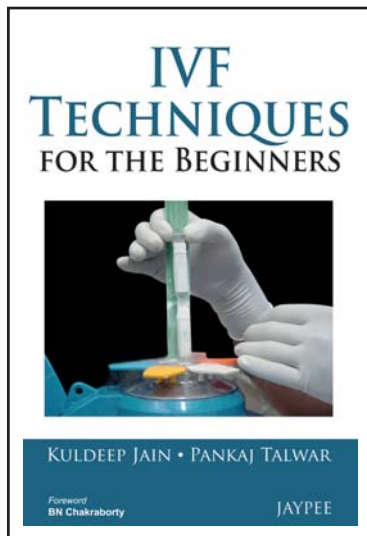


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IVF Techniques for the Beginners

The book entitled 'IVF Techniques for beginners' is edited by Dr Kuldeep Jain and Dr Pankaj Talwar, has been published by Jaypee Brothers Medical Publishers in 2013. It offers to its readers an up to date and concise knowledge of the procedures of ovum pick-up (OPU), sperm retrieval techniques, sperm preparation techniques, oocyte denudation, intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI), preimplantation genetic diagnosis (PGD), cryopreservation, vitrification, assisted hatching (AH) and embryo transfer (ET). The book is oriented to include practical points of value to the budding embryologist and IVF practitioner. It also includes a chapter on ovarian cryopreservation prior to chemotherapy and radiotherapy.

The style of writing is simple, readable and concise. There are useful pictures and tables designed for easy

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understanding. Each chapter has ample and up to date references for further reading.

It even includes protocols for laboratory cleaning, quality control, media selection and incubator settings. It, however, does not discuss work up prior to IVF, ovulation induction protocols and luteal support protocols. It does not touch upon trouble shooting in the IVF laboratory in cases of poor fertilization rates.

It is reasonably priced hence affordable for medical and paramedical personnel working in the IVF laboratory. I congratulate the authors and editors for bringing out this manuscript.

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