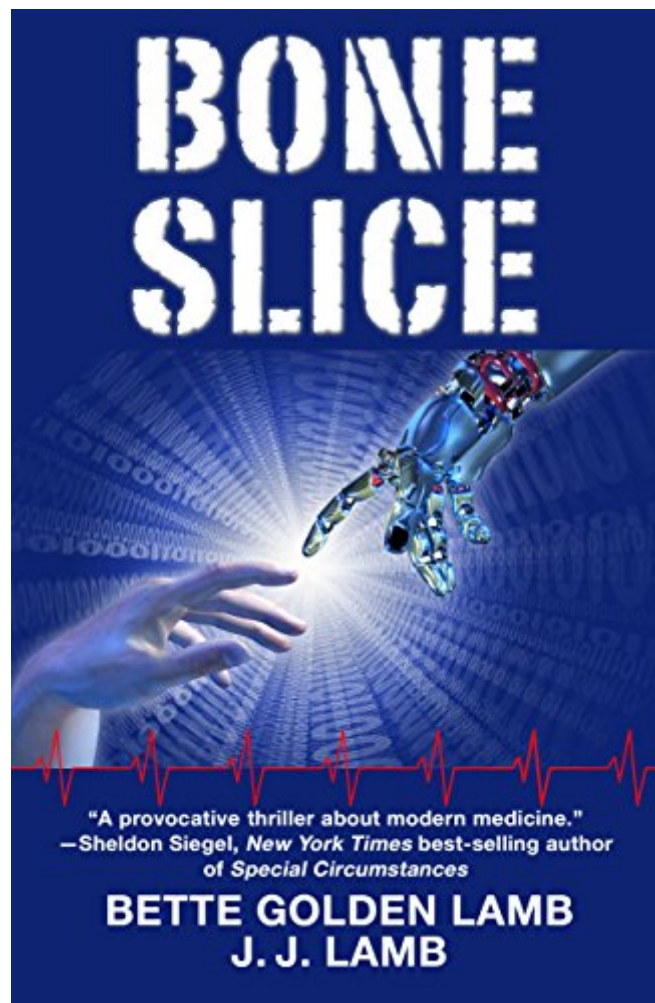


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BONE SLICE (Gina Mazzio RN Medical Thrillers Book 7)



Synopsis

THE MURDER WEAPON OF THE FUTURE IS HERE NOW! Feisty nurse sleuth Gina Mazzio and her equally intrepid partner Harry Lucke hit the ground running after their honeymoon, exploring unknown territory as they tangle with their most dangerous enemies yet – one that isn't even human, and some that are. (Long-time fans should stop here and rejoice – after so many false starts, they finally tied the knot! – But new readers won't be left out. They'll find this SEVENTH adventure a good place to start – because who doesn't love newlyweds? And in a hard-boiled medical thriller, especially newlyweds who find themselves knee-deep in mayhem.) Back from an idyllic beach wedding and honeymoon on romantic Kauai, Gina and Harry have barely unpacked when San Francisco's Ridgewood Hospital sends them off on an intriguing assignment to report on surgical robotics at a hospital near Santa Cruz. Intrigue turns to worry as they're plunged into the midst of a deadly clash between hands-on-medicine traditionalists and those eager to dive headlong into the futurist whirlpool of robotics. Once again, Gina's intuitive skills are as sharp as her medical knowledge – because deadly is the operative word here. It turns out a robot can be a superb murder weapon. As the fast-paced story twists and turns, the human villains will stop at nothing – including harassment, threats, and, finally kidnapping to stop Gina and Harry, who now must race the clock to discover who's hacking the robotic units and causing bloody mayhem in the surgery suites. This is an action-packed, shocking, take-no-prisoners tale of medical suspense, definitely not for the faint-hearted. But fans of the more hard-boiled medical thrillers (and also of Patricia Cornwell) will eat it up; as will lovers of strong women detectives, hospital mysteries, and all medical fiction, especially fans of Tess Gerritsen. Advance praise for BONE SLICE: "A terrific read! The pages fly in a provocative look at modern medicine. Gina Mazzio and Harry Lucke are characters worth rooting for. Bette and J.J. Lamb write superb dialogue. Plan to find a comfortable chair and stay up late. Highly recommended." – Sheldon Siegel, New York Times best-selling author of Special Circumstances. "A sexy and creepy contemporary medical thriller about modern technology. This story is so realistic that the horror could someday become a reality at a hospital near you." – Peter Heinlein, MD

