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Encompassing the three major interrelated areas in which optimization and evaluation of drug developability is most critical—pharmacokinetics and drug metabolism, pharmaceutics, and safety assessment—this unique resource encourages integrated thinking in drug discovery. The contributors to this volume: