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The new Second Edition of Lower Genital Tract Precancer has been extensively revised and expanded to provide a definitive and contemporary reference on this subject. Providing a comprehensive examination of the applications and benefits of modern diagnostic and therapeutic practices in managing lesions of the female lower genital tract, the book is presented in a clear, easy-to-read style and is extensively illustrated. The text covers investigative procedures and techniques, reviews the normal and abnormal cervix and fully appraises the diagnosis and management of both benign and malign

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