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PREFACE

It is a privilege to undertake a new edition of a book which has served the medical community so long and so outstandingly as has *Duncan's Diseases of Metabolism*. It is also a responsibility both to those who have made this book outstanding in the past and those who have come to rely on it as a valuable source of information. We have been greatly helped in this work by the advice and support of Mr. John L. Dusseau and Mr. Carl M. Katila of the W. B. Saunders Company, whose experience and knowledge were essential to the completion of this task. Miss Betsy Winters and Miss Linda Luty provided invaluable secretarial and editorial assistance, and Mrs. Virginia Simon was of great help in preparing much of the art work.

The largest burden has been borne by our authors. The degree to which they have been successful in fulfilling the objectives outlined in Chapter 1 will be evident to readers of the book. Science moves so rapidly that even a thoroughly up-to-date presentation may be somewhat outmoded by the time it has passed through the processes of publication. To minimize the importance of the time which has passed since the chapters were written, each author has been offered an opportunity to write an addendum to his chapter, to make it as current as possible. These addenda are published at the end of the book after the index. The addenda will be revised with each printing of the book to make the newest copies as nearly correct as possible.

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