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Preface to the Third Edition

Overview of the Book

Welcome to the third edition of *Pharmacology for Nursing Care*, the pharmacology text that students *like* to read. This edition, like the first and second, was written to be a true textbook—that is, a book that focuses on essentials and downplays secondary details. To give the book its focus, three principal techniques are employed: (1) teaching through prototypes, (2) use of large print for essential information and small print for secondary information, and (3) limiting discussion of adverse effects and drug interactions to ones that are of particular clinical significance. To reinforce the relationship between pharmacologic knowledge and nursing practice, nursing implications are integrated into the body of each chapter. In addition, to provide rapid access to nursing content, nursing implications are summarized at the end of most chapters, using a nursing process format. As in the prior two editions, this edition emphasizes conceptual material, thereby reducing rote memorization, promoting comprehension, and increasing reader friendliness. For a more detailed description of the book's distinguishing features, please refer to the preface to the first edition, which is reprinted herein.

New in This Edition

All chapters have been revised, some extensively. Topics with significantly expanded coverage include asthma, osteoporosis, hormone replacement therapy, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, Alzheimer's disease, and HIV infection.

Over 100 new drugs have been added. These include angiotensin II receptor antagonists (for hypertension), protease inhibitors (for HIV infection), bisphosphonates (for osteoporosis), low-molecular-weight heparins (for thrombosis), 6 new drugs for diabetes, and 10 new drugs for cancer.

In addition to undergoing general revision, the book contains seven new chapters, two new appendices, a new unit on life span issues, a summary of key points for each chapter, and computer software for students. Also, we will offer updates on the World Wide Web.

New Chapters

In response to developments in pharmacotherapy and suggestions from students and teachers, I have added seven new chapters:

- *Drug Therapy During Pregnancy and Breast Feeding*
- *Drugs for Other Psychologic Disorders* (drugs for panic disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, and Alzheimer's disease)
- *Review of Hemodynamics*
- *Review of the Immune System*
- *Pediatric Immunization*
- *Drugs for HIV Infection and Related Opportunistic Infections*
- *Miscellaneous Noteworthy Drugs* (drugs for obesity, respiratory distress syndrome, benign prostatic hyperplasia, cystic fibrosis, and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis [Lou Gehrig's disease])

New Unit: Drug Therapy Across the Life Span

In prior editions, information on life span issues was spread throughout the introductory chapters. In this edition, life span-related content has been consolidated into its own unit. In addition, discussion of several life span topics (e.g., teratogenesis) has been greatly expanded. The new unit has three chapters:

- *Drug Therapy During Pregnancy and Breast-Feeding*
- *Drug Therapy in Pediatric Patients*
- *Drug Therapy in Geriatric Patients*

New Appendices

This edition contains two new appendices. One addresses gender-related content and one addresses drug-related information on the Internet.

- *Guide to Gender-Related Drugs*. Because this book is structured largely on the basis of pharmacologic drug classes, information on drugs employed for gender-related therapy is scattered throughout the book. This guide is intended as a quick reference to these

drugs. Topics addressed in the guide include eclampsia, suppression of preterm labor, hormone replacement therapy, emergency postcoital contraception, impotence, and benign prostatic hyperplasia.

- *Drug-Related Information on the Internet.* The Internet offers a vast amount of information on pharmacology and therapeutics. This appendix provides a directory of selected Internet sites where you can find reliable drug-related information.

Key Points

A list of key points has been added to each chapter, providing a concise summary of chapter content. The list is intended to give additional guidance regarding content to focus on.

Computer Software

The enclosed software consists of (1) NCLEX-style review questions plus (2) a data base of the 200 most commonly used drugs, from which students can generate their own drug cards. The information on the software comes from *Saunders Nursing Drug Handbook*.

Updates on the Web

Pharmacology undergoes steady and sometimes rapid evolution. Important new drugs are introduced every year; uses for older drugs change; and previously unknown toxicities of available drugs may be revealed. As a result, a pharmacology text can quickly become outdated. Accordingly, in order to keep this text current, we will provide periodic updates on the World Wide Web. For details on these updates, please contact your W.B. Saunders Educational Sales Representative or our sales support staff (1-800-544-0292).

