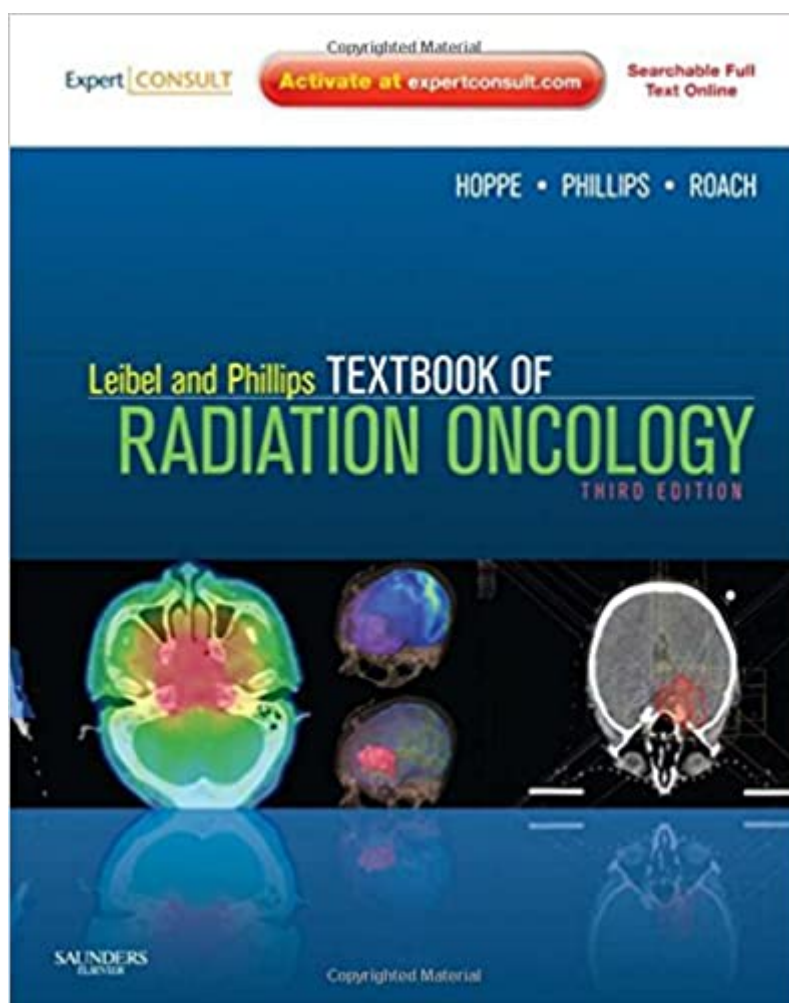


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Stay on top of the latest scientific and therapeutic advances with the new edition of Leibel and Phillips Textbook of Radiation Oncology. Dr. Theodore L. Phillips, in collaboration with two new authors, Drs. Richard Hoppe and Mack Roach, offers a multidisciplinary look at the presentation of uniform treatment philosophies for cancer patients emphasizing the "treat for cure" philosophy. You can also explore the implementation of new imaging techniques to locate and treat tumors, new molecularly targeted therapies, and new types of treatment delivery. Supplement your reading with online access to the complete contents of the book, a downloadable image library, and more at expertconsult.com. Gather step-by-step techniques for assessing and implementing radiotherapeutic options with this comprehensive, full-color, clinically oriented text. Review the basic principles behind the selection and application of radiation as a treatment modality, including radiobiology, radiation physics, immobilization and simulation, high dose rate, and more. Use new imaging techniques to anatomically locate tumors before and during treatment. Apply multidisciplinary treatments with advice from experts in medical, surgical, and radiation oncology. Explore new treatment options such as proton therapy, which can facilitate precise tumor-targeting and reduce damage to healthy tissue and organs. Stay on the edge of technology with new chapters on IGRT, DNA damage and repair, and molecularly targeted therapies. Stay one step ahead with the latest techniques from the newest edition of Leibel & Phillips' *Textbook of Radiation Oncology*.

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Leibel and Philips has consistently been favored by radiation oncology residents as their textbook of choice for many reasons. That is not the goal of this review, however. I bought the kindle version of the textbook. I was absolutely shocked that the kindle version lacked countless figures and tables that are essential to the text. Instead of seeing the figures and tables in their proper place, this kindle book displays a copyright notice that this version of the book couldn't (or didn't???) obtain the rights to include the figure or table. How even lists this kindle book as a buying option is absolutely beyond me. How is anyone supposed to learn from such an advanced level specialty text with countless missing figures and tables? There doesn't seem to be any notice on this fact either on the webpage either. I believe I deserve to get my money back. But thinks this book is fine as it is. Unless you can mentally conjure up the missing figures and tables, save yourself \$180 down the drain and buy the physical copy please.

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I find it very useful for a beginner to have an overview of radiation oncology field. It is also a very useful reference when you have questions.

Excellent text covering all major tumors encountered in radiation oncology practice. Very good reviews of data and most importantly a recommendation.

It will be interesting to see just how long radiological techniques will be used in cancer therapy in the twenty-first century. The role of genetics, particularly gene therapies are making some progress in the treatment of certain types of cancer. There have been some problems with gene therapies, these making the headlines in the major media. Therefore it is probably safe to assume that radiology will have a presence in cancer clinics in the coming decade. It has certainly had a presence throughout the twentieth century, and this book is an indication of its vast use in cancer therapy. Those interested in radiology will find a comprehensive overview. My sole interest in the book was in gaining a background in the biology and physics behind radiation dose calculations in human tissue. Therefore I only read sections 1 and 3 (the latter discussing future modalities) instead of Section 2, which discusses clinical issues, and which are a major portion of the book. Since the book is targeted towards readers who are medical students, physicians, or medical researchers, it is not surprising to find that the physics behind the interaction of radiation with human tissue is only done from a phenomenological perspective. A more in-depth discussion would perhaps not assist physicians in their administration of radiation dose to a patient. The authors do a fine job of relating to the reader what is going on physically when X-rays and particles such as protons, electrons, or heavy ions interact with matter. They also discuss just how to determine the dose delivered to the patient and the dosimetric techniques that are used. A more thorough discussion of the interaction of radiation and particle beams with matter would involve techniques from quantum field theory, bringing the book out of the range of the average medical student. Actually though, in spite of the importance of techniques such as Monte Carlo simulations in determining dose distribution (which the authors discuss briefly), and the role of elementary particle events in these simulations, the literature on radiology physics does not usually approach dose calculation from this fundamental level. The authors take a look at the future of cancer therapies in the last part of the book, and the discussion is fascinating. Some of the areas they discuss are particle radiation therapy involving proton and neutron beams. They discuss the differences from a physical standpoint in the use of these beams as compared to the usual beam modalities. Another area they discuss are gene therapies, and although brief, the authors give the reader an idea of just how this technology works. Looking further into the future, and this is justified by the current incredible rate of technological advancement, one can only wonder what new techniques will be discovered in cancer therapy and prevention. Further improvements in gene therapy using techniques from genetic engineering

comes to mind. Another possibility is nanotechnology. This is an exotic possibility at the present time, but there is every indication that nanotechnology will reach fruition by the end of the second decade of the twenty-first century. Its medical ramifications are awesome.

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