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who taught me and who was my inspiration
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To all physicians and their patients
who are pioneers in the exploration towards excellence
and the restoration of function.

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to my children, Christine, Dan, Ana, and Alex,
and to all my teachers, past and present.

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Preface

Thanks to the efforts and talents of the senior editor, James F. Guhl, M.D., ankle arthroscopy has established itself as an important tool in the armamentarium of the orthopedic surgeon and allied practitioner interested in the field of foot and ankle surgery.

In keeping with Dr. Guhl's philosophy, experienced surgeons have been invited to discuss various aspects of the management of foot and ankle disorders in order to present this book as a single-source reference regarding foot and ankle arthroscopy. Chapters pertaining to clinical examination, anatomy, and various arthroscopic techniques, including their indications, contraindications, and possible complications, are discussed with clarity, providing

a wealth of useful, up-to-date information. New promising procedures are covered as well. The text also devotes a chapter to rehabilitation.

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