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Preface

Many physicians and patients do not believe that dermatology involves life-threatening situations; however, there are many emergencies that the dermatologist needs to address, and many cutaneous diseases in the emergency room that require rapid dermatologic consultation. The dermatologist is frequently the first physician to examine such patients before a hospital admission and also the first to identify a critical situation, stabilize the patient, and choose urgent and appropriate intervention. The first chapters of this book are directed toward those dermatologists who care for hospitalized patients with severe and dangerous skin diseases. Later chapters are intended for all physicians, including dermatologists, who wish to hone their diagnostic skills, expand their knowledge and understanding of pathologic events, and learn treatment options available for acute life-threatening skin diseases. This book brings together top dermatologists from around the world to address the complicated and multifaceted field of dermatologic emergencies for both the practicing dermatologist and emergency physician.

The second edition provides information and concepts that have appeared since the initial publication of *Emergency Dermatology*. New illustrations have been added, and significant references have been updated.

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