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FOUNDATIONS OF ANESTHESIOLOGY. By Albert Faulconer, Jr., and THOMAS E. KEYS. Toronto: The Ryerson Press (1965), 2 volumes. \$46.25.

In every scientific discipline there exists a series of basic papers on which the development of current knowledge and concepts rests. These volumes are an admirable collection of such basic material in the field of anaesthesia and the basic sciences on which contemporary practice of anaesthesia depends. In each case there is appended to the paper a brief but adequate biographical sketch of the author or authors, which establishes for the reader the background and context in which the reported work was done. These volumes are an outstanding contribution to the literature of the specialty. They should be found in every medical library and should certainly be read by every professional anaesthetist. R.A.G.