

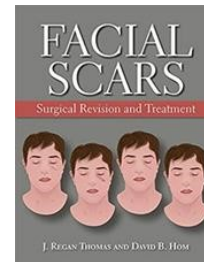
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Facial Scars: Surgical Revision and Treatment

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At A Glance

Facial Scars: Surgical Revision and Treatment is a comprehensive treatment of scar revision, starting with the anatomy of the scar and its formation in wound healing. Fetal and pediatric skin scarring as well as scarring in different types of skin and in medical conditions that produce a higher risk of scarring. The text considers the range of surgical and nonsurgical treatments for scars currently available and also presents research for future treatments.

Reviewer: Jeffrey Rosenthal, MD (Bridgeport Hospital)

Description

The authors have fashioned an informative book that reviews in detail the wound healing process and the technical maneuvers necessary to afford patients optimal healing and limited scar formation.

Purpose

The purpose is to present an organized methodology including basic concepts and surgical and nonsurgical techniques that would enhance skin closure and subsequent scar formation. The principles that the authors present, if followed, fulfill the objectives.

Audience

The authors and contributors demonstrate a deep fund of knowledge about the factors that control wound healing and the procedures necessary to limit scar formation. Students, physicians, and their assistants who deal with facial procedures will get an informed perspective that will help them in minimizing facial scarring.

Features

The first of the book's four sections is on basic considerations and offers an understanding of the body's approach to healing from the fetal stage to the mature adult. The section on concepts of facial skin wound

treatment encompass the use of anesthetics and the manner in which to incise, plan, and close wounds. The final sections offer a plethora of modalities to revise scars. The color plates, illustrations, and organization of the chapters are superb. There is some overlap of information, but this is to be expected.

Assessment

This book is easy to understand, tastefully presented, and worthwhile reading for those who wish offer patients optimal wound healing and scar results.

1-10	Are the author's objectives met?	10
1-10	Rate the worthiness of those objectives.	10
1-5	Is this written at an appropriate level?	5
1-5	Is there significant duplication? (1=significant, 5=insignificant)	3
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1-5	Rate the helpfulness of the index.	5
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1-10	Is this a worthwhile contribution to the field?	10
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