

Book Reviews

Primary Rhinoplasty: A New Approach to the Logic and the Techniques. Tebbetts, JB. St Louis, MO, Mosby, 1998, 708 pages, \$225.00

Primary Rhinoplasty is a beautifully illustrated, atlas-like, hardbound textbook based on Dr Tebbetts' 18 years of rhinoplasty experience. The purpose of this text is to illustrate the principles and techniques of Dr Tebbetts' approach to primary rhinoplasty. He is quick to point out that, although techniques may change over time and evolve, sound principles will stand the test of time. These principles also can be applied to secondary rhinoplasty, but with less predictability.

The book is divided into 14 chapters and 4 appendixes. Each chapter has key points italicized in the margin, color photographs, and illustrations help to further clarify the objectives. The first 3 chapters focus on principles of nondestructive tip rhinoplasty, the sequence of rhinoplasty, and operative planning. These 3 chapters serve as the foundation for the remaining chapters in the book. Subsequent chapters deal with Dr. Tebbetts' step-by-step rhinoplasty techniques. The chapters cover incisions in rhinoplasty, skeletonization, primary tip assessment modification, primary modification of the dorsal, septum, ethmoid, and vomer, and osteotomies. One of the most interesting features of this text is that each chapter is designed to stand alone. That is, if one desires information on osteotomies, one would be able to read the chapter on osteotomies and have a full understanding of the principles and techniques involved with osteotomies. This may lead to some redundancy in the text; however, this unique approach makes this a valuable quick reference.

The text concludes with chapters on secondary tip modification and dorsal modification as well as the lip-nose complex and alar base modification. The final chapter of the text discusses splint dressings and postoperative care, an area that is often minimized in rhinoplasty books. This chapter is one of the finest available for detailing, not only in a written but also in a photographic form, the important care necessary for a desirable surgical outcome.

The last approximate 140 pages are dedicated to the appendixes, which include case studies, photography, computer imaging, surgical instruments, and sutures for rhinoplasty as well as practice management documents, which included almost every form imaginable.

In conclusion, *Primary Rhinoplasty* is an excellent text on techniques and principles of rhinoplasty. The format and detail undoubtedly allow both novice and experienced surgeons to have a quick reference, making this a valuable addition to

the library of either the experienced rhinoplasty surgeon or the beginning surgeon.

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Diseases of the Head and Neck, Nose and Throat. Jones AS, Phillips DE, Hilgers FJM (eds). New York, NY, Oxford University Press, 1998, 1932 pages, \$198.50.

The purpose of this book is to provide an up-to-date approach to the diagnosis and treatment of the wide variety of disorders affecting the head and neck, nose, and throat (excluding ear). According to the editors, it is to be used with its companion title *Diseases of the Ear* to provide a comprehensive review of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. This is the first edition of the textbook and is edited by physicians from England and The Netherlands. The book contains 57 chapters by 73 authors from around the world. The text is divided into 3 sections including malignant and nonmalignant diseases of the head, neck, and throat, and diseases of the nose. Most of the chapters are of uniform length and are well referenced, well illustrated, and well organized. Line drawings, radiographs, photographs, charts, tables, and histomicrographs enhance the excellent text. The legends that accompany the illustrations are clear, concise, and informative. The references at the end of the chapters include both classic and current contributions to the field. Most of the chapters include sections on anatomy, pathology, cause and pathogenesis, symptomatology, treatment, and results. There are 45 pages of outstanding color plates showing anatomy, histopathology, cytology, and clinical and surgical photographs. The highlight of these color photographs is the section on sinus anatomy from Becker's supplement on applied anatomy of the paranasal sinuses that appeared in the *Annals of Otolaryngology, Rhinology, and Laryngology* (1994). Despite the broad scope of material that is presented, the book provides the necessary detail and also highlights key issues. The chapters on epidemiology and immunology were difficult to get through because of this detail; however, the authors provided a summary at the end of the chapter that I found helpful. The section devoted to malignant disease of the head and neck has a number of good chapters that cover the spectrum of disease well. In this section there was a chapter on tumor biology, an increasingly important aspect of head and neck oncology, that did a good job summarizing key developments and pointing out areas of current research. The editors also acknowledge the multidisciplinary approach to head and neck cancer and include good chapters on radiation therapy and