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Growth Hormone and the Heart endeavors to bring together knowledge that has been accumulated in the area of GH and the heart, from basic to clinical studies, by research groups working on this topic throughout the world. Lessons from different experimental models and from several human diseases (acromegaly, adult GH deficiency, heart failure) suggest to endocrinologists and cardiologists that GH may not only have a role in the physiology and pathophysiology of heart function, but that GH itself may have a place in the treatment of primary heart diseases (such as dilated cardiomyopathy) or of cardiac complications of hypopituitarism. Growth Hormone and the Heart will be a useful update of the research produced in the field of cardiovascular endocrinology.

The Editors also hope that this book will serve as the primary step in the recognition of the wide physiological and clinical significance of GH and heart interactions.

When Jose Canseco burst into the Major Leagues in the 1980s, he changed the sport -- in more ways than one. No player before him possessed his mixture of speed and power, which allowed him to become the first man in history to belt more than forty home runs and swipe more than forty bases in the same season. He won Rookie of the

Year, Most Valuable Player, and a World Series ring. Canseco shattered the mold of the out-of-shape baseball player and ushered in a new era of superathletes who looked like bodybuilders, made outrageous salaries, and enjoyed rock-star lifestyles. And the ticket for this ride? Steroids. Behind the gaudy stats and the glamour of his public life, Canseco cultivated a secret just about everyone in MLB knew about, one that would alter the game of baseball and the way we view our heroes forever. Canseco made himself a guinea pig of the performance-enhancing drugs that were only just beginning to infiltrate the American underground. Anabolic steroids, human growth hormones -- Canseco mixed, matched, and experimented to such a degree that he became known throughout the league as "The Chemist." He passed his knowledge on to trainers and fellow players, and before long, performance-enhancing drugs were running rampant throughout Major League Baseball. Sluggers scooping up pitches at their ankles and blasting them out of the park, pitchers cranking fastballs inning after inning -- Canseco showed the players how to customize their doses to sculpt the bodies they wanted, and baseball as we know it was the result. Today, this issue has crept out of the closet and burst into the headlines as players balloon to herculean proportions and hundred-year-old records are not only broken, but also demolished. In this shocking memoir, Canseco sheds light on a life of dizzying highs and debilitating lows, provides the answers to questions about steroids that millions of fans are only now beginning to ask -- and suggests that, far from being a passing trend, the steroid revolution is only a taste of

things to come. Who's juiced? According to Canseco's authoritative account, more than you think. And baseball will never be the same.

Everyone has heard of nature's "biological clocks", the phenomenon of periodic activity in plants, animals and humans. But what does chronobiology have to do with modern medicine? This book presents in a concise but comprehensive fashion the basic principles of chronobiology and their application to clinical medicine. The chapters are written by specialists in the field; they summarize the physiology, pathophysiology and pathology of the human time structure and outline the application of chronobiologic principles and techniques for diagnosis and treatment.

This innovative, introductory text is authored by key subject leaders in clinical neuroendocrinology with decades of research and teaching experience. Addressing the need for a concise description of human neuroendocrine systems, this important review of various significant basic science advances is relevant for all levels of experience. An indispensable resource for a variety of learners, this book will also enable biomedical science graduate students to extend their knowledge using its valuable clinical context. Beautifully illustrated, this text integrates basic scientific principles with clinical cases and includes several illustrated imaging studies, and in-depth discussions of basic principles and their interpretations. Extensive reference lists of clinical papers, teaching resources and a selection of review questions are included with each chapter, emphasizing the real-life importance of basic neuroendocrine principles in human

health and disease. Clinical reviews are included to provide convenient links to more specialized texts, ensuring a successful springboard for learners worldwide.

