

Fractures and Dislocations

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It is a pleasure to write a foreword for this new book on 'Fractures and Dislocations' for medical students and young doctors starting out in Orthopaedics.

This book is the labour of two Senior Orthopaedic Surgeons from King Khalid University Hospital, King Saud University. It is a modern textbook, dealing with the principles of diagnosis and treatment of fractures and dislocations that are commonly encountered in Orthopaedic practise.

The style is clear and easy to follow with beautiful line drawings which make the text comprehensive. The approach of this book has been to discuss the principles of fracture management, including the process of fracture healing. This is then followed by sensible and clearly explained sections on all fractures and dislocations. which involve the upper and lower limb and the spine including the pelvis.

One of the delights of this book is the frequent use of anatomical drawings to explain the fracture mechanism. The clinical approach draws heavily on the authors British training and the teaching of Mr. Graham Apley, and combines this with a sensible and logical approach to fracture treatment, by using the methods of the A-O school where and when the authors think appropriate.

This is clearly a book for Medical Students who will not only gain from its straight forward and uncluttered approach, but will get an insight into modern orthopaedics and the challenges that are present. It is also an excellent book for junior doctors who are working in Orthopaedic Departments. They will find much useful advise on how to diagnose and treat fractures and will also be able to clearly understand the process of the fracture mechanism.

Drs. Badr and Shaheen are to be congratulated on this fine work alongwith Mr. Ramilla the Medical artist.

I believe this book will be widely read, not only in their own country but in every department, where a concise, clearly illustrated modern work is required.

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Preface to the Second Edition

Since the publication of the first edition there has been a continuing heavy demand for this book from medical students and trainees. In this edition many advances in the treatment of fractures and dislocations have been incorporated to update the text without increasing the size.

The aim remains the same basic, standard and simple but modern and up todate concentrating on principles rather than methods.

Our thanks and acknowledgement are extended to our students and trainees who recognised the value of the work. Thanks and appreciation are due to all colleagues in the Department of Orthopaedics in King Saud University for their constructive criticism and advice to keep the book up todate.

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This book on Fractures and Dislocations is written originally for undergraduate students. The book has never presumed to be a complete text on the subject. We have always intended it to be a useful guide to undergraduate students and a companion to orthopaedic trainees.

Emphasis has been placed on the principles of fractures and dislocations and its clinical presentation. The principles of treatment are described omitting the fine details.

Our thanks are due to Mr. M. Mazhar Ullah for his diligence throughout the publication of this book. We also thank Mr. B.M. Ramilla, who has given a lot of time and effort in the production of diagrams.

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