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The anatomical basis of dentistry, 3rd edn (2010)

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This glossy book of 510 pages covers the complete anatomy of the human body in 11 well-presented chapters. Four of them are dedicated to the anatomy of the head and neck, while the remaining chapters cover a wide range of topics, and are arranged in simple sections: the back, the thorax, the abdomen, the pelvis and perineum, and the upper and lower limb. Of particular interest is the chapter on applied anatomy in which clinical concepts are arranged with anatomical descriptions. This includes aspects of local anaesthesia and radiographic interpretation. Each chapter, in addition to offering a clear description of the anatomical features of the different districts, contains clinical notes and paragraphs that make practitioners aware of concepts related to dental practice.

The text is arranged in double column format that makes navigation easy. The colour-coded index aids in identification of the correct sections. The iconography is very clear and the use of three-dimensional shaped images makes the text fascinating.

The book is a good tool for students who wish to have a clear understanding of human anatomy, and it can be recommended as an additional text in training programmes, supporting the study of more challenging and detailed books of anatomy.

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