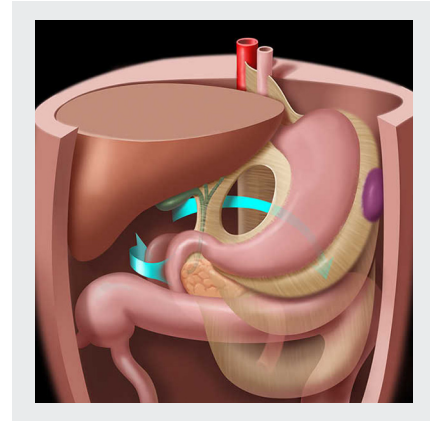


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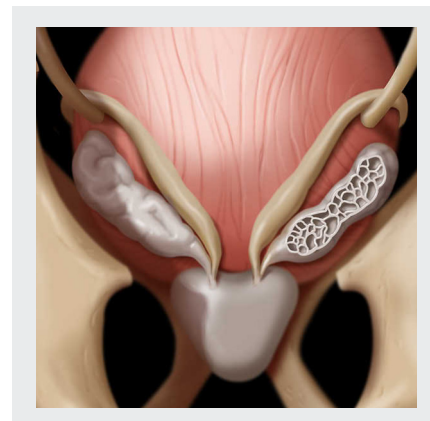
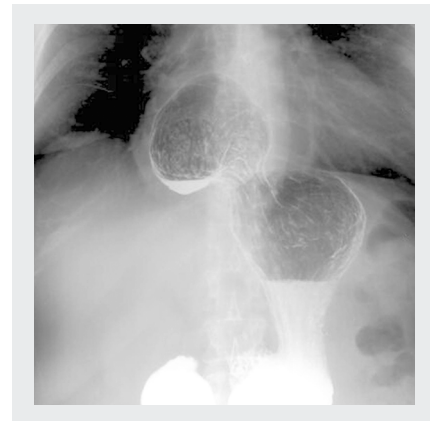
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Preface

In his elegant foreword to the first edition of this book, Professor Morton Meyers related the evolution of our understanding of human anatomy, from Vesalius' *Fabrica* through the many contributions of surgeons, such as Harvey Cushing, who wrote that "...from the publication of the *Fabrica* almost to the present day the intimate pursuit of...anatomy has constituted the high road for entry into the practice of surgery." Meyers went on to write, "Today it is the radiologist who is most facile with highly detailed anatomy, and who...demonstrates this in vivo. Dissectional anatomy has been superseded by cross-sectional anatomy."

In the decade since the publication of the first edition of this book, our ability to define normal and abnormal anatomy of the chest, abdomen, and pelvis has continued to advance. An example is the major improvement in MR evaluation of the pelvis, depicting in multiple planes with unprecedented detail the pertinent anatomical alterations that may result in pelvic floor laxity, urinary and fecal incontinence, and perianal fistulas. Similar advances have been made in the multimodality depiction of anatomic structures throughout the body, and these have been incorporated into this second edition of *Imaging Anatomy*.

As with the first edition, we feature what Meyers deemed "exquisite, museum-quality illustrations," paired with the imaging modalities most relevant to the understanding of human anatomy in health and disease.

We hope that the efforts of our radiologist authors and talented medical illustrators will make the anatomy of the chest, abdomen, and pelvis "come alive" for our readers.

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