Preface

Surgical Management of Urolithiasis, Percutaneous, Shockwave, and Ureteroscopy provides a comprehensive and state-of-the-art overview of the major issues specific to the field of surgical urolithiasis. As a major part of general urologic practice, urolithiasis remains a significant domain in urology today. Written entirely by surgical urologists, Surgical Management of Urolithiasis, Percutaneous, Shockwave, and Ureteroscopy presents a comprehensive overview of all current surgical techniques, with a focus on educating urologists on the full spectrum of stone procedures. In addition to the technical issues, detailed complications are described. Basic as well as advanced techniques are presented in both a didactic and visual mode with representative endoscopic images and radiographs. Recent advancements that are not routinely a core component of surgical training programs are covered in detail. This useful text is extensively illustrated with radiographs, figures, and algorithms to highlight the clinical application of available surgical techniques.

Care of these patients and clinical conditions can be quite complex, and materials will be collected from the most current, evidence-based resources. The proposed sections of the book have been structured to review the overall scope of issues of all major categories of surgical stone therapy. This book will fill a critical need for resource materials on these topics. The book will also include practical presentations of typical patients seen in the clinical practice. This will be in the form of case presentations with expert analysis. This book is a unique and valuable resource in the field of surgical urolithiasis both for those currently in training and for those already in clinical or research practice. The book does not seek to duplicate or replace other current resources. Rather, it will create a comprehensive yet concise resource on these topics. No practicing urologist should be without it.

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