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This book in two volumes and almost 3,000 pages may be considered as a bible on skeletal trauma surgery. Indeed, the 65 chapters of this book offer an exhaustive view of all the skeletal traumas of the body. It is not only a simple technical book. Depending on type of trauma, the chapters include a special section on anatomy, biomechanics, radiographic evaluation, physical examination, and of course, treatments and indications.

It is perfectly illustrated with very clear drawings, X-rays and per-operative shots. Post-operative care, complications and outcome are also addressed. The different chapters are easy to read and very didactic.

This book is really indispensable to surgeons who have a trauma activity and also to residents who want to be trauma surgeon and to trauma departments.

A very complete and useful index is proposed at the end of the book. Of course, a DVD is included.

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