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Preface

"A teacher is one who makes himself progressively unnecessary."

- Thomas Carruthers

It is with a great sense of pride that we introduce our endeavor entitled *Pearls and Pitfalls in Head and Neck and Neuro-imaging*. We hope that this book will be fun to read and foster the understanding of difficult diagnoses and common pitfalls in Neuroimaging.

The three authors have different backgrounds and subspecialty Neuroimaging expertise, but have one thing in common – the love and passion for teaching the residents and fellows. This has resulted in accumulation of thousands of teaching files in our respective libraries. Years spent with the trainees in the reading room in wonderful academic institutions have given us an understanding of diagnoses that are commonly missed and imaging findings that are likely to be misinterpreted.

While a number of excellent books exist on the subject and practice of Neuroradiology, a book like this is unique. It aims to cover the lacunae that commonly exist in the knowledge of Neuroimaging and gives clarity to diagnoses that are difficult to make with certainty.

After deciding to proceed with this project, the three of us brainstormed and came up with 106 topics that we wanted to cover. These topics were divided into 19 sections. Each chapter is concise, yet gives a comprehensive overview of the subject matter.

We understand that time is precious and therefore wanted to create a resource that is precise and trustworthy. It is our hope that this treatise is easy to follow, unpretentious, and helpful.

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