Preface

This book is a compilation of recently published related articles on the progress of management of airway surgery in the academic arena and covers the complete field of trachea and bronchus surgery. It is a standard work for academics, physicians and medical students, interested in the field of airway surgery.

There is an extensive description of the anatomy enlivened with colourful pictures and artful sketches. The book covers the whole spectrum of management of obstructions, whether by foreign bodies, infectious diseases or malignant tumours. Also the treatment of pediatric patients is included in this extensive works. Surgical techniques varying from simple endoscopic biopsies to complete tracheal replacement will pass in review. There are reports of both open and thoracoscopic approaches for airway management. Also anesthesiological aspects and treatment and prevention of complications after airway surgery are discussed. Finally the book contains a chapter on new techniques and future developments for airway surgery.

Each chapter discusses the most recent advances in management of airway disease and contains an extensive overview of the most recent literature.

We wish to thank all authors for their effort at achieving the highest standards with their contribution. The book warrants its presence in every bookcase.

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