Case Studies in Abdominal and Pelvic Imaging is a collection of 100 real cases, encompassing a broad range from common medical and surgical problems to more rare but interesting pathologies.

The cases demonstrate the use of modern imaging techniques that are generally commonplace to most hospitals, and illustrate how multiple modalities can be used in the investigation of pathology.

The advent of PACS has meant images are more readily available to clinicians for review in clinics, wards, etc. With the increasing number of multi-disciplinary meetings, the imaging of more cases is reviewed and demonstrated by radiologists to a wider group of clinicians. It is therefore important to have an understanding of imaging and not simply to read the report.

In addition more US is being performed as an extension of examination and a good understanding of the appearances and pathologies that may be demonstrated by this clinician-performed US is essential.

This book is aimed at a broad range of specialties including gastroenterology, general and GI surgery, gynaecology and urology and also radiologists in training and medical students.

In addition, we intend its use to extend to those allied professionals who regularly review imaging when treating their patients, e.g. cancer specialist nurses and endoscopists.

The structure of the book is designed to enable the reader to study 100 cases. Each commences with a brief history, accompanied by the relevant images and questions on one page. The answers to the questions are found on the next page, with annotated images demonstrating the salient features. There is then a brief discussion of the condition, key teaching points, references and suggested further reading. This format reflects changes in medical education, where some of the more traditional formats have been replaced by clinical scenarios which often include an element of imaging.

We hope the cases will be interesting as well as educational.

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