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PREFACE

A multidisciplinary approach to the problems related to the diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation of patients with oral cancer and precancer is reflected in the various specialties of the authors who contributed to this book. Today, patients with tumors of the oral cavity are dealt with preferably by a team of specialists who have been properly trained in the field of oncology, who have learned to appreciate each other's knowledge and experience, and who are able to operate as an integrated team.

This book is intended for use by every physician and dentist involved in the diagnosis and management of oral cancer. It is presented in such a way as to be useful for both the physician in training as well as the specialist in the field of head and neck oncology. The text concentrates on the common as well as the unusual aspects. For those who look for more detailed information, an extensive list of references is provided at the end of each chapter.

It should be emphasized that treatment policies may vary not only in different parts of the world, but also from institution to institution, depending on the expertise of the members of the oncologic team and the available facilities.

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