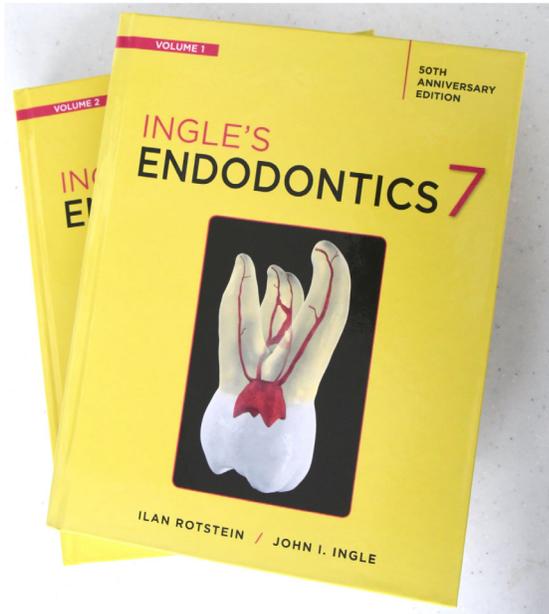


## Book Review

Book Review: Ingle's Endodontics 7<sup>th</sup> edition



In its seventh avatar, the bright yellow covered textbook, Ingle's Endodontics, has been published recently, and for the first time, was made available in two volumes. Since its first edition, the discipline of Endodontology has grown substantially including developments in the understanding of anatomy, imaging, diagnosis, technology, material science and aspects of treatment. In this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary landmark edition, the text continues to serve as the reference standard for the basic and advanced tenets of Endodontology education at both the undergraduate and post graduate levels. With a global author contributor panel, each section provides a unique perspective of the contemporary theory and practice of the specialty and has been extensively referenced to aid the reader with the appropriate evidence base. Of special note is the relatively easy to read format of the text, with focused bite sized chapters which seek to stimulate the avid reader with a visual tapestry featuring numerous illustrations and summary tables. The first volume bears a new section entitled 'Clinical

Decision Making' that continues to carry important chapters from the 6<sup>th</sup> edition and also features new additions such as 'Treatment Planning and Case Selection' and also 'Endodontic Considerations in Dental Trauma'. The book not only covers the management of the immature tooth, but also recognizes the rapid advances being made in the field of regenerative endodontics over the past 10 years which has been addressed through a separate chapter with inclusion of recent developments, protocols and outcomes in this sphere. With advances in medicine, there has been a rapid increase in the ageing population in Europe and also across the world. This has undoubtedly increased the burden of oral health care and also endodontic treatment. The issues associated with the geriatric patient have also been highlighted in the section on interdisciplinary endodontics.

The book is an attractive collection of a comprehensive understanding of the discipline. It carries with it a 'brand' value, making it synonymous with the very best in the field. Ingle's Endodontics will go through several incarnations in the future, but this edition will always remain rather special for the professional community for it bears with it John Ingle's last editorship of the book. In his passing, Endodontology has lost a leading luminary, and through this book, his academic legacy will continue to thrive. From the 'Pull and Be Damned' era of the sixties, current evidence in various aspects of dentistry reinforces the importance of the preservation of the dentition, and Ingle's Endodontics, with Prof. Rotstein's co editorship, will continue guiding not just the specialist but also the general dental practitioner in their clinical practice. The contemporary focus of each aspect of the subject stands out as the hallmark feature throughout the text and this book will serve as the *tour de force* for Endodontology. A must read.

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