Topics in
Colorectal Surgery
Preface

We are in the era of superspecialization in each branch of surgery including the laparoscopic and endoscopic surgical management. Even now most colorectal conditions are treated by the general surgeons. But in the United States of America and some parts of European countries, the colorectal surgery is recognized as a separate specialty and they conduct examinations for certification in colorectal surgery. The need for specialization in colorectal surgery was realized by the Association of Colon and Rectal Surgeons of India and the association is organizing basic and advanced course in colorectal surgery and conduct examination and offer fellowship in colorectal surgery who have passed the examinations.

As the colorectal surgery is advancing in all respects, there is a need for ready reference for the colorectal surgeons, postgraduate trainees and those appearing for the examination. This book on Topics in Colorectal Surgery is based upon the lectures given by the author in various teaching programs throughout the country for the past 30 years. The lectures are updated periodically, so that it will be reference for both undergraduates and postgraduates and also those who are interested in colorectal surgery. I think this is the first book of this kind in colorectal surgery.

This book contains chapters like History of Colorectal Surgery and Predisposing Factors for Colon and Rectal Malignancy. The topics on Anal Stenosis, Necrotizing Fasciitis, Polyps of Colon and Rectum and Carcinoma of the Anal Region are by Dr S Vadamalayan. The major object of the book has not been to cover all colorectal diseases and important topics are discovered with an eye on future editions, feedback both positive and negative aspect is appreciated. Please send the comments through Email: pslingam2005@yahoo.co.in

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