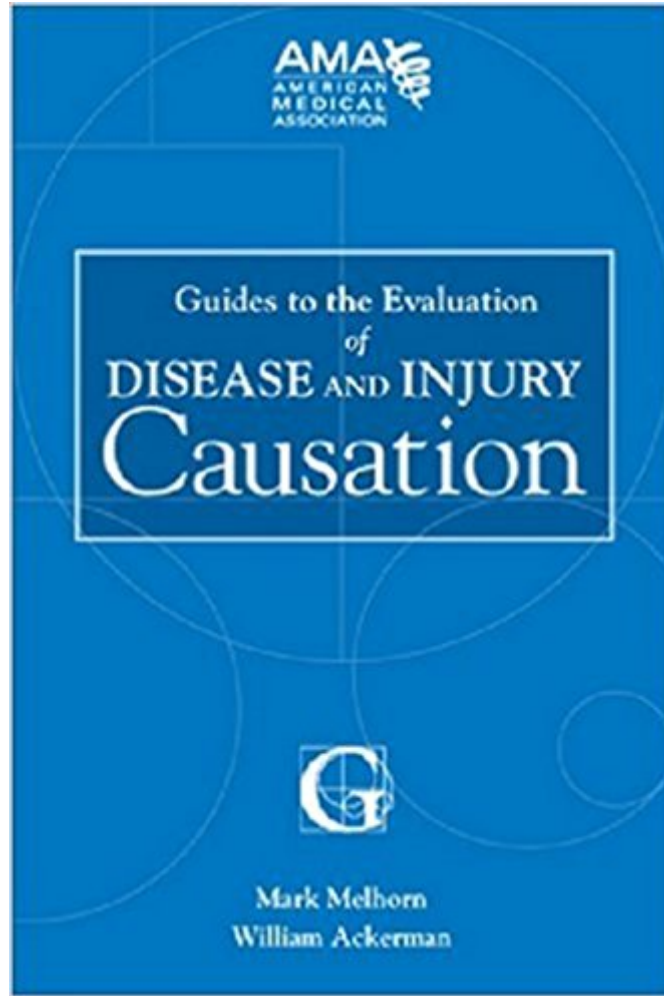


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Synopsis

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Currently, it is a reference that compiles info from a multitude of sources and analyses the probable proximate relationship between the condition and causation. Well presented and referenced.

Finally a book that tackles the mythology of traditional held beliefs about medical causation. Using a standardized analytical analysis of the scientific medical literature, this book is an authoritative view of many current maladies that are the fodder of attorneys who attempt to use emotion and tradition to attempt to prove cause and effect as opposed to science. The Upper Extremity Chapter is especially helpful. Drs Melhorn, Martin, and Brooks have collaborated on this chapter which hopefully will be a mainstay for any physician who takes care of the workers compensation patient. Let's be clear though. This is not a book that deals with compensability. That is a completely different issue and in many jurisdictions compensability of the diagnosis in question does not equal

causation.

A ridiculous number of "diseases" and "injuries" are attributed on a daily basis to an individual's employment despite a dearth of scientific evidence establishing such cause. Indeed, for many of the most commonly diagnosed "work-related" conditions there was until recently no studies of causation whatsoever. For many there remain none. This book offers a sobering account of the current state of the medical literature. Critics would be well served by filling in the scientific gaps with evidence-based medicine instead of experience-based medicine. It is impossible to prevent injury when the cause of the injury is unknown.

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