

Acknowledgments

Cynthia Nau Cornelissen is grateful to her husband, Christopher and to her children, Jeremy and Emily, for their support and encouragement during this endeavor.

Bruce D. Fisher is grateful to his wife Doris, for constant support and encouragement; to Elliot Frank, MD, FACP, Chair of the Department of Medicine at Jersey Shore University Medical Center, esteemed colleague and consummate clinician-educator; and to Donald Armstrong, MD, MACP, for mentorship, guidance, and inspiration for over 35 years.

Richard Harvey is grateful to the many friends and colleagues who generously contributed their time and effort to help us make this book as accurate and useful as possible.

Without talented artists, an Illustrated Review would be impossible, and we have been particularly fortunate in working with Michael Cooper throughout this project. His artistic sense and computer graphics expertise have greatly added to our ability to bring microbiology "stories" alive for our readers. We are also highly appreciative of Dr. Hae Sook Kim and Linda Duckenfield, SM/MT (ASCP), for assistance in preparing photomicrographs.

The editors and production staff of Lippincott Williams & Wilkins were a constant source of encouragement and discipline. We particularly want to acknowledge the tremendously supportive and creative contributions of our editor, Susan Rhyner, whose imagination and positive attitude helped us bring this complex project to completion. The design, content, editing, and assembly of the book have been greatly enhanced through the efforts of Kelly Horvath.