

Many breast reconstruction books are currently available, some are comprehensive textbooks with topics ranging from basic theories to various surgical techniques whereas some focus on certain aspects of breast reconstruction, such as autologous breast reconstruction and reoperative breast surgery for complications and asymmetry.

AME invited us to compile a book about oncologic breast reconstruction and provided numerous articles recently published in the journal of *Gland Surgery*. These valuable reviews and original articles were written by renowned experts from various parts of the world. They can provide not only novel ideas and technology, but also allow readers to understand the development of breast reconstruction in these regions.

Although these papers are independent publications, we find that they can also be organized into certain categories, from anatomy to preoperative evaluation, surgical approaches, and the state-of-art breast reconstructive technologies in a systematic fashion. At the same time, this book also covers oncoplastic surgery in the era of breast conservation and conservative mastectomy in the treatment of breast cancer. Therefore, we believe that this will be a welcome book for breast surgeons and plastic surgeons alike.

In this book, we try to use a novel compilation method to make it rather unique and different from other monographs with the same topic. Apart from the academic authority of this book, developmental characteristics are also reflected, which is a unique feature of breast reconstructive surgery. We sincerely hope that readers can benefit from the variety of technologies and concepts in this book and appreciate the aesthetic value of the operations and the humane care for breast cancer patients. With this purpose, we anticipate that this book be updated regularly in the future.

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