‘Fundamental Anatomy’ written by Walter C. Hartwig, Ph.D., is a book which as I understand, aims to give students a perspective not only in anatomy but also in basic embryology which is of utmost importance in learning the former. The book also encompasses a series of clinical examples through which students will understand as to how basic sciences is applied to clinical sciences.

‘Fundamental Anatomy’ contains 396 pages. The text is a perfect guide for those who take anatomy as a course, being clearly written and easily understandable even for beginners. Some figures show schematic drawings of detailed structures which thoroughly explain how certain organs are innervated or how certain structures intercommunicate etc. The more detailed drawings again show very clearly without leading to confusion the position, relationship and reference points of the organization of the body. Tables are adequate and very well summarized.

The book chapters have been organized according to the systems of the body, each chapter starting with the development of the related subject going on to its gross anatomy, the subject being strengthened with striking clinical examples. These clinical examples will make it easier for the student to remember what otherwise he or she may very easily forget. The method of this book concurs with ours as well as a wide range of teaching systems throughout the world.

‘Fundamental Anatomy’ by Walter Hartvig, Ph.D., is a textbook which I shall most certainly recommend to my students and to those who wish to learn anatomy.

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