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The book *Suffering the Slings and Arrows Of Outrageous Fortune: International Perspectives on Stress, Laughter and Depression* highlights topics covered at an inaugural inter-disciplinary conference *Making Sense of Stress Humour and Healing* held in Budapest in May 2005. The chapters provide a truly international and inter-disciplinary perspective on the subject. Contributors to this volume come not only from a wide variety of disciplines and backgrounds but also from many parts of the globe. They speak of universal truths and of site-specific concerns. They do not all speak with one voice and some of their points diverge one from the other but each sheds their own light on the topics, allowing readers to form a richer picture of the issues than might otherwise be possible.

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