
Preface

In the daily practice of imaging diagnosis, radiologists expect a variety of imaging findings for each disease entity, and in turn many different disease entities have similar imaging findings. Usually, a certain diagnosis is made based on one's memory of having seen other cases with similar imaging features. This practical guide provides approximately 3,500 selected and categorized illustrations along with short, key text passages that will help the reader easily recall the correct images and work through to a differential diagnosis.

I owe so much to my colleagues – radiologists, urologists, pathologists, and nephrologists – for collecting the materials in this illustrative book, which comprehensively covers topics in uroradiology. The biggest debt I have in publishing this book is to my patients. I imagine that the more beautiful the images in this book, the more severe the patients' suffering, and I hope that the readers who are helped by the images in this book can appreciate the pain that the patients might have experienced.

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The year I spent in Philadelphia with Dr. Howard Pollack was a turning point in my career as a uroradiologist. At that time, Pollack's *Clinical Urography* had just been published. I learned how the materials in his book had been collected, categorized, and retrieved. His collaborative style in working with his clinical counterparts as a uroradiologist strongly influenced mine. I am lucky to have worked with the finest publisher, Springer, for this second edition and I appreciate the perfect job that its staff did. Above all, the strongest support to finish this book was the love and encouragement given to me by my dearest wife, Byung Hee, and my son, Jin Woong.

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