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Maintaining the healthy foot condition of captive Asian and African elephants is one of the most important yet most difficult tasks for zookeepers, veterinarians, and researchers. Recognizing the need for a convenient and comprehensive health care manual, Blair Csuti, Eva Sargent and Ursula Bechert present *The Elephant's Foot*. Born out of a national conference on elephant care and physiology, this book is backed by 46 of the foremost authorities on the subject. After a general overview of the elephant foot's anatomy and physiology, *The Elephant's Foot* leads practitione

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