



DIAGNOSIS AND MANAGEMENT OF HIV/AIDS

A CLINICIAN'S PERSPECTIVE

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KEY SELLING POINTS

- ◆ First major study from Indian viewpoint of this global problem
- ◆ High level, academically rigorous
- ◆ Inexpensive and valuable contribution to our knowledge of the subject

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The tragic proliferation of HIV/AIDS on the Indian sub-continent is a matter of international concern. This is the first comprehensive Indian work on HIV/AIDS, with each contributing author an expert in their field of specialisation. It comprehensively covers the issues and complexities of this virus/disease, keeping in view the social and cultural backgrounds, constrained financial and infrastructural resources, and the peculiar and distinct HIV strains, as compared to other countries.

It presents the spectrum of latest information, from basic HIV science to diagnosis, management and ethical and legal issues, and contains suitable figures and flowcharts for easy comprehension.

It covers the application and efficacy of antiretroviral therapy, the management of opportunistic infections, AIDS and tuberculosis, and discusses the monitoring of immune functions and viral load.

The book also deals with non-clinical issues, such as the correct approach to an HIV patient, home-based care, and confidential voluntary counselling. There is an emphasis on HIV infection in women and children, prevention of transmission through various routes, post-exposure prophylaxis and bio-safety practices, and finally a chapter on the current status of HIV vaccines under trial

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