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Customer Reviews

I am an absolutely dedicated fan of these authors. This story did not disappoint at all. The only reason for not giving a full five star rating is only the fact that the "disturbed" nurse's character is a bit of a mystery. Without being a spoiler for other readers, I just felt the reason for her thoughts and actions are too vague to create real empathy for her. Otherwise well worth the money and time spent!!

SPOILER ALERT I have read and enjoyed all the books in this series but this one is by far the most unrealistic. No hospital would continue to use robotic machinery that had malfunctioned without first getting to the bottom of exactly what went wrong. And no one in their right mind would consent to the same surgery knowing that type of machine had twice malfunctioned in the past couple weeks. Predictable ending also. Not the authors best effort.

Ms. Lamb has outdone her previous books with "Bone Slice". She has given us a look into cutting edge technology which may become common practice in some areas of medicine. The story moves quickly and holds your attention. Loved it!

Bette and JJ Bone Series just keep on getting better. This is a real page turned. Congratulations to

you two. Well done. Looking forward to your next one.

Bone Slice begins with Gina and Harry coming back from their honeymoon only to be immediately sent out on a mission for Ridgewood Hospital. The assignment is to check out the surgical robotics unit at Oceanside Hospital in Santa Cruz and evaluate if it is something that Ridgewood should explore. Of course, Gina Mazzio can't go too far before she runs into a serial killer and her stay at Oceanside Hospital is not an exception. With Bone Slice the Lambs have changed from an inverted detective format, which has dominated the series to more of a whodunit, as several characters are introduced that could potentially be the villain. I find it to be a refreshing change. However, I was disappointed that the recent marriage between Gina and Harry was not the backdrop in this story, as it has been six books leading up to this point, it would have been nice to be a part of it. But on the bright side, there is a new revelation that should add a boost to the series. The main theme of Bone Slice is the ethical use of robotics in medicine. Robotics have already been introduced to the hospital setting, such as the use in clinical laboratories and the use of the Di Vinci system or laparoscopic surgery in some surgical situations. I have mixed feelings about using robotics in medicine. As indicated in Bone Slice, robotics could have some important downsides, such as hacking and the lack of human contact. Yet at the same time, robotics have some significant advantages such as greater precision, reduction of error, and faster recovery times. Nonetheless, robotics is coming to a hospital near you whether you like it or not. Overall Bone Slice is a fun read, but it may give you a second thought about having that hernia surgery done anytime soon.

The Future of Medicine. Have you seen it yet? Read Bone Slice and decide for yourself. Robots are scarier than big Pharma. Yes, they allow for more exactitude and yes, they break down. This book explores both sides of the debate and is a fun read in the process. Decided for yourself what you want for the future of medicine.

Once again the Lambs have created a real page burner. That Gina is in trouble again and you know it's going to be a close call right to the end. This time I really enjoyed the 'bot' twist. Fast read as I could not put it down. Hope we hear more from Gina and Harry.

A chilling exploration of what could go wrong as robotics become the future of medicine. In this taut, suspenseful thriller, a series of mysterious and tragic events occur at a hospital that is embracing a

high-tech model of healthcare deliver. When Gina Mazzio RN tries to learn the truth about what's happening, she becomes embroiled in a web of deceit and danger. A novel that is thought-provoking, frightening -- and enjoyable.

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