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A Transparency Set, Instructor's Manual, and Test Bank are available at no charge to teachers using this text. The Transparency Set (ISBN no. 0-7216-7152-7) contains 100 color transparencies of figures from the text. The Instructor's Manual (0-7216-7151-9) contains suggestions for setting up a pharmacology course, case studies, lecture notes, and more. The Test Bank consists of NCLEX-style questions and is available in two formats: computerized ExaMaster (0-7216-7153-5) and print (0-7216-7404-6). To obtain these teaching aids, contact your W.B. Saunders Educational Sales Representative. If you don't know who your representative is, you can find out by calling W.B. Saunders sales support at 1-800-544-0292.

Student Study Guide

The Study Guide (ISBN no. 0-7216-7069-5) is new with this edition and features critical thinking exercises along with various review and learning activities.

Your Comments are Welcome

I would like to hear from you. All feedback is welcome. Suggestions for improving the book are especially helpful, as are reports of mistakes (small or large) that you may spot. Of course, I also like to hear from readers who simply have something nice to say. You can reach me via the Internet at lehne@adelphia.net or ral4f@virginia.edu or via U.S. mail care of W.B. Saunders Company.

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Preface to the First Edition

Pharmacology pervades all phases of nursing practice and relates directly to patient care and patient education. Despite its pervasiveness and importance, pharmacology remains an area in which students, practitioners, and teachers are often uneasy. Much of this uneasiness stems from traditional approaches to the subject, in which memorization of details takes precedence over understanding. In this text, the opposite approach is taken. Here, the guiding principle is to establish a basic understanding of drugs, after which secondary details can be learned as needed.

This text was written with two major objectives. The first is to help nursing students establish a knowledge base in the basic science of drugs. The second is to demonstrate how that knowledge can be directly applied in providing patient care and patient education. To achieve these goals, several innovative techniques are employed. These are described below.

Laying Foundations in Basic Principles. Understanding drugs requires a strong foundation in basic pharmacologic principles. To establish this foundation, major chapters are dedicated to the following topics: basic principles that apply to all drugs (Chapters 5 through 9), basic principles of neuropharmacology (Chapter 13), basic principles of antimicrobial chemotherapy (Chapter 77), and basic principles of cancer chemotherapy (Chapter 95).

Reviewing Physiology and Pathophysiology. To understand the actions of a drug, we must first understand the biologic systems that the drug influences. For all major drug families, relevant physiology and pathophysiology are reviewed. Reviews are presented at the beginning of each chapter, rather than in a systems review at the beginning of a unit. For example, in the unit on cardiovascular drugs, which includes separate chapters on hypertension, angina pectoris, heart failure, myocardial infarction, and dysrhythmias, reviews of relevant physiology and pathophysiology begin *each chapter*. This juxtaposition of pharmacology, physiology, and pathophysiology is designed to facilitate understanding of the interrelationships among these subjects.

Teaching Through Prototypes. Within each drug family, we can usually identify one agent that embodies the features that characterize all members of the group. Such a drug can be viewed as a prototype. Since other family members are generally very similar to the prototype, to know the prototype is to know the basic properties of all group members.

The benefits of teaching through prototypes can best be appreciated with an example. Let's consider the non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), a family that includes aspirin, ibuprofen [Motrin, others], naproxen [Naprosyn, Anaprox], indomethacin [Indocin], and more than 20 other drugs. Traditionally, information on these drugs is presented in a series of paragraphs describing each drug in turn. When attempting to study from such a list, students are likely to learn many drug names and little else; the important concept of similarity among family members is easily lost. In this text, the family prototype—*aspirin*—is discussed first and in depth. After this, instruction is completed by pointing out the relatively minor ways in which individual NSAIDs differ from aspirin. Not only is this approach more efficient than the traditional approach, it is also more effective in that similarities among family members are emphasized.

Large Print and Small Print: A Way to Focus on Essentials. Pharmacology is exceptionally rich in detail. There are many drug families, each with multiple members and each member with its own catalogue of indications, contraindications, adverse effects, and drug interactions. This abundance of detail confronts the teacher with the difficult question of what to teach, and confronts the student with the equally difficult question of what to study. Attempts to answer these questions can frustrate teacher and student alike. Even worse, in the presence of myriad details, basic concepts can become obscured.

