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Examining artificial membranes in terms of biocompatibility, drug delivery and controlled release, this book illustrates how existing membrane technologies are being exploited and advanced in emerging medical applications. This work, edited by internationally recognized experts, has author contributions from prominent members of this field who discuss details of all aspects of this technology. This volume provides broad, yet detailed information on synthetic membranes and their applications, including dialysis and artificial kidneys, gas exchange, artificial lungs, devices to assist liver func