Book Review
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The first part of volume 4 (Larynx) presents, in an updated form, a basic text on laryngology:
anatomy, physiology and pathophysiology of the larynx; indirect and direct laryngoscopy as well
as functional tests used in phoniatričs. A chapter on acute and chronic laryngitis (including the
rare and therefore easily overlooked specific types like tuberculosis and syphilis of the larynx) is
followed by a rather short but important treatise on injuries of the larynx and the trachea
(diagnosis and management). Even shorter but equally instructive is the comprehensive
discussion of recurrent laryngeal nerve surgery which carries the mark of competent authors with
a great experience in the field of reconstructive nerve surgery.
Chapters on functional disorders of the voice and speech pathology complete this volume. These
subjects, sometimes neglected but notwithstanding integral parts of laryngology, are presented
by experts who provide concise information essential for the understanding of speech and voice
disturbances. Particularly instructive and even entertaining is the treatise on the functional
problems of actors and singers as seen from the angle of the laryngologist. Illustrations are
generous and complementary to the text in every instance. Comprehensive reference material is
included for further study. All those who have subscribed to the second edition of this series of
ORL handbooks are looking forward to the publication of the second part of volume 4 which will
complete this second edition.
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