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Review

Physiological and biochemical theories are all explained eloquently and succinctly and are accompanied by ample, easily understood diagrams... the reader is provided with a sturdy evidence-based approach to treating chronic pain... This book is a rare thing; it is both a quick reference practical guide that will be regularly opened in the consulting room and it also constitutes a comprehensive guide to "why and how to treat chronic pain"... It's a landmark publication that has the potential to considerably progress the management of chronic pain in veterinary patients.

?Debbie Grant, *Veterinary Practice*, July 2010

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?Louise Clark, *Journal of Small Animal Practice*, March 2011

...well-referenced chapters... Historical facts, demographic information and frequent reference to human medicine add interest for the reader... draw[s] together in one text useful information on a very diverse subject and as such merits a place in the university and practice library, especially as a reference text.

?Jackie Reid, *Veterinary Record*, July 2011

This is a very good guide to the understanding and management of pain, particularly as a result of a chronic condition. It is a very helpful reference that gives all the keys to practitioners looking for the most up-to-date information on pain in small animals. (4 stars)

?Guillaume Ragetly, DVM, PhD, University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, *Doody's Review Service*

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