application of radiation as a treatment modality, including radiobiology, radiation physics, immobilization and simulation, high dose rate, intraoperative irradiation, and more. Guides readers through all stages of treatment application with step-by-step techniques for the assessment and implementation of radiotherapeutic options. Presents latest information on brachytherapy \* 3-dimensional conformal treatment planning \* stereotactic radiosurgery \* and radiolabeled antibodies. Discusses the recent use of radiotherapy in the treatment of primary lymphoma, leukemia, multiple myeloma, and cancers of the prostate and central nervous system. Includes the latest AJCC staging system guidelines. Offers the latest advances in techniques, allowing you to deliver doses precisely to areas affected by malignancy and spare healthy tissue. Presents new chapters on the hottest topics including Three Dimensional Conformal Radiotherapy \* Intensity Modulated

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Radiotherapy \* Breathing Synchronized Radiotherapy \* Plasma Cell Tumors: Multiple Myeloma and Solitary Plasmacytoma \* Extracranial Stereotactic Radioablation \* and [Imaging of the] Head and Neck \* Thorax \* Abdomen \* and Pelvis.

### **Proton Radiotherapy Accelerators**

100% pure MR imaging of the CNS comprehensive, up to date, essential The imaging quality achievable in MR imaging today was inconceivable just a few years ago. No other subspecialty has evolved so swiftly while placing ever-greater emphasis on fast and accurate results. This book is intended as an indispensable tool at the workplace, as reference for image interpretation, and even for fast orientation during the examination. Adjunct information is provided that fosters the dialogue with referring physicians: for most diseases and conditions there are summaries of epidemiology, clinical findings, pathogenesis and pathophysiology, as well as basic therapy concepts. Special features: A fast-reference guide, even in tricky cases-differential diagnosis made easy, with high clinical relevance Tips for organizing examinations Reference images for comparison with actual images A reference book for looking up equivocal findings More than 1,300 vivid, high-resolution images from the latest generation of scanners Coverage of peripheral nervous system diseases and MR neurography Answers to questions such as: What technique is best for answering a specific question? What does normal anatomy

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look like, and what landmarks should be sought? Which differential diagnoses should I consider? What are the optimal equipment settings at my workplace? What therapeutic options does interventional radiology provide? For all radiologists in hospital or office settings, also for neurologists and neurosurgeons.

### **Chordomas and Chondrosarcomas of the Skull Base and Spine**

Bone Cancer, Second Edition comprehensively investigates key discoveries in the field of bone biology over the last five years that have led to the development of entirely new areas for investigation, such as therapies which combine surgery and biological approaches. The Second Edition expands on the original overview of bone cancer development (physiology and pathophysiology), with key chapters from the first edition, and offers numerous new chapters describing the new concepts of bone cancer biology and therapy, for both primary bone tumors as well as bone metastases. Each chapter has been written by internationally recognized specialists on the bone cancer microenvironment, bone metastases, osteoclast biology in bone cancer, proteomics, bone niche, circulating tumor cells, and clinical trials. Given the global prevalence of breast and prostate cancers, knowledge of bone biology has become essential for everyone within the medical and cancer research communities. Bone Cancer continues to offer the only translational reference to cover all aspects of primary bone cancer and bone metastases – from bench to bedside: development (cellular and molecular mechanisms), genomic and

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proteomic analyses, clinical analyses (histopathology, imaging, pain monitoring), as well as new therapeutic approaches and clinical trials for primary bone tumors and bone metastases. Presents a comprehensive, translational source for all aspects of primary bone cancer and bone metastases in one reference work Provides a common language for cancer researchers, bone biologists, oncologists, and radiologists to discuss bone tumors and how bone cancer metastases affects each major organ system Offers insights to research clinicians (oncologists and radiologists) into understanding the molecular basis of bone cancer, leading to more well-informed diagnoses and treatment of tumors and metastases Offers insights to bone biologists into how clinical observations and practices can feed back into the research cycle and, therefore, can contribute to the development of more targeted genomic and proteomic assays

### **Spinal Cord and Spinal Column Tumors**

Endoscopy is a fast moving field, and new techniques are continuously emerging. In recent decades, endoscopy has evolved and branched out from a diagnostic modality to enhanced video and computer assisting imaging with impressive interventional capabilities. The modern endoscopy has seen advances not only in types of endoscopes available, but also in types of interventions amenable to the endoscopic approach. To date, there are a lot more developments that are being trialed. Modern endoscopic equipment provides physicians with the benefit of

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many technical advances. Endoscopy is an effective and safe procedure even in special populations including pediatric patients and renal transplant patients. It serves as the tool for diagnosis and therapeutic interventions of many organs including gastrointestinal tract, head and neck, urinary tract and others.

