

Book Reviews

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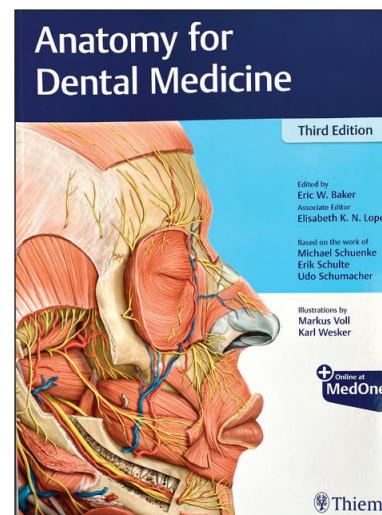
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Dental medicine is a highly specialized field and, therefore, dental medicine students need to study anatomy in a way that is tailored to the specific needs of the field. In modern anatomical curricula, applicability for clinical practice has become an imperative and it is difficult to find a quality anatomy textbook designed for dental medicine students that fulfills this important criterion. "Anatomy for Dental Medicine" by Eric W. Baker et al. (3rd edition), is a book structured with the aim of covering both classical anatomical concepts, while at the same time having sufficient clinical applicability and demonstrating the relevance of anatomy in every-day practice.

The book is didactically well-organized, first explaining more basic concepts and the systemic anatomy of the head in chapters 1 – 4, and then elaborating in more detail the topographic anatomy of the head through a regional approach in chapters 5 – 10, with the oral cavity and surrounding spaces being expanded upon compared to traditional anatomical textbooks. After that, the anatomy of the neck is covered in chapters 11 – 13, while chapter 14 showcases the sectional anatomy of the head and neck and serves as both a revision of previous chapters as well as an integration with the radiology of the head and neck. Compared to previous editions, the third edition gives additional emphasis on radiology images to enhance the clinical relevance of the material. The anatomy of the limbs and trunk is shown in chapter 15. The appendices also represent valuable resources for students – Appendix A focuses on the anatomy of local anesthesia for dentistry, while Appendices B and C consist of questions for self-evaluation with answers and explanations at the end of each appendix.

The main advantages of this book are: high-quality anatomical drawings and radiology images, well-structured tables that systematize the key anatomical concepts, and good clinical relevance for future dental professionals. A slight downside to this resource is that it is structured as a sort of hybrid between an atlas and a textbook, however, there is insufficient supporting text for the book to adequately function as a stand-alone anatomical textbook. This is particularly the case for the parts pertaining to the anatomy of the trunk and limbs, where additional resources are needed to cover the material – at least for anatomical curricula that still teach these segments to dental students. Nevertheless, this book functions extremely well as an expanded atlas that can also be used for quick repetition and systematic organization of the course material.

In conclusion, "Anatomy for Dental Medicine" is a valuable resource for dental medicine students with clinical applicability and should be useful for revision even for experienced clinical practitioners.



Dentalna medicina visoko je specijalizirano područje i zato studenti dentalne medicine trebaju proučavati anatomiju na način prilagođen specifičnim potrebama područja. U suvremenim anatomske kurikulima primjenjivost u kliničkoj praksi postala je imperativ i teško je pronaći kvalitetan udžbenik anatomije namijenjen studentima dentalne medicine koji ispunjava taj važan kriterij. *Anatomija za dentalnu medicinu* Erica W. Bakera i suradnika (3. izdanje) knjiga je strukturirana tako da obuhvaća oba klasična anatomska pojma, a istodobno je dovoljno klinički primjenjiva te ističe važnost anatomije u svakodnevnoj praksi.

Knjiga je didaktički dobro organizirana – najprije se od 1. do 4. poglavlja objašnjavaju temeljniji pojmovi i sistemska anatomija glave, a zatim se detaljnije razrađuje topografska anatomija glave na temelju regionalnog pristupa. Od 5. do 10. poglavlja opisano je proširivanje usne šupljine i okolnih prostora u usporedbi s tradicionalnim anatomskim udžbenicima. Anatomija vrata obradena je od 11. do 13. poglavlja, a u 14. poglavljju tema je anatomija presjeka glave i vrata te služi kao revizija prethodnih poglavlja i ističe se integracija s radiologijom glave i vrata. U usporedbi s dosadašnjim izdanjima, u trećem izdanju dodatni je naglasak na radiološkim slikama kako bi se poboljšala klinička važnost prezentiranog materijala. Anatomija udova i trupa prikazana je u 15. poglavljju. Dodaci su također vrijedni kad je riječ o studentima. Tako je Dodatak A usredotočen na anatomiju lokalne anestezije za stomatologiju, a dodaci B i C sadržavaju pitanja za samoevaluaciju s odgovorima i objašnjenjima na kraju svakog dodatka.

Glavne prednosti ove knjige su visokokvalitetni anatomske crteži i radiološke slike, dobro strukturirane tablice koje sistematiziraju ključne anatomske koncepte te dobra klinička važnost za buduće stomatološke stručnjake. Neznačiti nedostatak jest to što je strukturirana kao svojevrsni hibrid između atlasa i udžbenika, no nema dovoljno popratnog teksta da bi mogla biti samostalni anatomski udžbenik. To se posebno odnosi na dijelove o anatomiji trupa i udova, gdje su potrebiti dodatni resursi barem za nastavne planove i programe iz anatomije koji su još uvijek valjani. Ipak, ova knjiga iznimno je dobra kao prošireni atlas koji se može koristiti za brzo ponavljanje i sustavnu organizaciju gradiva.

I na kraju, *Anatomija za dentalnu medicinu* dragocjen je izvor podataka za studente dentalne medicine, klinički je primjenjiva i trebala bi biti korisna čak i iskusnim kliničkim liječnicima.