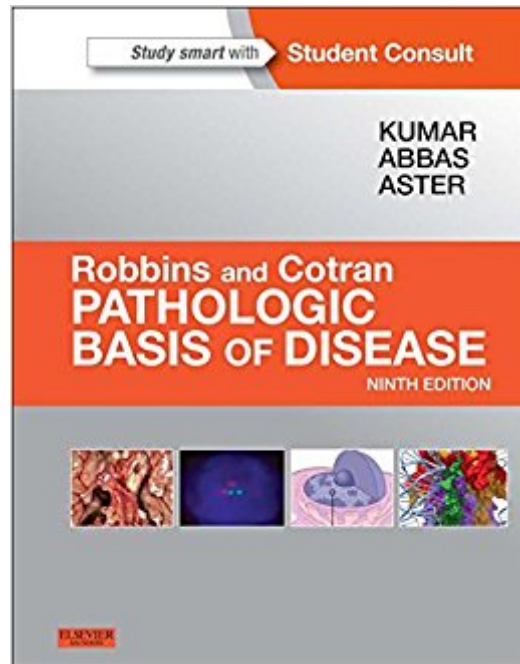


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# Robbins & Cotran Pathologic Basis Of Disease (Robbins Pathology)



## Synopsis

Dependable, current, and complete, Robbins and Cotran Pathologic Basis of Disease, 9th Edition is the perennially best-selling text that you'll use long after your medical student days are behind you. A world-class author team headed by Drs. Vinay Kumar, Abul Abbas, and Jon Aster, delivers the latest, most essential pathology knowledge in a readable, interesting manner, ensuring optimal understanding of the latest basic science and clinical content. High-quality photographs and full-color illustrations highlight new information in molecular biology, disease classifications, new drugs and drug therapies, and much more. Rely on uniquely authoritative and readable coverage, ideal for USMLE or specialty board preparation, as well as for course work. Simplify your study with an outstanding full-color, highly user-friendly design. Stay up to date with the latest information in molecular and genetic testing and mechanisms of disease. Consult new Targeted Therapy boxes online that discuss drug therapy for specific diseases. Gain a new perspective in key areas thanks to contributions from new authors at the top of their fields. Consult this title on your favorite e-reader, conduct rapid searches, and adjust font sizes for optimal readability.

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**A conclusion**The renowned bible of pathology is revised enough to be sold under the title of "new edition." Students may stick to the previous edition (not so many changes to influence studying for the USMLE review). The new edition is more recommended unless you have got one. Though this book becomes easier and more student-friendly as new editions come out, students (including me) may still find the big Robbins difficult without a strong background of basic sciences. For the purpose of USMLE review, the baby Robbins is more than enough. However, I believe all doctors(-to-be), regardless of their specialties, should read this big Robbins at least once in their lifetime, not for the board review, but for a better understanding of medicine.

**Overall changes**

1. "Key Concepts" summary after each section, which may be useful to students.
2. Some tables and figures are revised, most (but not all) of which are better than those from the previous edition.
3. "References" â†' "suggested readings." Updated, selected articles with useful comments (except in Ch26 & 28).
4. A briefer, readable text with better editing. Many minor text revisions are geared toward pathogenesises and clinical features rather than morphologies. Frequent use of bullets and bold texts makes the contents clearer and easier to understand.

**Some of more impressive updates**

**Ch1.** A new chapter, parts of whose materials are assembled from several chapters of the previous edition. More coherent discussion of cell & molecular biology.

**Ch2.** New pathways of cell death, necroptosis and pyroptosis. Updated discussions regarding autophagy. Minor text revisions.

**Ch3.**

I will make this simple and to the point for pretty much everyone who will be looking at this book:

**For Residents/Attendees:** This is an **AMAZING** book as a supplement to high yield information. This book goes into far too much detail for board/entrance/license examinations. However, I would keep it near by as it helps fill in the gaps left behind in other High Yield Books.

**For Medical Students:** Excellent book for the start of second year pathology. However, it is a tremendous amount of information and not everything is high yield for step 1. What is super important about this book is that the illustrations, graphs, and tables are actually extremely **HIGH YIELD**. The book's graphic team did an amazing job of conveying the information needed to understand pathology. Use as a supplement to your other study materials. You will not be disappointed.

**For Undergraduates:** If you are taking introductory pathology as a senior and are looking for a book, then this may not be the one for you. The reason: the book is very dense with medical specific words and clinical correlations

that may not be suited for someone just starting out in pathology. You have to have a firm grasp on immunology, genetics, basic anatomy, histology, etc prior to opening this book. Also, they discuss pharmacology, have clinical cases, and USMLE style questions. I'd recommend Robbins's Basic Pathology or another Basic Pathology book highly rated on . Although this is an amazing book, its content may not be tailored to undergraduate pathology courses. For Professors: Excellent textbook to help supplement your lectures. In fact, this book is written so well, that you can actually base your entire lecture off of it. They have excellent tables and graphs that can be used for PPT.

As a first year medical student, I have found Robbins a wonderful textbook for fundamentals of disease processes as well as pathology of the organ systems. (And this is coming from someone who has found medical textbooks too dense and dry to use as primary resources for courses so far.) Robbins is the "required" pathology textbook at my medical school; I say "required" because every year, class surveys indicate almost no one uses the book, relying instead on course notes and review books. At the urging of my old-school trained father, I decided to buck the trend and having read multiple chapters of the Robbins, I am shocked that past classes have foregone the text. For one, this is a very well organized book in fact, it is better organized than our course note packets/syllabi. The figures and tables are high-yield, but the text itself is so well written and full of useful information and examples that I have never felt exhausted reading through it. Because of this, I think Robbins is a practical primary resource to learn MS-1 and MS-2 material. (I would not say the same for similarly massive textbooks "required" for our other courses so far, like Goodman and Gilman's for pharmacology. I found that and other texts so dense and dry that I've only used them as references in the library, and even then only rarely. Instead, like most med students these days, I often turn to review books to clarify concepts that are confusing in lecture.) So what have I gained by reading this thing? I've noticed that my understanding of disease features has increased substantially.

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