Kidney transplantation is commonplace today. Many transplant recipients are being cared for in a variety of clinical practice situations which are often outside the transplant center. The purpose of this book is to provide the reader with an update of the main understandings that are important for the optimal management of medical and surgical issues in transplantation recipients. We have sought out the expertise of many key opinion leaders in the different areas of transplantation practice. Many of the authors are members of the organ transplantation program at the University of Maryland School of Medicine in Baltimore. This center with its large clinical practice has provided substantial experience in many of the clinical areas that are covered in this book. Hopefully, this compendium of new information will serve as an important resource in your practice to provide the best possible care for your transplant patients.

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