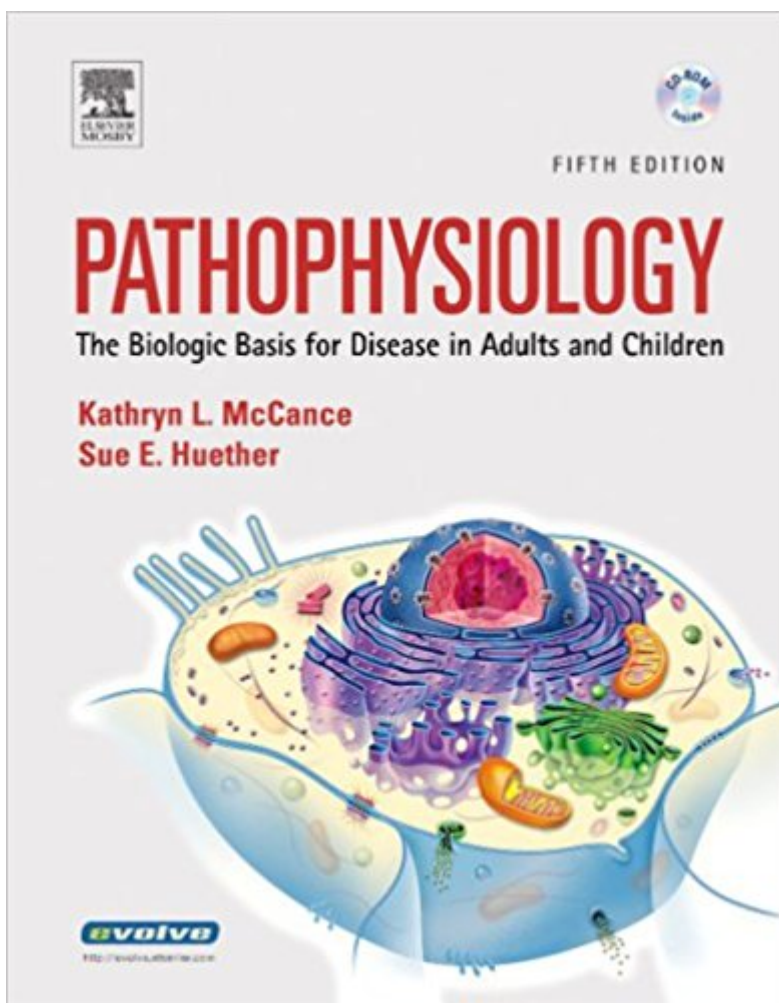


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Well-known for its authoritative and comprehensive coverage, complete treatment of pediatric pathophysiology, and the most extensive illustration program in its field, the 5th edition of this classic book has been extensively revised and updated. Part One presents the general principles of pathophysiology and discusses the influence of the environment and the role of genetics in the development of disease. Part Two, organized by body system, examines normal anatomy and physiology, alterations of function in adults, and alterations of function in children. Comprehensive coverage provides unparalleled discussion of disease processes. Extensive full-color art program illustrates disease processes and clinical manifestations of diseases. Life span content includes ten separate chapters for the pediatric content and special headings for aging content within the structures and functions chapters. "What's New?" boxes highlight the most current research and findings. "Nutrition and Disease" boxes show evidenced-based links between concepts of health promotion and disease. Algorithms throughout the text illustrate the sequential progression of disease processes. Detailed chapter outlines with page numbers provide easy access to content and overview of topics. Chapter introductions provide a rationale for learning the content about to be presented. Consistent presentation of each disease includes epidemiology, pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, and evaluation and treatment. Key terms are highlighted in each chapter and listed with page numbers for easy reference and chapter review. Chapter summaries provide concise synopses of key points and serve as a built-in content review. An "Introduction to Pathophysiology" provides an entrance to the study of disease and defines basic terms. More than 90 "What's New?" boxes present the most current research available. Includes approximately 310 new full-color illustrations. A new companion CD-ROM with over 750 review questions and answers and 20 animations. Now includes a comprehensive glossary of approximately 1,200 terms to help students with the often difficult terminology related to pathophysiology. Infection content is presented in a separate chapter to better organize content on mechanisms of self-defense. Extensive revisions and updates of every chapter, particularly: inflammation and immunity, stress, cancer, pain, the reproductive system, and urinary and renal systems alterations.

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This book has a CD, but if your course uses the online modules through WebCT/Blackboard, be prepared to spend an additional \$60! It does NOT come with the book, unless there is a package deal somewhere, but the CD in the book is NOT what you need for the online modules through webct. The chapters are very long but the review of info at the end of the chapters are somewhat helpful. The CD inside has about 20 questions on each chapter and some animations. The Study guide would not be a wise investment if your class is using the online modules because there are extensive animations in those and information that is very easy to understand. BUT if you class in not using the online modules, it might be beneficial. But I certainly don;t have time to use my study book, with all the long chapters, and the modules online.

This book is pretty, I will admit. But the book gives too much information for a basic Pathophysiology book. The book is more like a reference manual. If you are using it for a class, which is likely, you will end up spending much time reading about medical conditions and unnecessary details not needed for success in the course. The index section of the book is of poor quality and you will spend much of your time searching the huge book for topics related to your lecture notes. I highly recommend waiting to speak with your professor to find out if this specific book is necessary, or if he/she recommends another book. Remember, pathophysiology does not differ from book to book. However, much of the information in this book is blatantly inaccurate and the information presented is not orderly or presented in a fashion suitable for student use.

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This is one of my favorite all time books, it is illustrated and laid out very well, very well written and it is one of those books that I always felt that I didn't have enough time to spend in it. Rarely does one find a text that is this enjoyable to read. Farley W. Brown, DC, APRN, FNP-C

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Topics presented clearly. I had a different assigned textbook for my patho class. A Nurse Practitioner I was shadowing had this edition in her room and let me borrow it. Loved it. Bought this edition and the study guide.

This was the text for my pathophys class in the Nurse Practitioner program I am in. There are only a few select textbooks that I keep and honestly continue to reference: this is one of them. Odds are, if you are looking at this book, you need it for school regardless of what any reviews say;

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