

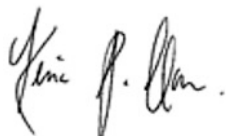
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## Preface

We are honored to present *Total Intravenous Anesthesia and Target Controlled Infusion*. This book is a testament to the passion and expertise of the contributing authors who are all committed to the field of intravenous anesthesia and target controlled infusion. The author list reads like a “Who’s who” of anesthetic pharmacology, and includes experts from diverse disciplines and specialties, from 20 countries around the world. We are very appreciative of and honored by their efforts and extend a sincere “thank you” to each author.

This book is a unique contribution to the field. It is the first to address these topics in a comprehensive manner. Each chapter was written by a specialist in that particular area and is intended to be of value to all providers of intravenous sedation and anesthesia. It may be read cover to cover, or read ad hoc, one chapter at a time, out of succession. There is intentional, albeit minimal, repetition of topics. The repetition is intended not only to consolidate important information for the reader but also to convey relevant information for those who may not be reading the book cover to cover. Even when there is “repetition,” it is presented in a different style by each of the individual authors, which in most cases masks the repeated elements.

We wish our readers much reading pleasure. Our primary goal is to help improve the care of patients worldwide, and we trust that this book, which represents a true international collaboration among multiple specialists, will be a timeless resource for clinicians and researchers working in the field of intravenous delivery of sedation and anesthesia.



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