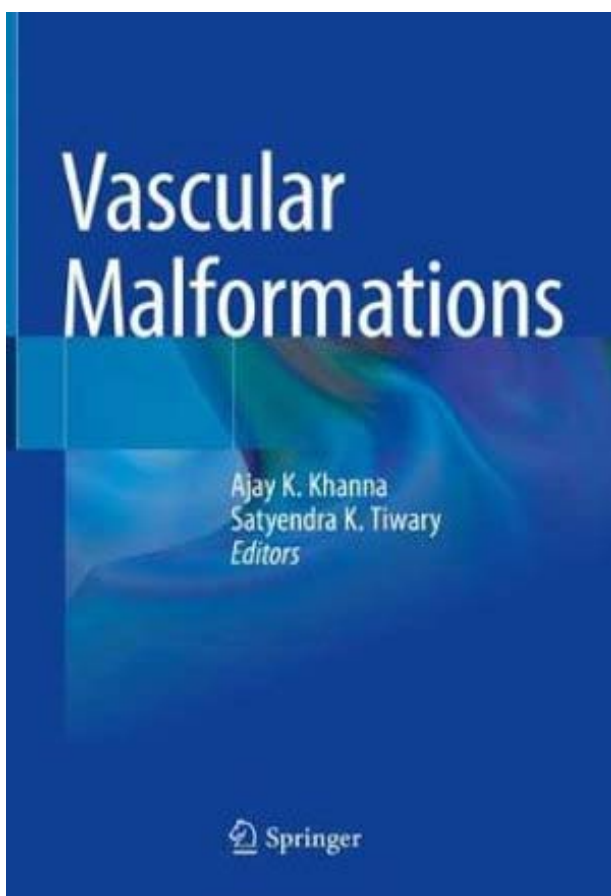


Book Review



Vascular Malformations by Ajay K Khanna, Satyendra Kumar Tiwary (Eds), Vascular Malformations, Springer 2021:1-303. <https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789811597619>, eBook: 117,69 •, Hardcover : 145,59 •

VASCULAR Malformations are fairly common disfiguring conditions which are a perplexing and challenging problem to manage. Though benign in nature, they are difficult to treat and in many cases, impossible to cure. It would require decades of experience and loads of wisdom before one can even think of writing on such an esoteric topic. Prof Ajay K Khanna, former Head of the Department of General Surgery at the Institute of Medical Sciences (IMS), Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Varanasi, India has written several books on vascular surgery such as Manual of Vascular Surgery (Jaypee), Ulcers of the Lower Extremity (Springer) and Varicose Veins Current Trends (Springer) and is an Internationally renowned expert on vascular diseases. He has now brought out a 300-page richly-illustrated monograph on vascular malformations in which a galaxy of authors from all over the country and even abroad (Bangladesh, Nepal, Poland, South Korea and USA) have covered history, epidemiology, approach, investigations and management, including medical, surgical, laser, endovascular and radiological, of various types of vascular malformations in general. In addition,

each vascular malformation is individually addressed in one of the 22 chapters. Even genetics and quality of life issues have been covered.

The only deficiency I could find in the otherwise exhaustive book was no mention of filaria/ filarial/filariasis (probably because the chapter on lymphatic malformations is written by authors from Poland; an editorial note on the topic from the Editors should be appended in the next edition).

While it does suffer from the usual problems of non-uniformity of size (length of the chapter ranges from a mere 8 to as many 42 pages) and quality (Chapter 15 has 40 images while Chapter 14 has no images at all) of chapters of a multi-author book, Dr Khanna and his co-editor Dr Satyendra K Tiwary, need to be complimented for having produced a virtual treatise on such an important, yet neglected, group of disorders. Vascular Malformations will become an authoritative reference book for managing patients and for reporting interesting cases with vascular malformations; it should find a place in the library of any Medical Institution all over the world.

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