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Foreword

This thoughtful compilation of basic microsurgical techniques and exercises to hone one's skills is a welcome practical addition for trainees and young neurosurgeons. Although there is never an age at which practice is not beneficial, it is when one is starting out that it is most important to make sure that basic skills are at their peak. I strongly believe that we have an obligation to our patients to be the best surgeons that we can be and, considering how the endless hours spent in the laboratory practicing bypass techniques have resulted in better patency and faster anastomoses in the operating room, this can only be attained through repetitive microsurgical practice in the laboratory. This volume simplifies this effort by providing a menu of different and progressively challenging exercises that you can practice to be at your best. I recommend this volume with enthusiasm.

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