

A diver in a blue tank and black gear is swimming underwater, holding a flashlight that illuminates the scene. The background is a deep blue with many small, light-colored fish swimming around.

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Preface to the third edition

CE: We are going to have to run a sixth printing of our *Diving and Subaquatic Medicine* text. How about doing a third edition instead?

CL: No way. I am too busy.

CE: How about if we only write on rainy days, when it should not interfere with surfing or sailboarding?

CL: I suppose I could handle that.

JP: You agreed that the second edition was to be the last.

CE: I lied.

JP: Don't you think that there are now enough diving medical books on the market?

CE: Would you really want your doctors to have to rely on the other texts to learn how to treat injured divers?

JP: OK, but under protest.

CE: Is there any other way?

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For more than twenty years and over two editions this book has built up a well-deserved reputation as an advanced and informative book on clinical diving medicine. Written for all doctors and paramedics responsible for the medical needs of divers both on or under the water, it has also found a wider readership among those who have a serious interest in diving problems.

Now in a larger and more attractive format, the third edition brings the presentation right up to date. Over one-third of the chapters are either new or totally rewritten. The new material covers diving fatalities, diving environments, the female diver, psychological problems, long-term diving disorders, cardiac diseases in diving, submarine medicine, and drugs and diving. Topics carried over from the previous edition have been heavily revised and edited for currency and completeness.

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