### **Carbon-Ion Radiotherapy**

This book provides an up-to-date overview on the epidemiology, clinical presentation, and imaging characteristics of sacral tumors, discusses the available treatment options, and reports the published outcomes. The diagnostic roles of conventional radiology, CT, and MRI are thoroughly described and imaging appearances are compared with the histologic features. The coverage of therapeutic approaches includes chemotherapy, radiotherapy, radiosurgery, and surgery (partial or total sacrectomy and spinopelvic reconstruction). Special attention is paid to the specific anatomic constraints that make tumors in this region of the spine more difficult to manage effectively than those in the extremities and the mobile portions of the spine. All components of the sacrum can give rise to benign or malignant tumors, which pose significant diagnostic and therapeutic challenges. Although these tumors are often diagnosed at an advanced stage, good clinical outcomes may be achieved if an aggressive multidisciplinary approach is used. This book will be of value for a range of practitioners; it will assist in prompt diagnosis and help to overcome lack of familiarity with the

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required treatment strategies.

### **Atlas of Neurosurgical Techniques**

State-of-the-art approaches and insightful discussions on challenging topics in skull base surgery. Advances in endoscopic, microsurgical, radiosurgical, and pharmacotherapeutic strategies have revolutionized the treatment of skull base pathologies. *Controversies in Skull Base Surgery*, edited by Andrew Little and Michael Mooney and authored by esteemed multidisciplinary contributors, focuses on management strategies and treatment options for a wide range of tumors affecting the skull base, while addressing the most urgent and challenging questions facing skull base surgeons today. Throughout nine sections and 46 chapters, experts describe the treatment of neoplasms such as vestibular schwannoma, meningioma, pituitary adenoma, craniopharyngioma, chordoma, cranial nerve schwannoma, sinonasal malignancies, and others. In many chapters, authors provide instructional case studies and suggestions for future studies to help clarify areas of controversy. This textbook is unique in that it tackles problems typically minimized or ignored by other texts that impact a patient's quality of life and recovery. Key Highlights Reader-friendly tables feature concise summaries, author pearls, and levels of available evidence. Pearls and insights on hotly debated issues such as the role of radiosurgery, surgery vs. medical management, radical resection vs. subtotal resection, and proton-beam vs. photon therapy for various

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pathologic conditions Controversies not frequently discussed in depth, including the use of lumbar drains, postoperative antibiotics, and cerebral revascularization in skull base surgery; multidisciplinary collaboration in endoscopic endonasal surgery; skull base reconstruction techniques; and the future of robotics in skull base surgery This stellar resource will benefit all residents and advanced practice providers who evaluate and treat patients with skull base pathologies, including neurosurgeons, otolaryngologists, and radiation and medical oncologists.

### **Chordomas and Chondrosarcomas of the Skull Base and Spine**

This book concentrates on the technical innovations, molecular biology, and genetics that have impacted clinical practice in radiation oncology in the past and that will continue to do so in the future. This text, with contributions from over 30 renowned physicians, includes such topics as three-dimensional treatment planning, biochemical modifiers, radiosurgery, photodynamic therapy, total lymphoid irradiation, and genetics of radiation resistance.

### **Textbook of Neuro-oncology**

This Acta Neurochirurgica supplement distills the accomplishments of the Joint Convention of the Academia Eurasania Neurochirurgica and the German Academy

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of Neurosurgery held in Bamberg, Germany from Sept. 1-3 2005. The main focus is "Medical Technologies for Neurosurgery," including: imaging, image processing, robotics, workflow analysis and ethics. Coverage extends from an overview of medical technologies, to robotic-assisted systems in neurosurgical operating rooms, to intraoperative MRI.

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