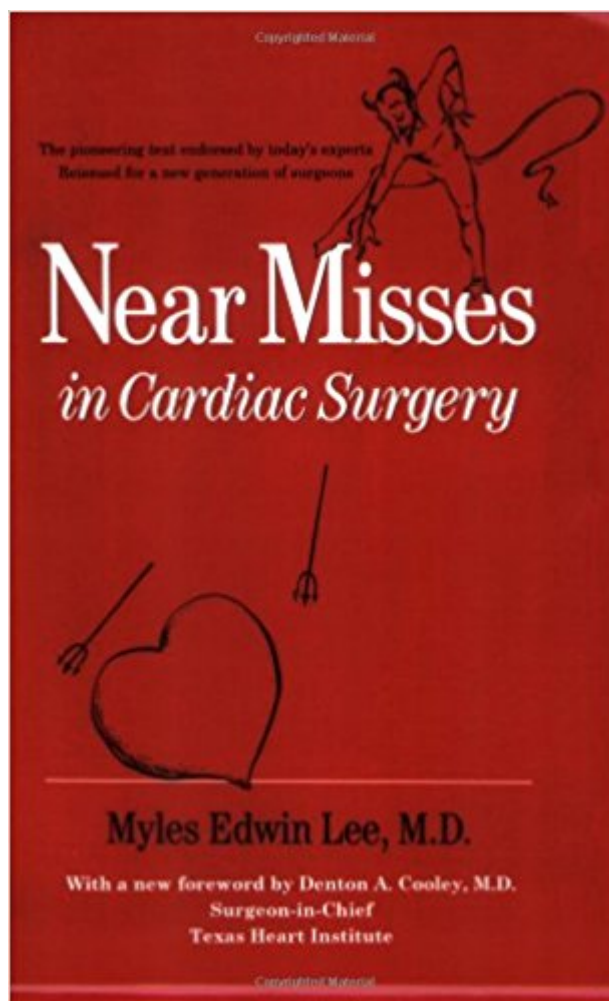


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# Near Misses In Cardiac Surgery



## Synopsis

Near Misses in Cardiac Surgery has been written on the premise that teamwork, vigilance, standardized techniques, anticipation of the next step (or misstep), and compassion for our patients are requisites to ensure successful surgical outcomes-that decisions are more important than incisions. This book presents synopses of 40 true cases in which the patients survived, in the expectation that the reader, cast as the surgeon, will determine the cause of the problem and solve it before the patient's demise. The next section identifies the problem and how it was actually resolved by the surgical team. Each case concludes with a detailed discussion and selected references. Written to challenge the reader that the patient's fate depends upon his or her ability to make appropriate decisions quickly and under pressure, this book will provide clinical insights, not only for cardiac surgeons, fellows and residents, but for anesthesiologists, cardiologists, internists, medical students, and nurses, as well.

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The book is extremely enjoyable to read albeit a bit outdated management-wise in some of the cases. However, I rate it only 3/5 because the Kindle version has extremely poor resolution. It seems every page was scanned and image files were compiled together into the final kindle file. It even crashes the Kindle app if you scroll to the end of the book. I hope will fix that, because this is otherwise a very well written little book essential to every cardiac surgery trainee.

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10-stars!! Beautiful.. just like described timely rare if at all that the had scratch. If so not noticed. I like the read on near misses.. a good tool to sharpen awareness and keep focused.

A must for anyone specializing in CV surgery! Great emphasis on 'common' uncommon complications and, more importantly, the importance of teamwork and communication in the intraop setting.

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Very good

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