Book Review: Diseases of the Nose, Sinuses, and Skull Base

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This book presents a fantastic comprehensive approach to modern rhinology management from the leaders in a field that has significantly evolved over the [last] 10 years. The book provides an academic science approach to the field of rhinology.

Diseases of the Nose, Sinuses, and Skull Base, a major reference covering current knowledge on the pathogenesis as well as the medical and surgical management of sinonasal and skull base disorders. It offers in-depth coverage of all key topics in the subspecialty of rhinology, ranging from rhinosinusitis to endoscopic skull base reconstruction and more.

**Key Features:**

- Comprehensive coverage of sinonasal anatomy and physiology, as well as the medical and surgical aspects of sinonasal disease and skull base tumors
- A substantial section on surgical methods for treating skull base disorders, including endoscopic skull base surgery
- A DVD containing 21 professionally produced videos, and showing various contributors demonstrating the key pearls and pitfalls of surgical techniques discussed in the book
- One hundred detailed color illustrations by medical artist Christine Gralapp, along with over 600 photos and x-rays

Diseases of the Nose, Sinuses, and Skull Base is a worthwhile well-organized textbook written by 134 authors, and edited by D. Kennedy and P. Hwang. This single volume textbook features an up-to-date review of sinonasal anatomy and physiology, as well as medical and surgical aspects of diseases of the nose, sinuses, and related skull base.

The textbook has 54 chapters, divided into 4 sections covering a wide array of topics. Each chapter ends with an excellent recent list of references.

The first section (4 chapters) deals with sinonasal anatomy and physiology, chapter on imaging of paranasal sinuses and skull base, and another chapter on objective measures of nasal functions.

The second section (16 chapters) discusses medical aspects of inflammatory sinonasal diseases, principles of allergy skin testing and immunotherapy and chapter on management of recalcitrant rhinosinusitis.

The third section (19 chapters) concentrates on surgical aspects of sinonasal diseases including a chapter on surgical navigation and intraoperative imaging is valuable for experienced rhinologists and skull base surgeons.

The last section (14 chapters) discusses up to date endoscopic surgery of the anterior and central skull base and is especially interesting for experienced rhinologists. The section includes also endoscopic approaches to the odontoid, clivus, and posterior fossa Overall, Rhinology: Diseases of the Nose, Sinuses, and Skull Base is a welcome addition to the libraries. This multimedia reference is the definitive go-to guide for rhinology residents as well as a comprehensive reference for practicing otolaryngologists and neurosurgeons who wish to expand their surgical expertise, techniques, and successfully manage their patients with sinonasal and skull base disorders.