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## PREFACE

During the past decade extensive investigations have been done on the testis. Since the observations have been published in many different journals, it seemed appropriate to bring together and summarize some of the pertinent findings in a single volume.

Twenty-eight scientists and clinicians from nine countries have contributed to this book. They have reviewed the literature and presented their own, new observations on the developmental, anatomical, physiological, biochemical and pathological aspects of the descended and cryptorchid testis. In addition, several contributors have evaluated the usefulness of certain animals as models for systematically studying specific aspects of cryptorchidism. It is hoped that this volume will serve as a useful summary and reference for those working in this area and that it will encourage further research in testicular physiopathology.

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