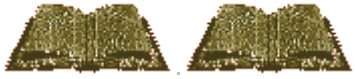
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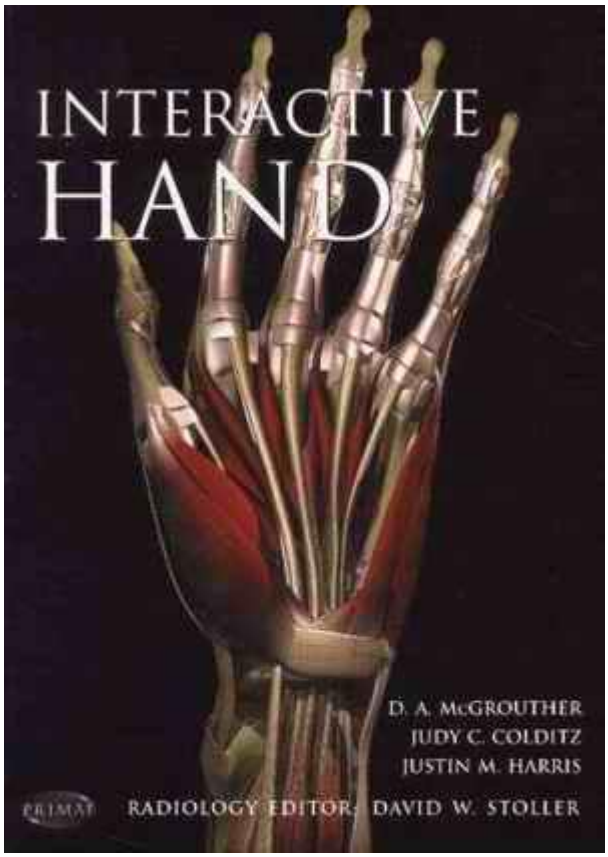




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The CD of the Interactive Hand starts with the anatomy of the hand and forearm. The models give a clear picture of the anatomy of a particular region. It can be of immense clinical importance to micro-surgeons. The demonstration of movements like flexion of the middle finger is a unique feature which shall help the beginner to understand the movements better. Usually the anatomy teacher demonstrates such movements to the student but time and again he/she has to repeat it. After having seen the CD no student will ever trouble the teacher to demonstrate such actions repeatedly . Perhaps no textbook of Anatomy would have described it better than the present presentation.

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The palm is difficult to dissect in the cadavers and often the student misses the identification of the small muscles. The dissected palm shows clearly all the structures and any learner would understand the anatomy with a clear conception. The action of the muscles of the forearm are noteworthy to mention. The image labels are praiseworthy.

The dissection slides are excellent and it seems as if the dissected specimen has been displayed before the learner. The MRI pictures give a clear picture and it is easy to understand the subject. The Quiz section is an appropriate exercise to test the recapitulated knowledge of the subject.

Problem based learning exercises if added in future would be beneficial to all readers. The CD has some clear presentations on the subject of Anatomy and the authors deserve the credit for such hard work. As an anatomist I have the pleasure to recommend the CD for any beginner, student or clinician in day to day practice.



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