It has been ten years since the National Hormone and Pituitary Program (then called the National Pituitary Agency) sponsored a symposium on human growth hormone (hGH). Numerous advances have occurred during this period. This book does not attempt to summarize past achievements. Rather, it deals with the contemporary issues in hGH research. A discussion of the present state of the art, of necessity, includes a review of the past. Some of the topics herein discussed include the following: 1. Growth hormone releasing factor (GRF). In 1973, the growth hormone inhibitory factor (somatostatin) had recently been discovered. The search for a releasing factor in humans led to its discovery not in the pituitary but in a pancreatic tumor that secreted growth hormone. The advances are discussed in this book. The current hope is that GRF will eventually become an effective therapeutic agent for idiopathic hypopituitarism in childhood and adolescence. 2. Biosynthesis of hGR by recombinant DNA technology. Current advances are discussed. Although hGH is not yet an approved drug, it will eventually become one. This will broaden our horizons in terms of hGH effectiveness in disorders other than hypopituitary dwarfism. The current experience with this type of hGH in both the United States and Europe is reviewed by several authors.

For 20 years, KIGS (Pfizer International Growth Database) has provided an outstanding tool for monitoring the use, efficacy and safety of growth hormone (GH) treatment in

children with short stature of varying origin. This volume offers a comprehensive update of the continuing experiences in KIGS and is based on data from more than 50 countries and more than 60,000 patients. International experts analyse in detail the basic auxological characteristics of patients and their response to GH treatment for a broad spectrum of growth disorders. These include idiopathic GH deficiency, organic GH deficiency due to a variety of causes such as congenital malformations and syndromes, genetic disorders or treatment for leukaemia or central nervous system tumours and short stature in children born small for gestational age, specific syndromes and systemic disorders. Each growth disorder is also covered by a review of relevant published data by international experts. KIGS has also established itself as a primary source of information about adverse events during long-term GH treatment in children. The recent analysis of KIGS data has revealed no new adverse drug reactions since the 10-year follow-up. Therefore, treatment with GH seems a low-risk intervention in children and adolescents with various growth disorders. The process of developing disease-specific growth response prediction models has been ongoing in KIGS for many years. The available models are accurate, precise and have a relatively high degree of predictive power, although further predictors of the growth response remain to be identified. The KIGS prediction models can be applied prospectively to new patients, enabling their GH therapy to be better tailored and monitored to achieve optimal growth, safety and cost outcomes. The future of KIGS within the era of

evidence-based medicine will continue to depend upon the quality of the data reported. Therefore, the commitment of participating physicians will continue to be a decisive element. The ongoing recognition of the importance of valid safety and efficacy information in the practice of paediatric endocrinology is exemplified by this valuable international collaboration of clinicians and the pharmaceutical community.

Sex-Steroid Interactions with Growth Hormone presents the proceedings of an international symposium held from October 22-25 in Naples, Florida. The proceedings provide new insights and concepts gained by molecular, cellular and neuroendocrine research into mechanistic interactions of the reproductive and somatotrophic axes. Chapters include discussions of the impact of sex steroids on growth hormone secretion in both children and adults; sex steroids, growth hormone releasing factor, and somatostatin; how sex steroids modulate growth hormone action on target issues; and differential effects of growth hormone secretagogues in men and women. This volume is designed for physicians, scientists and other health professionals interested or trained in clinical and basic endocrinology, growth or reproduction.

Examines the history of performance-enhancing drugs in major league baseball, focusing on high-profile athletes who have been busted or otherwise implicated in scandal.

Drug use and abuse is perhaps the biggest challenge facing sport today. However, in the eye of the storm of public and press opinion and with medals and morals at stake, it

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can be difficult to gain a clear perspective on this complex issue. *Drugs in Sport* is the most comprehensive and accurate text available on the subject. Now in a fully revised and updated fifth edition, taking into account the latest regulations, methods and landmark cases, the book explores the hard science behind drug use in sport, as well as the ethical, social, political and administrative context. Key topics include: mode of action and side effects of each major class of drugs used in sport discussion of cutting-edge issues, including gene doping the latest doping control regulations of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) methods and advances in doping control, including new intelligence-led detection policies the use of Therapeutic Use Exemption for certain drugs banned in sport issues surrounding non-prohibited substances and ergogenic aids an assessment of the prevalence of drug taking in sport. Accessibly written, extensively referenced, and supported throughout with illustrative case studies and data, *Drugs in Sport* provides a comprehensive, objective resource for students and researchers, athletes, sports scientists, coaches, journalists, sports administrators and policymakers.

