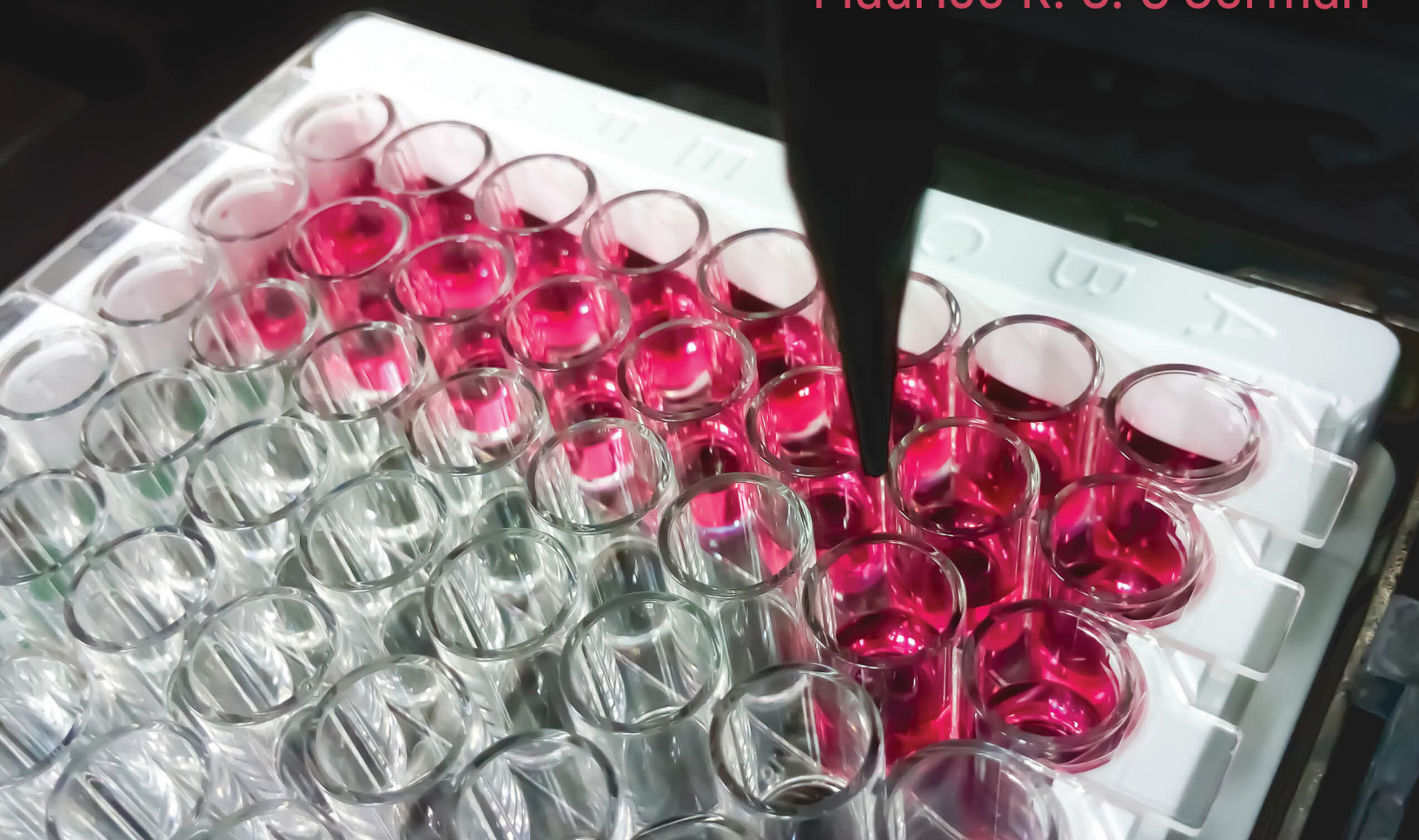


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PREFACE

For almost 50 years, the *Manual of Molecular and Clinical Laboratory Immunology* (MMCLI) has been the principal resource for the laboratories, students, and professionals performing or interested in the clinical and technical details of diagnostic immunology testing. Since the last edition in 2016, the clinical laboratory has witnessed a global pandemic, the development and application of gene editing, and the widespread adoption of molecularly engineered cellular therapies, among other novel technical and clinical advancements in the diagnosis and treatment of infectious and immune diseases. This, the 9th edition of the MMCLI, continues the tradition of providing detailed clinical and technical information on technologies that are being utilized in the practice of medical and diagnostic immunology. This edition, with 119 chapters, has undergone substantial changes from the 8th edition to improve and update the utility of the *Manual*. The first major change is a reorganization of the content. Immunologic techniques are now combined into the first 36 chapters of the *Manual*. This change is intended to reduce duplicative information among technique-centric versus clinically oriented chapters. Second, all chapters have been updated with information on the latest technologies, some chapters have been deleted, and completely new chapters have been added. These updates were achieved with the recruitment of new section editors and authors and have led to the production of the most comprehensive and up-to-date resource available for laboratory testing and clinical information related to the diagnosis, evaluation, and monitoring of immune-mediated and immune system-related disorders.

