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## Bonica's Management Of Pain (Fishman, Bonica's Pain Management)



## Synopsis

Now in its Fourth Edition, with a brand-new editorial team, Bonica's Management of Pain will be the leading textbook and clinical reference in the field of pain medicine. An international group of the foremost experts provides comprehensive, current, clinically oriented coverage of the entire field. The contributors describe contemporary clinical practice and summarize the evidence that guides clinical practice. The first section covers basic considerations, including mechanisms of nociception, functional neuroanatomy and musculoskeletal anatomy, psychological aspects of pain, cultural and environmental aspects of pain, and clinical trials. The second section addresses economic, political, legal, and ethical considerations in pain management. The third section describes current methods for evaluation of the patient with pain. The fourth section provides in-depth coverage of specific painful conditionsâ "neuropathic pain syndromes, psychological contributions to pain, vascular, cutaneous, and musculoskeletal pains, pain due to cancer, acute pain, pain in special populations, visceral pain, regional pain, and low back pain. The fifth section describes the full range of methods for symptomatic control, including pharmacologic therapies, psychological techniques, physical and other noninterventional therapies, implanted electrical stimulators, interventional pain management, and surgical approaches. The book concludes with discussions of the provision of pain treatment in a variety of clinical settings, including pain clinics, spine clinics, the primary care setting, the emergency department, the intensive care unit, and end-of-life care.

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I was disappointed. The book is not organized in a proper way to look up topics efficiently. The book is presented by chapters that dump a lot of hardcore scientific facts on your head, without the proper explanation of why these facts are important, how they are related to clinical practice. Yes! Absolutely! The book is very distant from clinical practice. I am so sorry to acknowledge that, but there are much useful books for the same price available on the market.

Quite comprehensive. But I did not appreciate the bit on "empathy". Empathy is countertransference, so it is not helpful. Sympathy is better. (Interestingly, neuroimaging seems to show that there is a difference between the two.)

I was disappointed with this book. I was expecting a lot more from an expensive 1,600+ page comprehensive textbook. Really hard to find information when you try to look a topic up. You have to use the Index extensively to find what you need, which is cumbersome and annoying in a book this size. A lot of basic information is left out or buried in chapters where it doesn't actually belong and where you wouldn't think to look.

An exceptional text which weighs almost as much as a spare car tire. Very well written with exceptional references. As a patient you will typically know more than the doctor treating you.

If you are in a pain fellowship or an attending, and you were to only buy one book it should be this one

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