To help establish a focus on essentials, this text employs two type sizes. Large print is intended to say, "On your first exposure to this topic, this is the core of information that you should learn." Small print is intended to say, "Here is additional information that you may want to learn after mastering the material in large print." As a rule, large print is reserved for prototypes, basic principles of pharmacology, and reviews of physiology and pathophysiology. Small print is used for secondary information about the prototypes and for discussion of drugs that are not prototypes. By employing this technique, we have been able to incorporate a large body of detail into this book without having that detail cloud the big picture. Furthermore, because the technique highlights essentials, it minimizes questions about what to teach and what to study.

The use of large and small print is especially valuable for discussing adverse effects and drug interactions. Most drugs are associated with many adverse effects and interactions. As a rule, however, only a few of these are note-

worthy. In traditional texts, practically all adverse effects and interactions are presented, creating long and tedious lists. In this text, those few adverse effects and interactions that are especially characteristic are highlighted through presentation in large print; the remainder are noted briefly in small print. As a result, rather than overwhelming students with a long and forbidding list, which can impede comprehension, the approach employed here, by delineating a moderate body of important information, serves to promote comprehension.

Nursing Implications: Demonstrating the Application of Pharmacology to Nursing Practice. The principal reason for asking a nursing student to learn pharmacology is to enhance his or her ability to care for and educate patients. To show students how they can apply pharmacologic knowledge to nursing practice, nursing implications are *integrated into the body of each chapter*. That is, as specific drugs and drug families are discussed, the nursing implications inherent in the pharmacologic information are discussed side-by-side with the basic science. To facilitate access to nursing information, nursing implications are also *summarized at the end of most chapters*. These summaries should serve to reinforce the information presented in the main text.

In chapters that are especially brief or that address drugs that are infrequently used, summaries of nursing implications have been omitted. However, even in these chapters, nursing implications are incorporated into the chapter body.

A Note About Drug Therapy. Throughout this text, as we discuss specific drug families (e.g., beta-adrenergic blockers), we discuss the clinical applications of those drugs. Similarly, in chapters that focus on specific diseases (e.g., Parkinson's disease, hypertension), we indi-

cate which drugs are generally considered most appropriate for treatment. However, it is important to note that clinical applications of individual drugs may change over time: a drug may acquire new indications that are not discussed here, or it may cease to be used for indications that *are* discussed here. Likewise, drug therapy of specific diseases is continually evolving: as superior drugs are developed, they tend to replace older, less desirable agents. Accordingly, although the drug therapies presented in this text reflect a general consensus on what is considered best *today*, these therapies may not be considered best a few years from now—and, in therapeutic areas where there is controversy or where change is especially rapid, the treatments discussed here may be considered inappropriate by some clinicians right now.

About Dosage Calculations. Unlike many nursing pharmacology texts, this one has no section on dosage calculation. The reasons for this departure from tradition are twofold. First, adequate presentation of this important subject simply isn't feasible in a text dedicated to the basic science of drugs; the amount of space that can be allotted is too small. Second, thanks to the availability of several excellent publications on the subject (e.g., *Clinical Calculations*, W.B. Saunders Company), the need to include this information in pharmacology texts has been obviated.

Ways to Use This Textbook. Because of its focus on essentials, this text is especially well suited to serve as the primary text for courses dedicated specifically to pharmacology. In addition, the book's focused approach makes it a valuable resource for pharmacologic instruction within integrated curriculums and for self-directed learning by students and practitioners.

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Once the writing is done, a manuscript must be made into a book—a process that can be an author's worst

nightmare. However, for this edition, the process was a dream—thanks to the all-star team assembled by Berta Steiner. In addition to Berta herself, I have the highest praise and gratitude for my copy editor—Megan Westerfeld—who did the painstaking job of transmuting the manuscript into its final form, and for Bob Elliott and his colleagues who did a flawless job of transforming the copy-edited manuscript into the book you hold in your hands.

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