Immunologic testing and new biomarkers continue to be developed and expand in scope and volume in parallel with the ever-increasing knowledge of the components and functions of the immune system in health and disease. The 9th edition serves as an important resource that combines details of immunologic methods with relevant clinical information to clarify the appropriate application and interpretation of tests for diagnosis, evaluation of treatment response, and patient management. This manual is appropriate for the laboratory director and the clinician seeking information on the selection, application, and interpretation of immunologic tests. It also benefits the laboratory manager and technologist by providing details on troubleshooting of methods, clinical application, interpretation,

and test limitations. The content of this manual is also beneficial for the undergraduate, graduate, or professional student interested in laboratory immunology, given the breadth and depth of both clinical and technical information it provides.

The first portion of the 9th edition (chapters 1 to 36) is dedicated to descriptions of technologies practiced in the clinical immunology laboratory. To avoid duplication, this edition has extracted method-specific details from previous chapters and coalesced them into these first 36 chapters. Clinical chapters describing infectious diseases, inborn errors of immunity, hematologic malignancy, transplantation, systemic and organ-specific autoimmune disorders (chapters 37 to 119) now refer to the relevant method chapters for technical details. In some unique circumstances, detailed methodologic discussions are addressed in the clinical application chapters where the method is associated with a very specific application that is not specifically addressed in the methods chapters. The methods portion now provides more detailed coverage of immunoglobulin and T cell receptor gene technologies and their applications. Eight chapters highlight the technical aspects of traditional flow cytometry, rare event analysis, functional assays, and future cytometric technologies. Additional chapters on functional cellular immunologic assays have been expanded to include a chapter on interferon gamma release assays and a chapter on the assessment of cytotoxic T cell number and function. The methods portion now includes three chapters related to laboratory management, including up-to-date information on quality assurance, quality improvement, and quality management, areas which are becoming increasingly relevant in today's regulatory environment.

The second portion of the *Manual* encompasses clinical descriptions of specific immunologic diseases and specific clinical and diagnostic test applications. Broadly, these categories include infectious diseases, inborn errors of immunity (formerly referred to as primary immune deficiency disorders), allergic diseases, systemic autoimmune diseases, organ-specific autoimmune diseases, cancer (focus on hematologic malignancies), and transplantation immunology. New section editors and new authors have led to new and expanded content and removal of chapters related to testing that is no longer

relevant. Examples include removal of the chapter on *Helicobacter* infection due to the limited applicability of serologic testing, and the section on primary immunodeficiency has been completely updated to contain chapters that coincide with the International Union of Immunological Societies tables of classification for the inborn errors of immunity.

In the virology section, 3 chapters have been eliminated (respiratory viruses, gastroenteritis viruses, and prions). Two new chapters have been added, one on SARS-coronavirus-2 and a second on enteroviruses.

The explosion in our knowledge of rheumatic diseases is reflected in several expanded chapters highlighted in the section on systemic and organ-specific autoimmune disorders. Moreover, two new chapters have been added pertaining to Sjögren's syndrome and deficiency of adenosine deaminase 2.

In the organ-specific autoimmune diseases section, chapters have been significantly updated, and two new chapters, one on kidney disorders and one on blistering skin diseases, have been included.

Over the past decade, cytokine biology has radically expanded our opportunities to provide more innovative diagnostic testing and has stimulated exciting potential for the next generation of therapeutic applications for a variety of immune-mediated diseases. For example, the cytokine section updates the reader with specific chapters on the rapidly developing area of cytokine testing and the clinical consequences of anticytokine autoantibodies and interferonopathies.

The cancer section now includes four chapters that detail the diagnosis and monitoring of measurable residual disease in hematologic malignancies. The movement of these chapters from the methods to the clinical portion of the book is indicative of the current standards of practice for the diagnosis of monitoring of measurable residual disease in many hematologic malignancies. These chapters deal extensively with the flow-cytometric analysis of these malignancies related to both diagnosis and up-to-date information on the measurement of residual disease inclusive of informative figures highlighting relevant flow-cytometric analyses. Finally, the section on transplantation has been updated with chapters describing assessment of immune reconstitution and ABO testing.

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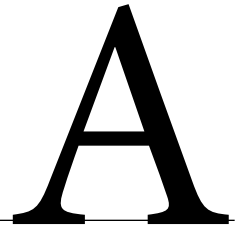
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