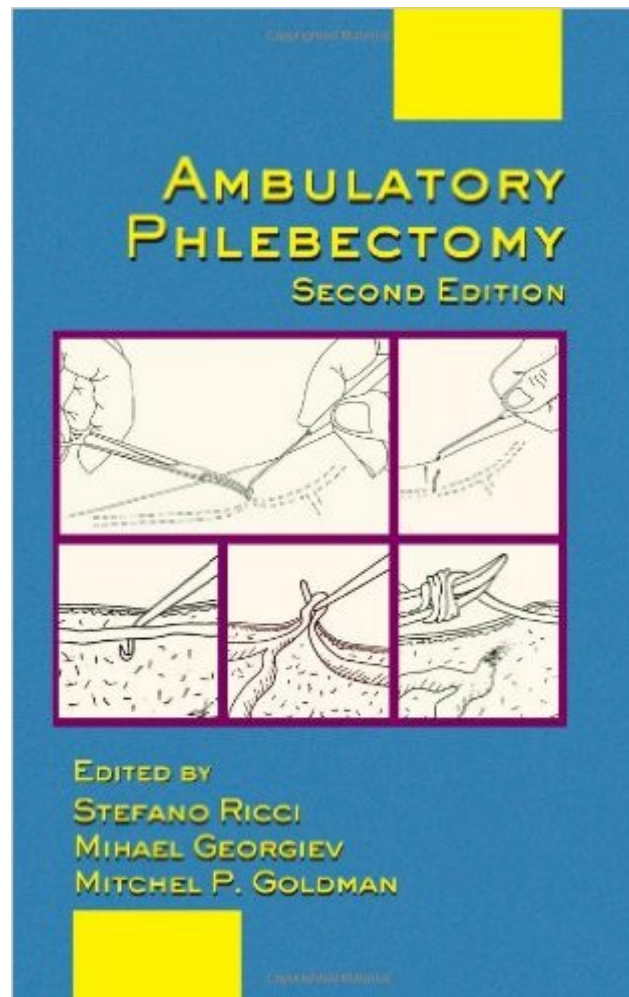


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The only text specifically devoted to the subject, this Second Edition serves as a complete and practical guide for office-based surgical treatment of varicose veins-providing numerous illustrations showcasing the anatomy of varicose veins, as well as step-by-step coverage of the ambulatory phlebectomy technique.

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This book provides an excellent description of the anatomy, pathophysiology and in-office management of varicose veins. The authors explore the original seminal work by Dr. Robert Muller that has revolutionized the minimally invasive removal of varicose veins and apply their own renditions of those techniques. The authors explain the anatomy of venous disease, and point out the most common patterns of varicose veins based on their voluminous experience. The use of non-invasive diagnostic techniques is explored, but only briefly. There is an excellent discussion of the use of local infiltrative anesthesia that allows for these procedures to be done in the office setting. Both standard infiltration and tumescent anesthesia techniques are detailed.

Recommendations for allowable dosages of topical agents are made and validated with their large clinical experiences. Only after a thorough discussion of the anatomical basis of the disease and the means of diagnosing the problem do the authors actually begin delving into their techniques of ambulatory phlebectomy in Chapter 9. As opposed to the use of large incisions, previously the

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