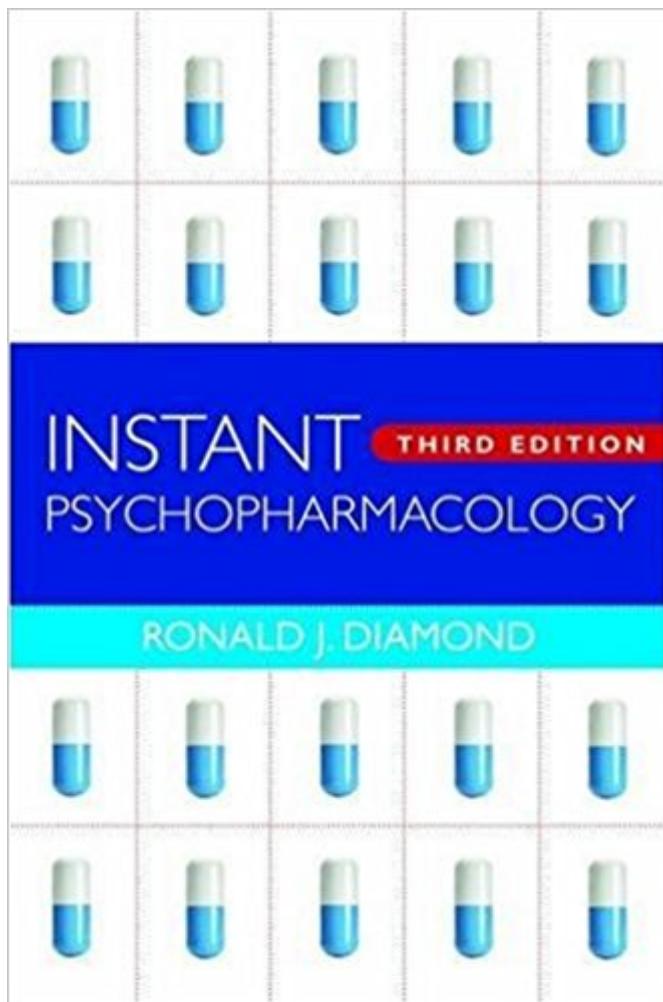


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First of all, I want to commend the clarity with which the author integrates his personal experience with prescribing and the research literature. The single most important revelation to me is the compelling description of the effectiveness of antipsychotics in situations other than psychoses. I was dead set against their use with non-psychotic patients, but after reading this material I will be able to advise primary care physicians more cogently and not "throw out the baby with the bath water." I am delighted to have chosen this particular material for my CEUs. It sharpened my knowledge, clarified some of my misconceptions and updated my repertoire. While hitherto I have given up on Borderlines, I see myself less reticent in working with them in the future and adding the help of a psychiatrist to my treatment plan. I recommend this book without hesitation to all non-physician therapists who work with patients in need of a medication regimen to add to a more comprehensive treatment plan. Good job and thank you, Dr. Diamond!

This book is informative and well suited for the class I used it in. It is attractive, easy to read and packed full of useful information. With that being said, I also found it amusing almost like an icebreaker with all of the typographical errors that were not fixed before it was released! The author makes note of errors found by a doctor and thanked him for finding them (pg. viii). The errors do not seem to detract from the meaning though! I'm sure they will fix them in the next edition. Overall, I enjoyed this book very much!!!

I am a pediatrician who wanted to know a bit more about drugs used for psychosis, depression, anxiety and ADHD. This book was an easy read, summarizing clinical trials without jargon and giving a bit of the author's personal perspective. I recommend this book for non-MD therapists and non-psychiatrist MDs. I think it is a bit too heavy for the average lay person, patient or parent.

Bought this book for a psycho-pharmacology class. Great read! Written very well and very informative. I use this in my practice as a reference quite often.

Diamond does an awesome job speaking from the psychiatrist perspective, yet including the importance of the client and other clinicians as critical players in care. comprehensive, up to date, and easy to read. highly recommended for professions involved with use and monitoring psychopharmaceuticals.

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Very useful, but they could have used a proofreader. Many typos and grammatical errors. Words missing.

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