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Preface

In the face of the changing style of the intercollegiate MRCS examination, 'older' revision texts are no longer up to date with the novel exam format. In writing this book we aim to preserve the 'Socratic' method of question-and-answer that has previously been so well received amongst candidates. At the same time, we draw on our own personal experiences, of those students we have taught, and of those that have taught us, providing a novel text based on what you really need to know.

By combining a systems-based approach with the related anatomy and physiology, we hope that this book will not only act as a quick reference guide during a night on call, but also improve your overall understanding of each topic, providing that background information that we so greatly crave but often have insufficient time to search for.

We wish you the best of luck, not only in your exams, but also in the many years of surgical training that lie ahead.

Leanne Harling, Mazyar Kanani, 2011