Mini invasive colorectal surgery: an update

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Minimally invasive approach to colorectal disease nowadays involves most of the surgical communities in Italy and abroad. Many centers have started this surgery, but not everywhere has been standardized. Moreover, since the minimally invasive approach is innovative, it needs to be updated with the tips and tricks that are continuously added and ameliorated by expert laparoscopic surgeons.

This monographic volume tries therefore to reply to many open issues and to certify and codify what has been already acknowledged in clinical practice; we are witnesses of a dramatic change in the way of approaching this disease and we have the duty to offer the best available treatment to our patients. This volume may therefore represent a valid and detailed update for surgeons who are at the beginning of their experience as well as for those who want to improve their performance.

The latest medical technical advances, physiopathological knowledge, indications to surgical management of diverticular disease, description of standard as well as unusual surgical procedures; these are only some of the

interesting topics of this volume. Coverage of all these aspects is accompanied by up-to-date references.

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