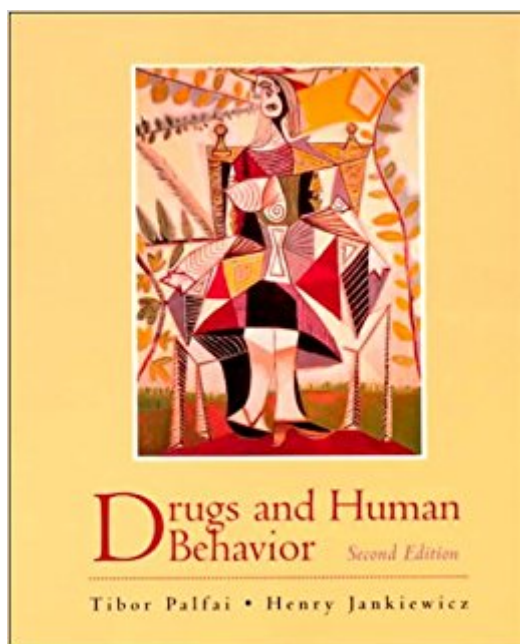


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## Synopsis

Drugs and Human Behavior provides unique historical background and introduces students to psychoactive drugs' pharmacology and the mental illnesses they are used to treat. This text is ideal for upper-level courses that take a psychopharmacological approach (rather than a social or health approach) and emphasize practical applications.

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This book is, without a doubt, the finest introduction to psychopharmacology available. From the structure and function of neurons and the brain, to drug metabolism, to the social and cultural import of various drugs and drug laws, to drug mechanisms of action and more, this succinct yet "action-packed" volume informs like a textbook and reads like the work of an outstanding author--because it is. I have taken classes with both co-authors, and they're both extraordinarily valuable people who will I never forget for as long as I live. I write this in such glowing terms because I am absolutely enthralled with psychopharmacology as an area of study, and it was Tibor Palfai who is responsible for turning me on to it and patiently and compassionately attending to every little question and concern I had, even trying to reach out to me and encourage me when I was in the depths of my own mental illness. I have since read thousands of pages on the subject, from textbooks to journal articles, and nothing has even come close to the enjoyment this book

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As two former Syracuse alumni, and psychology degree holders, we must state the obvious: Tibor Palfai is not only the greatest psychology professor, but also the engineer behind pharmacological studies and uses. He displays his unending depth of both knowledge and practical use of prescription medications and their vast benefits on human interaction and proliferation. This book is for the beginner, the user, and the expert when it comes to pharmacological research, utilization and procedure. A must for your collection when it comes to understanding, using, or referring any drug to any friend, coworker, or even boss.

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