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# LUNG FUNCTIONS IN HEALTH AND DISEASE BASIC AND APPLIED WITH MCQs

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This book is dedicated to my parents, wife and children for their continuous encouragement in my life

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### PREFACE

To understand the basic and clinical applications of lung functions in health and disease is an important area for undergraduate, postgraduate medical students and also clinicians. Lung function tests measure the lung volumes and flows and demonstrate the effects of obstruction or restriction on lung functions. The evaluation of lung function is a common practice in all clinical settings and is an essential element of respiratory medical surveillance program.

While writing this book, it was aimed to cover both basic and clinical aspects of lung function test parameters and their clinical applications. I have emphasized on the clinical aspects of the lung function test parameters and provided explanations with detailed descriptions and with explanatory comments, flow charts, figures and MCQs.

Another valuable aspect of this book is the incorporation of a large number of tables and figures. These aids, parallel to the text, provide tips and points which ultimately lead to a grip of the concept of lung functions. Such aids in the book facilitate learning and help in understanding the basic and clinical concept and significance of the topic.

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