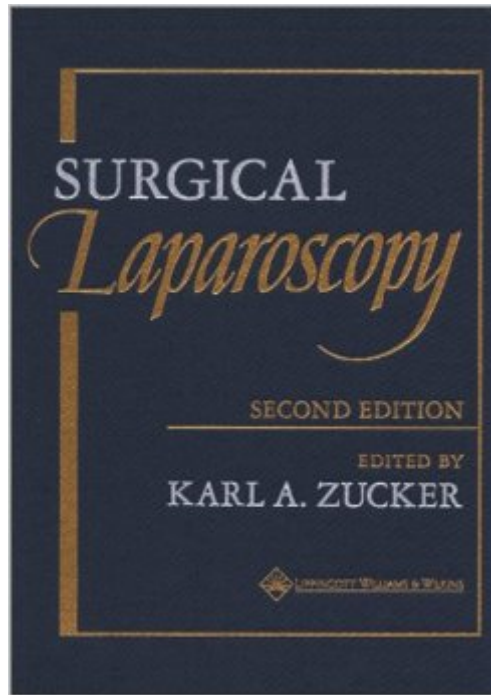


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This is a situation that most medical students will recognise. You've been humiliated by a surgeon in theatre and you desperately need to brush up on the anatomy of the wrist but you're tired, you're hungry, it's late and you just can't face trawling through a big anatomy text book to find the tiny pieces of information that your consultant will appreciate. Anatomy Recall is the answer to their prayers. Crammed into this relatively slim book is just about all the material that you'd expect to find in a standard anatomy tome. The difference here is that the information is provided in edible chunks. The entire book is laid out in a question and answer format, dramatically increasing the fact:word ratio and boosting your ability to recall it when quizzed. Diagrams are only included where absolutely necessary (brachial plexus etc) and contents, indexes and other 'wasted' pages are cut to a minimum. This means that the book is small enough to fit into a white-coat pocket. However, there are probably more important things to occupy the bulging pockets of medical students and this book will stay on the shelf by day. Even so, the small size and bite-size nature of the text means

that this book is perfect for reading on the bus, over breakfast or anywhere else that you can snatch a few moments. At the end of each chapter is a 'power review' section providing the most salient and memorable points for when time is really short. There is even a handy bookmark provided to allow you to cover the question answers for self-testing. The authors claim that Anatomy Recall and a good anatomy atlas are all a preclinical student would need to learn anatomy.

As a big fan of the recall series, let me talk to you about my particular experience with the Anatomy Recall. I bought the book in 2002 while I was doing my second anatomy course. In my first anatomy course at KFUPM in Dammam 2001, we practically had to memorize the whole Snell's Anatomy textbook regardless of how significant the details were as there was the possibility that anything might appear in the MCQs or in our essay questions. For those who read Snell's as undergraduate students would realize how hard the task was. It was very easy to fall into the trap of trying to memorize everything with the same level of priority and missing the essential information among the loads of the insignificant details. I had very hard time with anatomy then. In my second course at Otago University, I bought the book and was amazed how my life was made extremely much easier with the book. It helped my anatomy in three ways. First, it had enabled me to make sure that the must-know essentials have been covered with the appropriate priority level, which meant more efficient way of studying with regard to time spent to outcome ratio. Secondly, it had provided me the skeleton or the framework of the basic knowledge that I could build on using textbooks which potentially can be very helpful for answering your essay questions if you develop a clear framework of the subject you would like to write about. The third way was as a memory aid facilitated by the writing style used in the form of simple questions and answers. This style of writing makes it very easy to read without the need of the great level of concentration and ability to follow the thought line of the writer needed in the essay format. That makes an excellent book as a light reading.

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