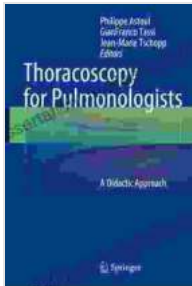


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Thoracoscopy is a minimally invasive surgical procedure that allows pulmonologists to visualize and operate on the pleural space and lung parenchyma. It is a versatile technique that can be used for a variety of diagnostic and therapeutic purposes.

Indications for Thoracoscopy

There are a number of indications for thoracoscopy, including:

- **Diagnostic purposes:** Thoracoscopy can be used to visualize the pleural space and lung parenchyma, and to obtain biopsy samples for histopathologic examination. This can be helpful in diagnosing a variety of conditions, such as pleural effusions, lung masses, and interstitial lung diseases.

- **Therapeutic purposes:** Thoracoscopy can be used to perform a variety of therapeutic procedures, such as pleurodesis, lung biopsy, and segmentectomy. These procedures can be used to treat a variety of conditions, such as pneumothorax, pleural effusions, and lung cancer.

Techniques for Thoracoscopy

Thoracoscopy is typically performed using a video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery (VATS) system. The VATS system consists of a camera, light source, and surgical instruments that are inserted into the pleural space through small incisions in the chest wall.

The VATS system allows the surgeon to visualize the pleural space and lung parenchyma in real time. This allows the surgeon to perform a variety of procedures with greater precision and accuracy than is possible with traditional open surgery.

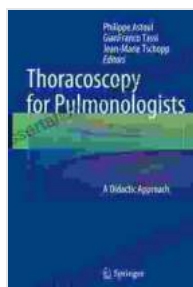
Post-Operative Care

After thoracoscopy, the patient will typically be discharged from the hospital within 1-2 days. The patient may experience some pain and discomfort at the incision sites, but this can usually be managed with oral pain relievers. The patient should avoid strenuous activity for several weeks after surgery.

The patient will typically be followed up by their pulmonologist 1-2 weeks after surgery to check on their progress. The pulmonologist will also order a chest X-ray to ensure that the lungs have re-expanded properly.

Thoracoscopy is a safe and effective minimally invasive surgical procedure that can be used for a variety of diagnostic and therapeutic purposes. It is a

valuable tool for pulmonologists, and it has revolutionized the way that we manage a variety of lung diseases.



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