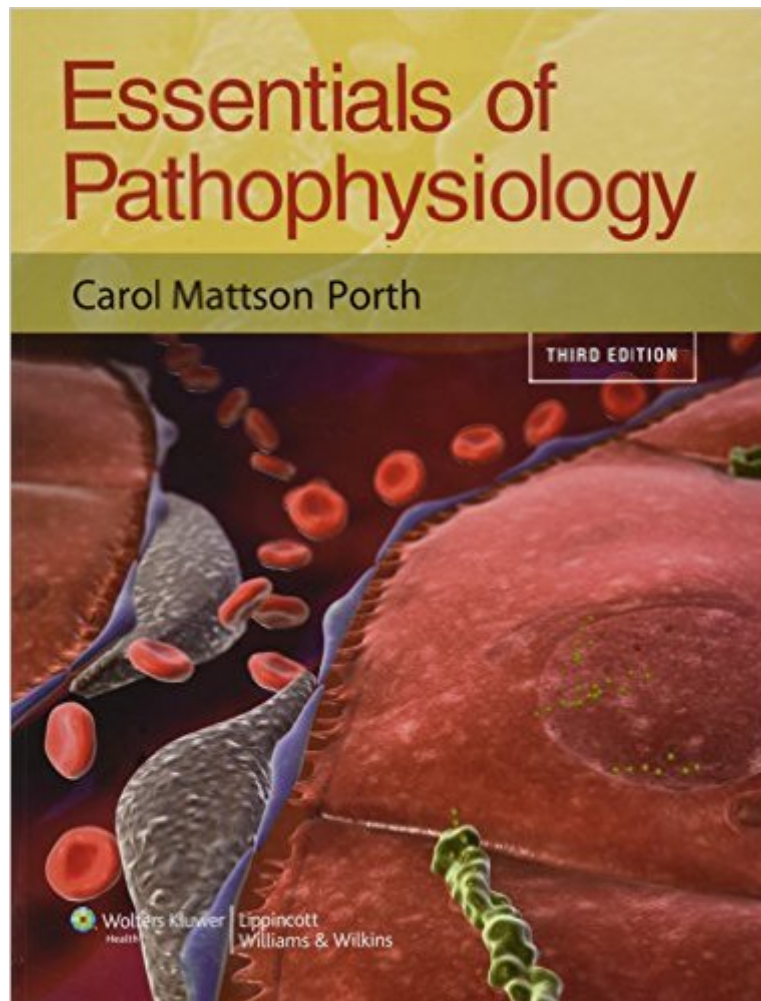


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Seriously speaking, if you're interested in becoming a pathophysiologist, then this is the book for you. It's a well-written book. However, it sometimes lacks clarity, and it's verbose. That said, I was quite pleased with its content and thoroughness. I'm not one for a clunky, unwieldy magnum opus, often made up of 1,000+ pages. I opted for this book because of its online availability, using an access code. Note well: The e-search feature, on which I'm often dependent, is nonfunctional. I'm also dependent on an e-highlighting tool. Again, worthless. I contacted customer support, and this is

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