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regulators, financing specialists, healthcare providers and insurers in a continuous professional development mode. This lexicon is therefore a most suitable and economical tool for fast and conclusive information for all key-players in the development of medicines at the working place, in postgraduate training as well as during graduate education. This book is an indispensable aid in any medical library. Prof. Dr. med. Dr. h. c. Fritz R.
