

In the era of the precision medicine and minimally invasive surgery, we need a comprehensive book to summarize the current expertise of perioperative management of patients with pancreatic disease.

Pancreatic surgery has historically been associated with high operative morbidity and classically been performed through a large abdominal incision. Minimally invasive techniques are associated with less postoperative pain, lower wound infection rates, decreased physiological stress, and fewer postoperative hernias and bowel obstructions. Recent studies have suggested that the benefits of minimally invasive techniques may be true for pancreatic surgery as well.

The particular book on “*Progress in Pancreatic Surgery*” aims to provide the comprehensive update on pancreatectomy with a focus on minimally invasive surgical techniques to surgeons around the world. We believe this book will be beneficial to the growth of young surgeons.

All chapters were contributed by the experts in the field. They are internationally renowned specialists and bring great insight based on their extensive personal experience. This comprehensive book covers the preoperative EUS, imaging, open and minimally invasive pancreatic surgery, postoperative complications and their management, and the adjuvant therapy for pancreatic cancer and the prognosis after surgical resection. This book brings the most updated perioperative knowledge on the pancreatic surgery from international experts to readers. Besides preoperative workup and postoperative complications management, this book emphasizes the techniques of the open and minimally invasive pancreatic surgery.

The diligent efforts of all authors have provided our readers the most updated knowledge and clinical expertise. We believe that this extraordinary book will reflect a collaborative effort from multiple international contributors as the state-of-the-art on pancreatic surgery. The editors great appreciate their contribution and support. We appreciate that all the contents of this issue will be open access and thus freely available to clinicians and scientists.

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