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The meeting on 'Radiotherapy of Ocular Disease' in Berlin as the 'First Meeting on Special Aspects of Radiotherapy' organized by the Departments of Radiotherapy and Ophthalmology of the University Hospital Benjamin Franklin and the Department of Radiotherapy of the Charité focused on the treatment of malignant and benign ocular diseases. Great advances have been made during the last years in surgical techniques, knowledge of pathology, diagnostic techniques and experience with radiotherapy for ocular diseases. The development of sophisticated methods of diagnostics, planning and treatment represent the sophisticated technical and medical standards of both cooperating disciplines in an extremely specialized field of oncology and ophthalmology. The results of current brachy- and teletherapy techniques are encouraging and demonstrate the magnitude of change in terms of diagnosis and management of ocular diseases and therefore represent a significant contribution in cancer management.

We hope this textbook will update the information currently available thus providing valuable reading for the community of radiation oncologists and ophthalmologists and hopefully help further improve the radiotherapy of ocular diseases.

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