
Foreword

In his foreword to the first edition, Heinz Stammberger commended the Editors, David Kennedy and Peter Hwang, for bringing together many of the leading experts in rhinology to create a comprehensive, contemporary, and cohesive text that captured the rapid advances across the breadth of rhinology. With topics ranging from inflammatory and infectious rhinosinusitis through to extended endoscopic approaches and reconstruction of the skull base, it was easy to imagine that we were reaching the zenith of growth in our understanding of the underlying pathophysiology of rhinologic disease, in therapeutic options, and new corridors to explore with the endoscope. The book was a firm favorite with my registrars and I was delighted to have had the opportunity to contribute as an author.

It is hard to imagine how much would have changed in little over a decade since the first publication. Type 2 inflammation and the biologic therapies that have driven a paradigm shift in our management of severe chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyps did not even get a mention. We have survived a global pandemic that has shone a spotlight on our specialty and the importance of olfaction. We continue to develop new endoscopic corridors to the intracranial cavity and to improve outcomes of the management of benign and malignant tumors of the sinuses, skull base, and orbit. Sadly, we have lost some of the

pioneers of the rhinologic revolution, and so I find myself with the near-impossible task of following in Heinz's footsteps in writing this foreword. His legacy remains omnipresent in the current text.

The Editors of the current edition, Peter Hwang, David Kennedy, Richard Orlandi, and Peter John Wormald, have all been major forerunners within our field and could easily have written the entire text themselves. To assist them, they have brought together nearly 170 experts from around the globe and rejuvenated the book with both new and updated chapters and an extended library of fully narrated videos. The quality of the text, illustrations, and accompanying videos is a testament to their passion and dedication not only to this book, but also to our specialty as a whole. I congratulate them on what remains a benchmark for years to come.

For all those reading this book, you will be educated and inspired in equal measure. I look forward to seeing what changes you will bring to what surely must be one of the most exciting specialties in which to work over the next decade. Here's to "Rhinology."

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