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*To all those with surgical spirit about them!*





# Foreword

With the introduction of new post-graduate training, virtually all doctors will be exposed to some form of surgical training prior to specialization. Many of these doctors will have little exposure to certain surgical emergencies in medical school. Thus, they may unnecessarily refer to a senior doctor when not needed or catastrophically neglect a patient needing urgent surgical opinion.

This book has been written for exam preparation and for daily clinical practice, so that all surgical trainees may benefit from the combined experience of the team who wrote the book. Each chapter includes key features of history and examination that enables the understanding of what is required in day-to-day clinical practice. The principles of acute management are described, allowing the reader to understand the importance of emergency management and the implications of not applying the key principles. This will hopefully prevent some of the mistakes that we all would have made in managing such patients when we were juniors.

We feel that this book will be a valuable tool for all junior doctors and medical students, and it will also be of interest to nurse practitioners, general practitioners, and allied health professionals managing these patients. We sincerely hope it will be of clinical benefit to the patients that we treat on a daily basis.



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