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RARE DISEASE BOOK CHAPTERS AUTHORED BY FAIRFAX PLASTIC SURGEON AND RARE DISEASE SPECIALIST

Fairfax—The office of Dr Craig R Dufresne, MD, FACS, FISCFS, a DC area plastic surgeon, is excited to announce the March 10, 2026 publication of six book chapters in *Evolving Atlas of Clinical Syndromes: From Symptoms to (Rare) Diseases*, edited by Rupert Conrad and Martin Mücke and published by Urban & Fischer, an imprint of premier global academic publisher, Elsevier. Chapters, presented in a high-impact fact-sheet style, are designed to be a useful practical reference to clinicians. Dufresne and his research fellow, Mikaela I Poling, were invited by the German office of Elsevier, to contribute to the book October 6, 2020, with proofs being finalized last year. A world-renowned rare disease specialist and cosmetic and reconstructive plastic surgeon with over four-decades of experience, Dufresne has long sought to improve patient care and develop creative strategies to manage complex surgical situations presented by rare conditions in these chapters.

Chapters contributed by Dufresne and Poling include: “22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome” (Chapter 2), “Binder Syndrome” (Chapter 28), “Crouzon Syndrome” (Chapter 60), “Distal Arthrogryposis Type 2B” (Chapter 70), “Freeman–Burian Syndrome (FBS)” (Chapter 96), and “Möbius Syndrome” (Chapter 157). The online sample in Elsevier’s store includes Chapter 2, “22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome”, https://shop.elsevier.de/media/wysiwyg/PDF/DE/9783437150425_Muecke_Evolving_Atlas_Clinical_Syndroms_small.pdf.

Chapters authored by Dufresne and Poling cover conditions present before birth. Affecting multiple organ systems, 22q11.2 deletion syndrome is a chromosomal condition that can have many manifestations and differ greatly in severity. Binder and Crouzon syndromes cause face and skull deformities. Distal arthrogryposis type 2B is an inherited muscle-based condition primarily causing deformities of the hands and feet and is often confused with Freeman–Burian syndrome, which is primarily a muscle-based condition causing face and skull deformities that frequently involves hand and feet deformities. Möbius syndrome is neurological condition primarily affecting the face. Dufresne hopes wider dissemination of easily referenced material for anesthesia providers, surgeons, nurses, and others will improve diagnosis and patient care and is proud to have been part of this ambitious book project by Elsevier.

If you or someone you know has any of these conditions, you have a patient, or you are a media organization looking for a respected source, reach out to Dufresne’s office. For research and media inquiries, write to research@duplastics.com or call (304) 460-9038. For all other inquiries, write to info@cdufresnemd.com or call (703) 207-3065.

The *Evolving Atlas of Clinical Syndromes* is available for purchase online from Elsevier, <https://shop.elsevier.de/evolving-atlas-of-clinical-syndromes-e-book-9783437150425.html> Neither Dufresne nor Poling receive any royalties from purchase.

Craig R Dufresne, MD, PC, in Fairfax, Virginia, is a premier private solo practice providing aesthetic and reconstructive surgery care to adults and children from across the globe. Research supports the mission to provide safe, exceptional, innovative, and compassionate care that enhances overall well-being and health.

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