Examines the history of performance-enhancing drugs in college athletics, focusing on high-profile athletes who have been busted or otherwise implicated in scandal.

The first two years of life represent a transition period when growth changes from predominantly growth hormone (GH) independent to GH dependent. This book, *Growth Disorders and Acromegaly*, includes two parts. The first part consists of five chapters

that illustrate the nature, causes, types, signs, and symptoms of GH deficiency (GHD) and fetal growth restriction. It describes the impact of GH and its deficiency on different biological systems in children and adults. Also, this book assesses the role of human GH (hGH) and insulin-growth factor1 (IGF-1) gene families during pregnancy. This book offers several novel insights of GH in male reproductive health. The second part consists of three chapters that show the pegvisomant, colorectal neoplasms in acromegaly, epidemiology and underlying mechanisms, and the surgical managements of acromegaly. Finally, this book will be of interest to scientists, embryologists, neuroendocrinologists, neurotoxicologists, and physicians who follow recent developments in the field of growth disorders.

The various congresses on growth hormone (GH) which have been held in Milan since 1967, the Milan Congresses, have witnessed over 25 years the tremendous expansion of a research field that was based initially upon the scarce knowledge of the biological properties of a protein. GH, whose chemical structure had just been identified and a radioimmunoassay developed for its measurement in blood, became in the following years a major area of biological research. The boundaries have since become blurred, as the research area has extended to the physiology and pathology of growth, puberty and reproduction, and the control of metabolism during the whole lifespan. Since the last GH Congress held in 1987, GH studies using the molecular biological approach have resulted in the purification, cloning and expression of the human GH (hGH) recep

tor and binding protein, in new and exciting information on the insulin-like growth factors (IGF) and their paracrine and autocrine roles, and in the awareness that a panoply of binding proteins are present in the extracellular fluids and can, possibly, modulate IGF-receptor interactions and, thus, IGF actions. Finally, the availability of large amounts of biosynthetic hGH, besides allowing more extensive clinical use in states of GH deficiency and extrasomatotropic pathologies, has permitted disclosure of important metabolic effects of hGH during adulthood and, perhaps, aging and in many protein catabolic states.

Pursuant to a congressional request, GAO provided information on the use, distribution, production, and health risks of anabolic steroids and human growth hormone, focusing on the estimated use of anabolic steroids among high school and college students and the adult population. GAO found that: (1) most of the studies that addressed the prevalence of anabolic steroids indicated that high school, college and professional athletes were the primary misusers, while others participating in sports used them to a lesser extent; (2) most of the misusers were male; (3) as many as 6.6 percent of 12th grade males, mostly athletes, and 15 to 20 percent of college athletes used steroids; (4) although a high percentage of weightlifters used steroids, there was little information on the use of steroids outside of high schools and colleges; (5) studies showed that steroids could increase the risk of heart disease, produce liver toxicities, affect sex characteristics and reproductive capacity, cause possible psychological disorders and

tendon and ligament injuries, and result in stunted growth in children; (6) although several sports associations prohibited the use of steroids and implemented drug-testing programs to monitor steroid use among their athletes, athletes could abstain from the use of the drugs before the tests to avoid detection; (7) from 1979 through 1988, U.S. manufacturers' anabolic steroid distribution totalled 53.2 million grams, while imports totalled 26.2 million grams; (8) between 1984 and 1988, hospitals and retail pharmacies purchased 26.1 million grams of anabolic steroids; (9) sales of steroids on the black market totalled \$300 to \$400 million annually; (10) there was little information on the use of human growth hormone abuses because that was a recent phenomenon; and (11) the increased interest in and potential health risks associated with the use of anabolic steroids prompted considerable legislative and administrative activities.

