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This book is dedicated to my husband (Matt Miller) and sons, Chase and Kobe, who made a personal sacrifice while it was being written, to fellow practitioners throughout the world, and to my students. While contemplating a second edition to this textbook, we decided that it was crucial that this edition be more than a simple update of procedures that had been included in the first edition. It was our goal to add significant new information to the text, while at the same time improving the format and artwork used in the first edition. We are extremely proud of this second edition. We hope that you will find that we have accomplished our goals. In addition to adding five totally new chapters on endoscopy and minimally invasive surgery, we have also expanded the section on neurosurgery, incorporating new chapters on surgery of the brain and peripheral nerves. We have also added procedures and indications for many commonly performed ophthalmic procedures in the integumentary chapter. Throughout the text, you will find that we have updated procedures with new information published since the first edition was printed, and in many cases we have added descriptions of entirely new procedures that were either rarely used, or not used, when the first edition was published. For example, we have included several new sections on arthroscopy in orthopedics; this minimally invasive procedure is quickly becoming a modality of choice in the treatment of many complex joint problems. It was our goal to make sure that we produced the most stateof-the-art book possible. Although it has always been our desire to provide clinically useful information, rather than a monologue of research on a given topic, we have addressed the need for a review of recent research by providing a new section at the end of the soft tissue, orthopedic, and neurosurgery chapters entitled "Selected abstracts of recent manuscripts." This section is not meant to be an all-inclusive review of recent publications, but within this section, the reader will find a concise review of selected manuscripts that were chosen because they address important clinical concerns. We hope to build on this section in future editions.

We have added new artwork to existing procedures, and you will find that there are more color illustrations in this edition than in the last. In fact, 75% of the illustrations in this edition are in full color. The artwork in the orthopedic section, in particular, has been vastly redone. In keeping with the first edition, we have maintained our initial goals of providing (1) a limited number of contributors, (2) an excellent and consistent artwork program, and (3) a precise and consistent format that varies minimally between chapters.

It has always been our intent to make this book as userfriendly as possible. For this reason, we have expanded the NOTE boxes, which highlight important concerns, key concepts, and precautions. We have also expanded the use of tables that provide antibiotic, anesthetic, and analgesic protocols. The tables are color-coded for easy reference, something new to this edition. As with the first edition, we believe that to be successful, surgeons must have detailed knowledge of the important issues regarding diagnosis, an awareness of potential differential diagnoses, and a thorough appreciation of preoperative concerns relative to the animal's disease or condition. These sections are each outlined in the text. Additionally, anesthetic concerns, surgical anatomy, wound healing, postoperative concerns, and potential complications are detailed. As with the first edition, the surgical technique itself is described in detail, which provides the reader with a comprehensive and thorough description of each procedure.

We were lucky to enlist the aid of the same surgeons from the first edition in this revised edition. As with the first edition, the bulk of this book was written by five surgeons and an internist. Dr. Howard Seim and I were responsible for Part I, *General Surgical Principles*, while Dr. Mike Willard contributed Section II, *Endoscopy*. Dr. Cheryl Hedlund and I were responsible for Part III, *Soft Tissue Surgery*, and Drs. Ann Johnson and Don Hulse provided the material encompassed in Part IV, *Orthopedic Surgery*. Dr. Howard Seim contributed Part V, *Neurosurgery*. Dr. Gwen Carroll provided the chapter on pain management (Chapter 12). Lastly, Dr. Mike Willard reviewed and provided his perspective to many of the chapters so that we might provide the most up-to-date information on the medical management of surgical disease.

SPECIAL FEATURES Art Program

We were extremely privileged to be able to work with our original illustrator, Laura Duprey, on this second edition. In addition to being an incredibly skilled artist, she has an extremely broad-based and detailed knowledge of anatomy. You will find that the illustrations in this text are exceptionally clear and accurate. We have added many new illustrations, and revised many more, in our attempt to make this book the best illustrated textbook in veterinary medicine.

OVERALL ORGANIZATION OF THE BOOK

The first edition garnered much praise for using a consistent and user-friendly format. We have maintained that format here, expanding upon it where appropriate. Because we know that veterinary practitioners are busy, we have used tables throughout the text to provide easy reference and to reduce the amount of time spent searching for drug doses and other important information. Again, to prevent excessive duplication of material throughout the text, we have in some instances referred readers to other pages; however, when we have done so we have attempted to provide a specific page

number for reference to help you find the information as quickly and easily as possible.

General Format

This book comprises 44 chapters and is organized into five parts. The first 10 chapters of Part I, General Surgical Principles, were written with veterinary medical students in mind. The information contained within these chapters is the information we teach our students in their introductory surgery courses. Found within these chapters is detailed information on the basics of sterile technique, surgical instrumentation, suturing, preoperative care, and rational antibiotic use. The color photographs illustrating hand ties, pack preparation, and surgical instruments should be particularly useful. Chapter 11 contains information on postoperative care, including nutrition for surgical patients. Because nutrition affects many body systems and is an important adjunct to case management, we have included detailed information on techniques for hyperalimentation in this chapter. Chapter 12 is a practical description of the use of analgesics in veterinary patients, which has been expanded from the first edition.

Part II is a new section that describes endoscopy and minimally invasive surgical techniques. It uses the same user-friendly format as the other chapters and includes many beautiful photographs and drawings that illustrate techniques and equipment for performing these procedures. Parts III, IV, and V contain information on soft tissue surgery, orthopedic surgery, and neurosurgery, respectively. These chapters are divided into a section detailing general principles and a section on specific diseases. The General Principles and Techniques portion begins with definitions of procedures and terms relevant to the organ system detailed. Next are sections detailing information on preoperative concerns and anesthetic considerations. This is followed by a discussion on antibiotic use (including recommendations for antibiotic prophylaxis) and a brief description of pertinent surgical anatomy. Anatomy is too often neglected in surgical textbooks, or because of formatting is not well correlated with the techniques in a given chapter. As with the first edition, we have circumvented this problem by including it as separate and consistent heading under General Principles and Techniques. Surgical techniques that are broadly applicable to a number of diseases are also detailed in this section. However, if a surgical procedure is specific to a particular disease, the description of the technique will be found instead with the specific disease description. Brief discussions on healing of the specific organ or tissue as well as suture material and special instruments follow the surgical techniques descriptions. The final headings in the General Principles and Techniques section are Postoperative Care and Assessment, Complications, and Special Age Considerations.

The *Specific Diseases* portion of each chapter begins with definitions, usually of the disease. When relevant, synonyms for the disease or techniques are given. Next, general considerations and clinically relevant pathophysiology are detailed. This information is meant to provide practical material for

General chapter format

- 1. General principles and techniques
 - A. Definitions
 - B. Preoperative concerns
 - C. Anesthetic considerations
 - D. Antibiotics
 - E. Surgical anatomy
 - F. Techniques
 - G. Wound healing
 - H. Suture materials/special instruments
 - 1. Postoperative care and assessment
 - J. Complications
 - K. Special age considerations
- II. Specific diseases
 - A. Definitions
 - B. Synonyms
 - C. General considerations and clinically relevant pathophysiology
 - D. Diagnosis
 - 1. Člinical presentation
 - a. Signalment
 - b. History
 - 2. Physical examination findings
 - 3. Radiography/Ultrasonography
 - 4. Laboratory findings
 - E. Differential diagnosis
 - F. Medical management
 - G. Surgical treatment
 - 1. Preoperative management
 - 2. Anesthesia
 - 3. Surgical anatomy
 - 4. Positioning
 - H. Surgical technique
 - 1. Suture materials/special instruments
 - J. Postoperative care and assessment
 - K. Complications
 - L. Prognosis

case management, rather than serving as a supplemental text for pathophysiology. The discussions of diagnoses are detailed and include information on signalment and history, physical examination findings, radiography and ultrasonography, and pertinent laboratory abnormalities. Sections on differential diagnoses and medical management of affected animals are consistently provided. These are followed by a detailed description of the relevant surgical techniques. We have attempted to detail most commonly used techniques, although we may have noted our preference for a particular method. Information on positioning patients for a given procedure is often neglected in surgical textbooks; to avoid this we have provided this information as a separate and consistent heading. The remainder of the Specific Diseases section deals with postoperative care of the surgical patient, potential complications, and prognosis.

Anesthesia Protocols

In most surgery textbooks, anesthesia is either totally neglected or is included in separate chapters near the end of the book. Busy practitioners often find it difficult to access this information and correlate it with the cases they are operating. Therefore, recommendations for anesthetizing animals with a particular disease or disorder are found in the *Specific Diseases* section of each chapter. As with the first edition, Dr. Gwen Carroll served as our anesthesia consultant for this revision. Gwen was responsible for reviewing the general anesthesia information for each organ system included in the *General Principles and Techniques* sections. Also included in this book are numerous suggested anesthetic protocols, including drug dosages. Although we recognize that many veterinarians have established protocols that they prefer and with which they are comfortable, the protocols provided in this book have proved to be a handy resource for both students and doctors.

References

As with the first edition, rather than provide a long list of available references, we have chosen to provide selected references under the heading *Suggested Reading*. When a specific study or finding is indicated in the text, the reference has been noted and included in a separate heading called *References*. It was our feeling that with the ready availability of computerized bibliographic information, laundry lists of references are no longer necessary. In order to make room for newer references, we have removed many references more than 10 years old from this edition, unless the reference was thought to be a "classic."

Selected Abstracts of Recent Manuscripts

In keeping with our desire to provide concise, useful information to practitioners and students of veterinary medicine, we have purposely avoided providing research material on a given topic not yet proven to have clinical relevance. However, with this edition, we have addressed the need for a review of recent research by providing a new section at the end of the soft-tissue, orthopedic, and neurosurgery chapters called *Selected abstracts of recent manuscripts*. This section is not meant to be an all-inclusive review of recent publications; however, it will provide a concise review of selected manuscripts that were chosen because they address important clinical concerns. We hope to expand this section in future editions.

Tables

As in the first edition, we have included hundreds of summary tables for key clinical information. To facilitate ease of access and to promote comprehension, we have created unique logos and color schemes for tables with similar types of information:

Etiology
Classifications of Disease
Clinical Signs
Diagnosis and Differential Diagnosis
Antibiotics
Anesthetics and Sedation
Analgesics/Pain Management
General Treatment
Complications
Calculations
General Tables

Index

We felt that an extensive index was mandatory. The index of *Small Animal Surgery* is thorough and exhaustive. Additionally, we have avoided cross-referencing readers to separate entries in the index. Rather, we have opted to duplicate page sources each time a topic is listed because we believe that this is the most useful format for practitioners.

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To all of you who purchased the first edition, we appreciate your input and recommendations. We particularly welcome your suggestions on how to improve future editions. We hope you find this edition a worthy effort.

I would like to once again thank my fellow contributors on this book. I am blessed to have been able to work with some of the best and most dedicated surgeons in veterinary medicine. This edition was no less of an undertaking than the first edition, and your dedication and hard work made it a timely and worthwhile edition to the veterinary literature. Many thanks!

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