In 21st century, spine surgery has seen expanding horizons and several new techniques have been added to the traditional spinal surgical techniques. Keeping in line with the recent advances, the book ‘Modern Techniques in Spine Surgery’ by Dr. Arvind Bhave, provides the reader wealth of knowledge on the newer techniques in spine surgery.

This is a neatly bound, attractive book that contains thirty eight chapters and covers the important topics in spine surgery. The book has a list of authors from all over the world. Thirty eight chapters are organised according to a particular technique in the modern era of spine surgery. The book covers a wide array of topics in spine surgery ranging from treatment of sacroiliac joint pain syndrome to motion preservation surgery in the cervical spine. The authors have provided their preferred way to do the particular operative procedure. Use of minimally invasive spine surgical techniques and its application in various spinal pathologies are the forte of the book. The chapters are written in detail and many chapters describe minute details necessary for the reader to carry out the procedure. As editor, Dr. Bhave has done an excellent job in making this book easy to read.

The quality of figures is excellent. The colour photographs and radiographs are very good in quality. This book is neatly organised, succinctly written and elegantly illustrated. The book has a DVD containing minimally invasive surgical techniques and is certainly a value addition to the book.

The depth and scope of the book makes it useful to everyone interested in spinal surgery.

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