"Frattasio tells the story of taking and selling steroids during the 1980s, a period when steroid prescriptions were legal and law enforcement ignored their use. Writing from the perspective of the average athlete, he describes the different drugs he took and their effects, how he was featured in muscle magazines, faced interrogation by a federal marshal, and other experiences"--ProtoView. Three years of resolute weightlifting had not gone as planned for this scrawny 18-year-old. But it was 1980 and a legal prescription for the magic elixir, anabolic steroids, was just \$20. Now he would transform himself while away at college and return home with trophy-winning strength and a body like a Greek god--a Charles Atlas magazine ad come to life. That didn't go

quite as planned either. This revealing memoir recounts an athlete's experiences with performance enhancing drugs at a time when the public and law enforcement knew little about them. Venturing into the "steroid underground," the author used and sold them, was featured in muscle magazines, went under a surgeon's knife and faced interrogation by a federal marshal.

Evidence generated by a number of genetic studies indicates that growth is regulated by a number of genes and that interference with their expression can have catastrophic effects on the well being of the whole organism. This work covers skeletal development and growth.

The neuroendocrine system plays a pivotal role in the control of growth, puberty, reproduction, and intermediate metabolism. This title presents the research on neuroendocrine physiology, advances in the control of the onset of puberty and its disorders, and basic and clinical aspects of the GH/IGF-1 and hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal axes.

It has been known for over 40 years that GH-deficient-children benefit from replacement with the hormone. But GH, essential for longitudinal growth, also plays a role after completion of final height. With the introduction of biosynthetic human GH 20 years ago, the use of GH was no longer restricted to severe growth retardation in hypopituitary children. This book will take the reader behind the myths of GH and into the real world of clinical endocrinology. The

contributions stem from recognized clinicians and scientists who have been working in the field for decades. The contents encompass traditional end points of GH therapy such as body composition, bone biology and physical performance. Attention is also devoted to diagnostic aspects and side effects. Additional features range from clinical epidemiology to quality of life, and novel areas such as the impact of traumatic brain injury on pituitary function are also covered. The present volume of *Frontiers of Hormone Research* is essential reading for health care professionals interested in clinical endocrinology and GH.

Drug Misuse Anabolic Steroids and Human Growth Hormone BiblioGov

There are no complicated chemical structures or complex explanations here, just some basic facts and figures, in easy-to-read layman's terms, on the top twenty steroids currently used in bodybuilding today, and how some athletes use them, as well as profiles on Human Growth Hormone and Insulin, along with current info on the prices they roughly sell for on the black market. Products profiled: Testosterone Cypionate, Testosterone Enanthate, Testosterone Propionate, Testosterone Heptylate, Testosterone Decanoate, Testosterone Unecanoate, Methyl-testosterone, Fluoxymesterone, Oxymetholone, Trenbolone Acetate, Nandrolone Decanoate, Methandrostenolone, Boldenone Undecylenate, Methenolone Enanthate, Oxandrolone, Stanozolol, Drostanolone Enanthate,

Mesterolone, Stenbolone, Sanabolum plus.... Human Growth Hormone and Insulin.

Athletes in numerous sports have been caught using drugs to improve their performance. Contributors analyze the causes and implications of this phenomenon.

There are no complicated chemical structures or complex explanations here, just some basic facts and figures, in layman's terms, on what sorts of steroids are used in bodybuilding today and how bodybuilders use them, including the most commonly used steroids on the market, how they are used and in what quantities, as well as Post Steroid Therapy, Human Growth Hormone, Mechano Growth Factor, IGF1, insulin, growth hormone releasing peptides and examples of various stacks and cycles. Also profiled is Sanabolum; the most talked about anabolic steroid on the planet. If you are going to use steroids, or thinking about it, and want some quick, easy-to-read basic information in one place, rather than getting lost amongst the thousands of pages and millions of words on the Internet, and getting confused with the complex structures and explanations, then this is definitely the book for you!

GROWTH HORMONE (GH) IS A HOT TOPIC. It seems that all of the movie stars, celebrities, and body-builders are taking it, and they look fantastic. Baby

boomers interested in anti-aging are taking it and saying that it keeps them young. But you may have heard that it is expensive... and dangerous. So what's the story? What are your options? Do you need it? Should you take it? How do you use it? Can you afford it? How can you raise GH naturally? We will see how GH levels drop as we get older, when to intervene, and what treatment options are available to optimize health. Carefully read this book before making any decisions about using GH supplements. This book could save you from an early death, either from using risky supplements or from not doing anything at all. You will learn how to determine if you need GH replacement. You will find out how to get tested and what tests you will need. You will learn what options you have for GH replacement, risks, side effects, and affordability.

Examines the history of performance-enhancing drugs in the National Football League, focusing on high-profile athletes who have been busted or otherwise implicated in scandal.

Wound healing and its treatment are subjects that have been discussed for centuries in the medical literature. Wounds are everywhere, occurring in the young and elderly and in hospital and at home, and affect patients in every clinical specialty around the world. There are many publications on wound healing, but this book intends to give an overview of its current perspectives so

as to be useful to practice care in wound healing and to improve the quality of life. It is considered that this book will be useful for clinicians who are interested in wound care.

A septuagenarian fitness expert outlines a program that combines exercise, nutrition, hormones and holistic medicine to counsel men on how to approach aging from a strong and healthy perspective, drawing on various exercise disciplines while providing an accessible menu schedule. Reprint. 50,000 first printing.

The first edition of this work, published in 1982, concentrated on the athlete's use of and the physician's knowledge of, anabolic steroids. This fully updated second edition discusses the continuing controversy over their use in competitive sports. An introduction of the use and abuse of anabolic steroids is followed by chapters on such topics as anabolic steroid compounds, the anabolic-to-androgen ratio, basic principles of muscle building, current anabolic steroid preparations, anabolic steroid regimes used by athletes, the enhancement of athletic performance, adverse physical effects and mental health risks, the classification of anabolic steroids as controlled substances, growth hormones and other anabolic hormones, the limits of urine drug testing, medical applications of anabolic steroids, muscle building and ergogenic supplements, and addictions.

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Accordingly to our knowledge this is the only book on the market written by experts who practically combine theoretical knowledge (academic education) as professionals in Biochemistry and Health Sciences with practical achievements in strength and bodybuilding sports. This book provides a reader with scientifically proven data and information and authors restrained themselves from using of internet wisdom. The authors do not provide you with phony miraculous steroid cycles that, in reality, work only on a few chosen ones. The book is a solid compendium on anabolic androgenic steroids that currently are used by majority bodybuilders. It also tackles the problem of health risk of steroid use/abuse. In special chapters application of insulin and Human Growth Hormone is also discussed. Short note about the authors: IGOR Z. ZUBRZYCKI was born in Wroclaw (Breslau). In 1989, he was awarded a MSc degree in Biology, at the University of Wroclaw, Poland. In 1993, he completed MSc Eng. in Biotechnology at Technical University of Wroclaw, Poland. In 1993, he also completed a PhD in Biochemistry at the University of Cape Town, South Africa. In 2001, he was awarded a DSc by the Nicolaus Copernicus University. He completed postdoctoral studies in Louisiana State University, Pittsburgh University Medical School, Philipps- Universitt Marburg, European Molecular Biology Laboratory - Heidelberg, Universitt Rostock. He has held the position of a

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In your complex and dynamic field, it can be a struggle to continually integrate the latest scientific and clinical information into your everyday patient care. The 11th Edition of this beloved reference is the solution! Leading authorities provide just the right blend of scientific insight and clinical know-how to help you overcome any clinical challenge. A new full-color, extremely user-friendly format makes reference a snap. And, full-text online access lets you search the contents rapidly from any computer! Chapters bridge the gap between basic science and clinical applications, providing the right context for optimal diagnosis and treatment. Chapters by the leading authorities in endocrinology equip you with authoritative opinions on any challenge you face. New chapters on hormones and athletic performance - neuroendocrine control of appetite and body weight - and HIV/AIDS keep you up to date on these timely topics. New evidence-based screening algorithms and treatment boxes deliver reliable clinical guidance at a glance. New full-color illustrations throughout help you grasp

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essential concepts easily. Full-text online access lets you search the book instantly on your computer and download images for your next presentation.

