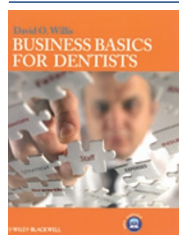


This text offers complete coverage of stem cells in craniofacial development and regeneration highlighted by an unparalleled collection of outstanding, full-colour photographs and highly detailed drawings that clarify procedures. This book is a welcome addition to any library and is an essential reference tool for those engaged in stem cell biology.

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BUSINESS BASICS FOR DENTISTS



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Business basics for dentists provides an interesting overview on managing a successful dental practice and aims to add to the business knowledge and skills of the dentist. David O. Willis, in his preface, notes that this book is primarily for dental students about to graduate or recent graduates who have been out of dental school for five years or less – I would agree. This is a book written to educate the new dentist who is least prepared in practice management. The concepts discussed in the chapters are basic and form a foundation for understanding the financial aspects of the field.

The book is divided into four easy-to-read sections. It is designed for convenient access with clearly defined chapters to make it easy to refer to by the busy practitioner. The well-structured text is complemented with a rich variety of text boxes, summarised tables and graphs. The text in each chapter is based on mainstream concepts tempered with practical suggestions gleaned from the author's experience in working with new and young practitioners.

Chapter eight is primarily based on American laws and regulatory bodies that are not always applicable to dental practice in other parts of the world, but it is not within the remit of this book to do so.

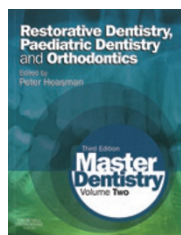
This book contains a particularly interesting chapter on career planning

that many dental students and new graduates will find insightful and thought-provoking. The book aims to provide solutions for many management problems that I could relate to as a practising clinician. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book and learnt a lot of tips that are useful in daily practice.

In summary, a well-structured and written reference book accumulating knowledge of a very experienced clinician enables this book to be of relevance to the newly qualified dentist and a tool to reinforce well-known concepts with stimulating ideas to the well-established dentist.

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MASTER DENTISTRY. VOLUME 2: RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY, PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY AND ORTHODONTICS, 3RD EDITION



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Revision is a uniquely tough and sometimes lonely place: it is you, 'the books' and a looming deadline; one which gets more ominous as every hour and day passes. The key to success during this time is to concentrate on improving your weaknesses whilst maintaining your strengths – one element to ensuring you get this balance right is the use of quality revision guides such as *Master dentistry, Volume 2*.

This text manages to accomplish the seemingly impossible task of condensing the three large specialties of restorative dentistry, paediatric dentistry and orthodontics into a single compact tome. It achieves this feat by covering the basic undergraduate curriculum without labouring on contentious issues or excessively fine detail. The book has been designed in such a way that once you are roughly familiar with the text you can easily reference back to chapters and topics, each of which sets out key learning objectives at the beginning that helps to keep your revision efficient and relevant to your

learning needs. Each of the 12 chapters cover the essential topics of describing health, clinical assessment, pathology and clinical techniques for treatment, the text is complemented by quality diagrams, pictures and excellent tables.

At the end of each chapter, the inclusion of self-assessments based on popular exam formats is particularly successful and useful as it allows the reader to objectively test their knowledge whilst improving exam technique. The editor's mindfulness of the target audience of this book is further demonstrated by a five-page preface discussing how to get the best out of the book for your revision and how best to prepare for popular exam types.

As a reader who is familiar with the second edition version during my own undergraduate revision sessions, I notice that the third edition is physically smaller in size, but with no reduction in the quantity or quality of the content. Furthermore, the reader can be reassured of the quality of the content as all of the contributing authors are renowned professors, consultants or experts in their field.

This book's applicability to those taking postgraduate examinations such as the MJDF or MFDS examinations is enhanced by the inclusion of additional, unexpected, chapters including implantology, conscious sedation and law and ethics, which are also useful for those general dental practitioners who may be looking to gain a basic grounding before embarking on additional training in these fields.

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