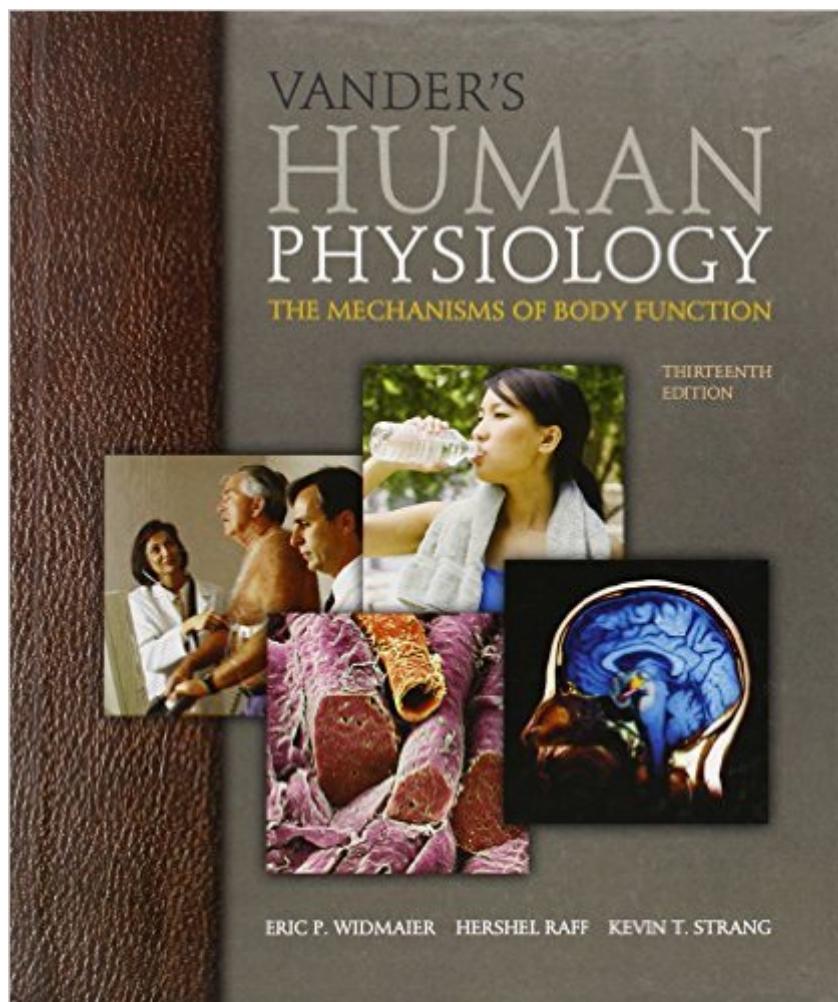


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A Doody's Core Title for 2015! Eric Widmaier (Boston University), Hershel Raff (Medical College of Wisconsin), and Kevin Strang (University of Wisconsin) have taken on the challenge of maintaining the strengths and reputation of Vander's Human Physiology: The Mechanisms of Body Function. Moving beyond the listing of mere facts, it stresses the causal chains of events that constitute the mechanisms of body function. The fundamental purpose of this textbook is to present the principles and facts of human physiology in a format that is suitable for undergraduates regardless of academic background or field of study. Vander's Human Physiology, thirteenth edition, carries on the tradition of clarity and accuracy, while refining and updating the content to meet the needs of today's instructors and students. The thirteenth edition features a streamlined, clinically oriented focus to the study of human body systems. It has also responded to reviewer requests for more clinical applications. Physiology Inquiries are maintained throughout the chapters. These critical-thinking questions associated with figures are just one more opportunity to add to the student's learning experience.

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The material is very well organized and presented in such a way that makes its learning easier. The book is full of pictures and diagrams. Many questions throughout each chapters enable the reader to apply the learned content to practical cases and to verify his degree of comprehension.

it is an excellent book, every practitioner must have a copy in any version, the printed or electronic. I have both Dr. Atef Gabrael, a medical graduate since 1965. Yes I have been a medical doctor since 1965 and I am still reading physiology. I think every doctor should be up to date, in the basics, physiology and anatomy.

I used this book in undergrad and Dr. Widmaier was my professor; I'm now in med school and have had Dr. Raff as my professor, and these guys know their physiology. This book helped form the foundations of many fundamental physiological concepts. Great pictures, great diagrams, and easy to read. The one thing I would say is that this is not a medical school level text. There are some concepts which it passes over, or does not describe; this book is for an undergraduate level understanding, I would say. Although Dr. Widmaier taught using his text to an audience of undergrads, Dr. Raff did not use the same text for an audience of medical students. This book is a straightforward and accessible approach for people who really need to start with square one as far as physiology goes. In that regard, it is excellent.

It is what it is; you must use this textbook for your class if that's the assigned book. It does a good job at explaining most concepts, but sometimes I was left thinking, "What? I need to go look this up in my other Physiology textbook, where it's explained better." 2 out of 5 of the instructors teaching my class did not care for this book. I prefer Silverthorn. I was recommended to seek out Boron's Medical Physiology for better material.

This book is very in depth. Hopefully if you purchased it for a class your professors are good about clarifying the detail. This book is truly written for people looking to get into healthcare careers and not for a general science major. Each chapter is chock full of information and detail that can get overwhelming. Set aside a lot of time for reading and studying this text.

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