Reviews advances in our understanding of the role of growth hormone in health and disease. In the summer of 1998 two of baseball leading sluggers, Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa, embarked on a race to break Babe Ruth's single season home run record. The nation was transfixed as Sosa went on to hit 66 home runs, and McGwire 70. Three years later, San Francisco Giants All-Star Barry Bonds surpassed McGwire by 3 home runs in the midst of what was perhaps the greatest offensive display in baseball history. Over the next three seasons, as Bonds regularly launched mammoth shots into the San Francisco Bay, baseball players across the country were hitting home runs at unprecedented rates. For years there had been rumors that perhaps some of these players owed their success to steroids. But crowd pleasing homers were big business, and sportswriters, fans, and officials alike simply turned a blind eye. Then, in December of 2004, after more than a year of investigation, San Francisco Chronicle reporters Mark Fainaru-Wada and Lance Williams broke the story that in a federal investigation of a nutritional supplement company called BALCO, Yankees slugger Jason Giambi had admitted taking steroids. Barry Bonds was also implicated. Immediately the issue of steroids became front page news. The revelations led to Congressional hearings on baseball's drug problems and continued to drive the effort to purge the U.S. Olympic movement of drug cheats. Now Fainaru-Wada and Williams expose for the first time the secrets of the BALCO investigation that has turned the sports world upside down. Game of Shadows: Barry Bonds, BALCO, and the Steroid Scandal That Rocked Professional by award-winning investigative journalists Mark Fainaru-Wada and Lance Williams, is a riveting narrative about the biggest

doping scandal in the history of sports, and how baseball's home run king, Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants, came to use steroids. Drawing on more than two years of reporting, including interviews with hundreds of people, and exclusive access to secret grand jury testimony, confidential documents, audio recordings, and more, the authors provide, for the first time, a definitive account of the shocking steroids scandal that made headlines across the country. The book traces the career of Victor Conte, founder of the BALCO laboratory, an egomaniacal former rock musician and self-proclaimed nutritionist, who set out to corrupt sports by providing athletes with "designer" steroids that would be undetectable on "state-of-the-art" doping tests. Conte gave the undetectable drugs to 28 of the world's greatest athletes—Olympians, NFL players and baseball stars, Bonds chief among them. A separate narrative thread details the steroids use of Bonds, an immensely talented, moody player who turned to performance-enhancing drugs after Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals set a new home run record in 1998. Through his personal trainer, Bonds gained access to BALCO drugs. All of the great athletes who visited BALCO benefited tremendously—Bonds broke McGwire's record—but many had their careers disrupted after federal investigators raided BALCO and indicted Conte. The authors trace the course of the probe, and the baffling decision of federal prosecutors to protect the elite athletes who were involved. Highlights of Game of Shadows include: Barry Bonds A look at how Bonds was driven to use performance-enhancing drugs in part by jealousy over Mark McGwire's record-breaking 1998 season. It was shortly thereafter that Bonds—who had never used anything more performance enhancing than a protein shake from the health food store—first began using steroids. How Bonds's weight trainer, steroid dealer Greg Anderson, arranged to meet Victor Conte before the 2001

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A state-of-the-art and concise guide to the clinical management of pediatric endocrine disorders, the second edition of the highly regarded *Pediatric Endocrinology: A Practical Clinical Guide* covers the most common and challenging conditions seen by practicing endocrinologists and primary care physicians, including growth, hypothalamic, pituitary, adrenal, thyroid, calcium and bone, and reproductive disorders, as well as metabolic syndromes. This expanded second edition includes new topics being seen more commonly in pediatric endocrinology practices related to obesity and type 2 diabetes mellitus and lipid disorders. Each chapter contains an introductory discussion of the problem, a review of the clinical features that characterize it, the criteria needed to establish a diagnosis, and a comprehensive therapy section delineating the risks and benefits of the best therapeutic options available. Invaluable tables summarize the critical factors in etiology, clinical presentation, diagnosis, and therapeutic dosages. *Pediatric Endocrinology: A Practical Clinical Guide, Second Edition*, is a comprehensive resource for all clinicians concerned with the myriad endocrinologic disorders seen in children and adolescents.

