Examines the risk factors and mechanisms involved in the transition from acute to chronic back pain.

The book integrates genetic, biomechanical-neurobiological, psychophysiological, psychosocial, and socioeconomic risk factors. Moreover, the text examines advances in treatment approaches based on evidence from published studies ranging from prevention of disability to pharmacological, psychological, and rehabilitative strategies and methods.

Broad in scope, and with contributions from leading authorities in their respective fields, this book is a valuable and comprehensive work for the many specialties involved with back pain—including those in the fields of clinical and health psychology, physiology, epidemiology, and pain.