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Sommario/riassunto	Stroke is a medical emergency that requires immediate medical attention. With active and efficient nursing management in the initial hours after stroke onset and throughout subsequent care, effective recovery and rehabilitation is increased. Acute Stroke Nursing provides an evidence-based, practical text facilitating the provision of optimal stroke care during the primary prevention, acute and continuing care phases. This timely and comprehensive text is structured to follow the acute stroke pathway experienced by patients. It explores the causes, sy