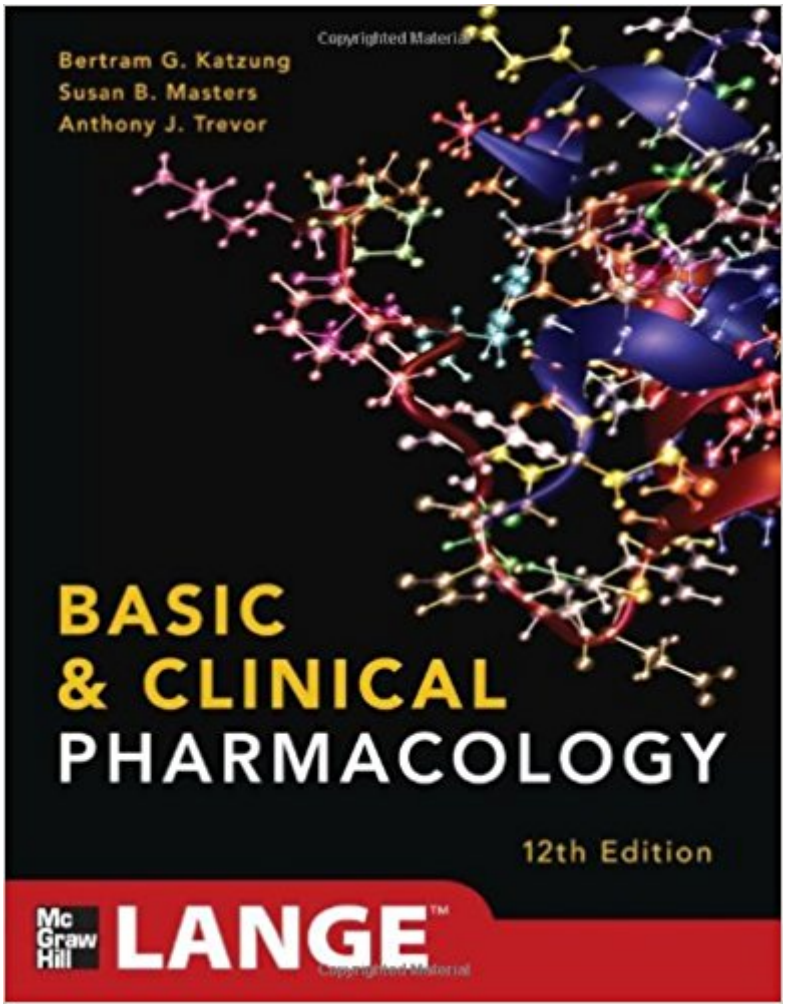
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Completely unreadable without a background in Pharmacology. Goes into more detail than other texts but explains things horribly. Organization makes no sense and it just lists drugs in a completely random illogical way. It’s like someone just dumped their vast knowledge of drugs down on paper and called it a day. If you already know everything then this book has tons of information. For those learning Pharmacology, this won’t teach you as well as the other resources out there.If you’re in medical school steer clear.I prefer Lippincott’s Pharm or the purple review book by Katzung (same author but written better although lacking minutiae)For pharm I use picmonics to memorize, Lippincott’s to understand, the purple review book to learn more details and quiz myself, Lange flashcards to quiz myself, Kaplan videos are good if all else fails.For time management purposes

steer clear of this book if you’re in medical school unless you have a solid Pharmacology background

I bought this for M2 year of med school. The information in the book is fairly complete, but I will still need to go toÃ Â Goodman & Gilman’s The Pharmacological Basis of TherapeuticsÃ Â to really put burning questions to rest. Also note, hopefully your school has a subscription to Access Medicine for both of these resources.My favorite book for pharm so far isÃ Â Lippincott’s Illustrated Reviews: Pharmacology, 4th Edition (Lippincott’s Illustrated Reviews Series). It has 90 percent of the information I need, including new drug classes. It is a little lean on the structures, which Lange covers pretty well. However, I used Illustrated Pharm for all of my antimicrobial information, and hope to use it the rest of M2 year.Also, don’t be scared of Goodman, it’s a beast of a tomb but that is because it would be like having you own personal professor describe in detail the mechanism of every drug used for treatment. I cant tell you how many times I thought it was leaving me hanging on an explanation, only to find my questions addressed 3-4 sentences later. Well written and complete, but there is just a lot of stuff to learn about every drug!

This is a great book for Pharmacology, and I like that the author’s list their references and suggest other literature for more information. It is very thorough. There is one issue with this book, the chapter on the ANS (Chp. 6) in regards to pharmacology of the eye (and how it pertains to glaucoma). It depicts the production of aqueous humor incorrectly in the drawing. It is produced by the ciliary body (more proximal to the iris than illustrated). I have checked other sources (one listed here: http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3032230/), and was made aware of this by a professor of Pharmacology. I am hoping that the author’s corrected it for the 12th edition, and if not, hopefully for the one after that. Either way, I wanted to bring it to the attention of other readers. Other than that it has been a very good book along with the "Pocket Atlas of Pharmacology".

While the cover is very pretty, and there are some good diagrams found within this text, overall, I would have to say that I really do not like this text. There is simply not enough substance, and the layout of the drugs and concepts within the chapters is a nightmare. I also very much dislike it when the editors re-arrange the chapters between editions--which to me is evidence of them having nothing else better to do. Also, some of the errors simply drive me crazy.Find a different primary text... but perhaps use the Katzung review book, I find the multiple choice with explanations, and review points to be very useful. But again, it is simply that, a review book.If you are looking for a

good primary reference text, check out Goodman and Gilman, because Katzung is definitely not worth the money.

I own the Goodman & Gilman and Katzung textbooks, but I mostly read out of this one. Let me say, Goodman & Gilman is top notch, if something's not in there, it's probably only on Pubmed, but my god, it's so flipping long. I've barely used it because of that, I wish I could sit down and have a few days to really get into the G&G, but there will never be the time. Katzung is by no means brief, it's a long textbook, this is no pocket companion, but it gets the point across a lot quicker. It's clear, it's current, it has what's important, and a little bit more. For any pharmacology class I'm sure Katzung would be an adequate choice, it has some great diagrams and at the end of the chapters there's tables with drugs and their presentations, and just a little brief overview of all of them (SO USEFUL!).

After more than 50 years I have retired from Medical Practice and now no longer classed as a health service provider but a health service consumer. 25 years ago I did a stint in administration and had my pharmacology knowledge updated to the standards of that time. I purchased this book our of interest and perhaps a little self pride at keeping up-to-date. It is fairly complete in covering the range of clinical pharmaceutical issues, well laid out, well written, well illustrated, and set at a useful level of knowledge. It is useful. I know one younger colleague seeing it on my Tablet noted the Title, and the reasonable cost down with the intention of getting onto  for a copy. Although no longer prescribing I feel increasingly confident, if required, to give first class informed consent on pharmacological management. I would like to think that any physician attending me or my family has had some update, such as this volume, over the past decade or so.

Written by Dr's.. so a bit overwhelming to understand but the illustrations help me with my clas. I also have Lehne Pharmacology book and that one is more user friendly.

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