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This book is based on the experiences of the Neuropathology Service of the Department of Los Angeles County Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner's Office over many decades. It provides visual examples and, in the form of a manual, answers some of the most frequently asked questions that arise regarding neuropathologic findings in forensic casework. The book provides a practical summary of selected forensic neuropathology topics. It consists of 17 chapters. Chapter 1 contains selected gross and microscopic examination considerations. Chapter 2 deals with developmental considerations. The aging of common lesions (chapter 3) is not usually emphasized in current textbooks on neuropathology, but it is very important in forensic work. The following two chapters deal with the neuropathology of pregnancy as well as malformations and other congenital

lesions of the central nervous system. Major points of forensic interest are represented in chapters 6–9 which reflect gross and microscopic pathology of head injuries. Further chapters are on sudden unexpected death, responses of the central nervous system to acute hypoxic–ischemic injury and related conditions, vascular diseases and infections of the central nervous system, brain tumors, neurodegenerative and demyelinating disorders, complications of medical procedures, and miscellaneous topics.

The colored (gross and microscopic) pictures are of an excellent quality. The text is very clear and didactically arranged.

The book can be recommended to forensic and clinical pathologists, neuropathologists, and to individuals in allied fields, such as law enforcement officers and attorneys.

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