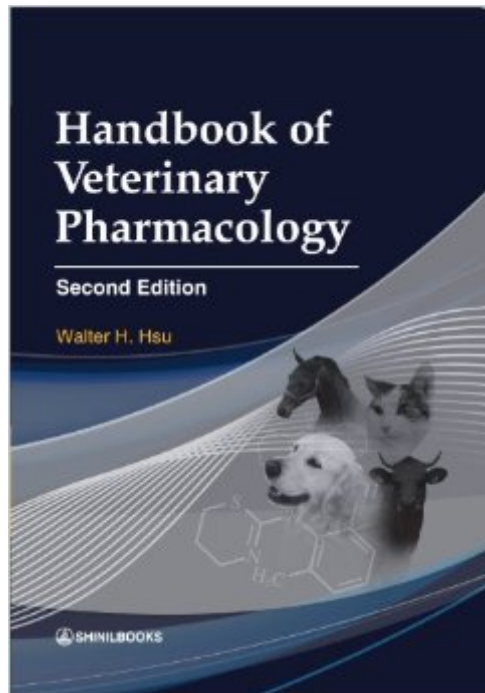


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Synopsis

(Reviewed by Journal of American Veterinary Medical Association Vol. 246, Issue 6, Page 623, March 2015) The content of the second edition of the Handbook of Veterinary Pharmacology has been updated since the 2008 release of the first edition. This edition remains true to the book's original purpose, which was to provide a concise reference for pharmacological concepts that will be appreciated by veterinary students during their clinical training and clinicians, especially during their first few years of practice. The organization of this edition remains the same as that of the first, with a general overview of pharmacological principles applied to all agents followed by chapters that focus on areas of usage (eg, drugs that affect the nervous system, behavior-modifying drugs, and anesthetics) instead of specific disease states. It is effectively divided into areas of interest that allow readers to quickly find information about specific groups of drugs. For each agent discussed in each chapter, an extensive description of that agent's pharmacodynamics is provided that includes its mechanism of action, pharmacokinetics, and adverse effects. Although the author discusses drug uses and administration options, this book is not meant to be a treatment guide. The liberal use of highlighted text and the test questions provided at the end of each chapter reinforce the feeling that this is a traditional textbook. Although this edition is well written and concise, it remains a reference book and it is intended for readers interested in improving their understanding of why drugs work the way they do. I recommend this book for the backpack of all veterinary students who are in the clinical training phase of their education and for the library of any clinician who wants a quick reference regarding the pharmacodynamics of the drugs they may use. It is not a formulary that contains doses for drugs or compares commonly used drugs, nor is it intended to be used to direct treatment. This book is meant to be used as a quick reference for important pharmacological properties of almost all commonly and not so commonly used drugs in veterinary medicine, and I feel that it meets that goal. Reviewed by David Aucoin, D.V.M., Diplomate, American College of Veterinary Clinical Pharmacology VCA Antech Any vet school or practicing vet needs Handbook of Veterinary Pharmacology: it's a guide to pharmacology concepts and commonly used veterinary drugs and provides an easy outline format to allow for quick access to drug information. Easy line drawings showing the mechanisms of action and study questions are included at the end of each chapter, with details on drug dosages, drug therapy for different domestic species, and clear diagrams. Perfect for students and practicing vets seeking a quick reference. --Midwest Book Review, January 2009

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I love the outline style of this book. I have a weak pharmacology background and this is causing me to struggle in my more advanced Vet school classes, like Anesthesia. A professor gave me her copy of the NVMS Pharmacology review book to borrow, and after some investigating I found Dr. Hsu's updated version. This book is easy to use and I appreciate all the quiz questions at the end of chapters. The outline style makes it easy to follow and understand; the wording is very clear and precise. This book is an essential tool for any veterinary student. HIGHLY RECOMMEND.

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