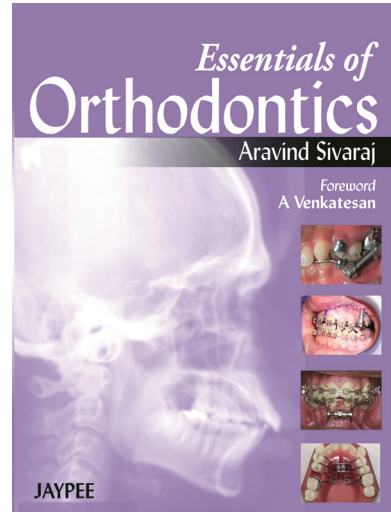


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The Essentials of Orthodontics by Aravind Sivaraj is a clear and a comprehensive guide to clinical and surgical orthodontics useful for dental students, postgraduate students and general practitioners.

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The other chapters describe surgical orthodontics from minor surgical procedures to orthodontic surgery and distraction osteogenesis, multidisciplinary orthodontics and medicolegal considerations. The last chapter presents and suggestively illustrates the instruments and materials used in orthodontics. The book achieves its purpose as a support for the theory and practice of current orthodontics.

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