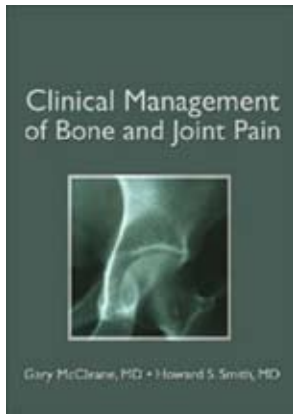


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Clinical Management of Bone and Joint Pain

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This book is a very practical and comprehensive guide to non-interventional and some interventional treatment for bone and joint pain. The non-interventional management, which includes pharmacological and non-pharmacological means, such as physiotherapy, rehabilitation and other physical and psychological therapy. It also includes basic physiology explaining

the mechanism of the different pathways of pain and includes basic pharmacology for drug used in pain management, whatever analgesic or non analgesic.

It also includes some of the interventional treatment like local nerve blocks and intra artericular blocks which in many instances are very helpful in treating certain pain conditions, It did not go in details into the sophisticated interventional management of pain management but still is useful and invaluable practical tool for certain specialists like general practitioners, rheumatologist, orthopaedics, and sport injury physicians.

I would recommend that this book be added in the library and will be an additional and useful reference for pain management.

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