**Book Review** 

## Surface replacement of the hip

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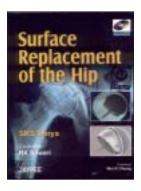


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The advances in techniques, implants, instrumentation and imaging have assured long-term success of joint replacement surgery. The higher incidence of painful hips in the young is the greatest challenge a joint replacement surgeon faces today, due to issues related to loosening, wear and bone loss. The past 20 years have indicated the need to research for bone conservation, and surface replacement of the hip is one of the most rewarding techniques.

Surface replacement in properly chosen patients offers the ideal solution to restore near-normal function in the hip, permitting almost all activities of daily living. The technique is demanding and needs precise planning, proper training and selection of the right patient. The book recently published by Dr. S. K. S. Marya is a unique contribution towards enhancing understanding of this technique. On going through the book, the surgeon is made to understand

the absolute and important aspects of anatomy and biomechanics, the historical aspects and essentials of proper execution of surgery in great details in 13 chapters. The book is presented as a picturesque atlas, which one finds very easy to understand and assimilate. It is a unique effort by the author to enable aspiring arthroplasty surgeons interested in joint replacement surgery to understand the finer points to achieve the desired results. A 1-hour video on live surgical technique and sawbones is available. The book is useful to make the postgraduates aware of the importance of bone conservation. In my opinion, this book must find a place in the library of every college, mainly because of its concept, clarity and quality of presentation. For aspiring joint replacement surgeons desirous of learning and performing surface replacement, this book is a good reference.

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