Restricted growth conditions are a group of genetic disorders with primary effect on growth (short stature); it is very heterogeneous and comprises two important categories: skeletal dysplasia and different genetic syndromes with primary effect on growth. It could also be caused by a medical condition. The book contains chapters regarding different aspects of the study of restricted growth that are divided into three broad sections. Section I: Defining Restricted Growth, Section

II: Genetics and Diagnosis of Restricted Growth, and Section III: Signaling Pathways and Molecular Mechanisms of Restricted Growth. The book presents comprehensive reviews of each topic written by experts in the field. It will be the most valuable tool for physicians and life science researchers and students. We hope that the book will motivate discussion and research in this important health problem, setting the path for better therapeutic approaches.

This book is an up-to-date, extensive overview of the effects of physical activity and training on endocrine function. It gives insights into a complex relationship by describing effects with respect to exercise performance, growth, development, and ageing. It includes discussions of the endocrine response depending on exercise mode, intensity, and duration as well as on gender, age, and fitness level. Additionally the book deals with the impact of environmental and psychological factors on endocrine level. A substantial part of Sports Endocrinology is devoted to the 'hot topic' of hormonal doping in sports. The properties of androgens, growth hormone, erythropoietin, and dietary supplements are highlighted. The use and abuse among professional and recreational athletes is discussed and specific methods of detection are presented and explained. All contributors are well-known experts in sports medicine and endocrinology, endocrine physiology, pharmacology, and doping

detection, so this book is a must-read for every professional involved in the field. Drug abuse in sports has become so widespread that it threatens the safety, health, and longevity of athletes, while perverting the idea of sport as the play of the spirit. This text begins by exploring the societal and athlete-specific foundations of drug abuse. The second part details and describes the drugs most commonly used by athletes. Part III addresses the issue of recognizing and managing drug abuse in the athlete. A final chapter analyzes the legal aspects of the subject. Appendices include the policy of the American College of Sports Medicine, and the drug testing policies of major national and international sports organizations. For physicians and professionals working with competitive or recreational athletes. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR A former New York Mets clubhouse employee whose testimony informed the 2007 Mitchell Report describes how his duties included providing steroids and human growth hormone to players while helping them to beat drug tests. Sports persons abuse androgenic-anabolic steroid (AAS) for cosmetic reasons (Pope et al., 2000) and to improve muscle mass and strength (Bhasin et al., 1996) with the intention of improving performance. MS abuse causes physiological and psychological dependence (Brower et al., 2002) and adverse cardiovascular effects (Graham et al., 2006b). sports persons also abuse

recombinant human (rh) growth hormone (GH) and insulin for similar reasons and because it is still undetectable by urinalysis (Powrie et al., 2007). The purpose of this thesis was to determine the prevalence of abuse of rhGH and insulin with the intention of identifying any adverse physiological and haematological effects. The first study consisted of a questionnaire design that attempted to discover the prevalence of abuse of AAS. From the distribution of 210 questionnaires (response rate 70%) it was concluded that there were increases in the abuse of the drugs, growth hormone (24%) and insulin (14%) in comparison to earlier findings (Grace et al., 2001r The purpose of the second study was to investigate the effects of 30 days rhGH administration (0.013 mg.kg⁻¹, n=36) in an abstinent AAS group (rhGH) compared with an exercise control group (BC) and a sedentary control group (SC). Packed cell volume (PCV) significantly decreased within the rhGH group (0.47±0.03 vs. 0.45±0.02, ratio; P

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