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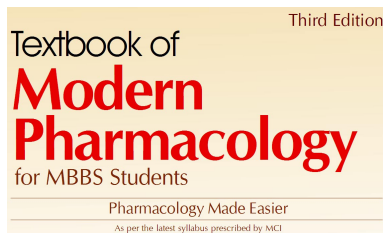


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FOREWORD

I am just recollecting the release of the first edition of this book earlier and am delighted with the success of the first edition. I have great pleasure to write the foreward for the 2nd edition of this book titled TEST BOOK OF MODERN PHARMACOLOGY authored by Dr. M. Muniappan, Ph.D, Dr. R. Sivaraj, M.D., and Dr. Somasundaram, M.D., and edited by Dr. N.S. Muthiah, MD., all senior faculty of Pharmacology of repute.

This book will be useful for the undergraduates as well as Post Graduate students in order to learn the latest and modern Pharmacology to prescribe the needy patients. Medical knowledge and practice change constantly. This book is designed to provide accurate, authoritative information about the subject matter. This book is a valuable addition to the already existing books of Pharmacology.



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FOREWORD

It gives me immense pleasure to write the foreword for this book in pharmacology, authored by Dr. M. Muniappan and edited by Dr. N.S. Muthiah.

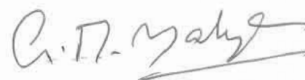
It is the short, concise book of pharmacology concentrating more on commonly used approved drugs in the treatment of common clinical conditions. It is more like clinically oriented without much detail about pharmacokinetics, chemistry etc., of the drugs.

In a short book of this nature, there may be some deficiencies. The students may refer to the standard books for more information. The author has taken lot of pains to write this text to make the subject of pharmacology more interesting by illustrations, designs and diagrams.

I have no doubt that this book will help the medical students and general practitioners to read, understand, apply the knowledge of pharmacology in the treatment of sick patients to cure and reduce their sufferings.

The science of pharmacology has progressed, tremendously in all directions over half a century. So, my sincere advice to the medical students and the young medical practitioners is to be in touch in clinical pharmacology and recent advances to be a successful clinician which will be useful to them.

The country in general and Chennai, Tamil Nadu in particular is on the world medical map because of the hard dedicated work of some of the physicians and surgeons. Follow them as example and reach their standard.



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PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION

Pharmacology is the dynamic medical subject. So many new chapters are added in this edition as per MCI. All the diagrams are imposed and computerized. The headings are given in different colours to make easy capture for the students.

Learning objectives are given in the beginning of every chapters, so as the students should concentrate more on those points. Unnecessary details are excluded. All the diagrams are made simple and colourful so as the students can easily understand the subject.

Every care has been taken to make the book free from the errors, but absolute perfection may not be there. Hence, error if any, may please be communicated to us.

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