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from L2 or L3. A simple lumbar manipulation procedure (from end chapters of the book on techniques) relieves the pain, and relieves the psychological stress of the patient. The two pictures and a photograph on page 395 says it all. There is not much on isometric exercises, which are in any event temporary fixes. The stretching manoeuvres of chiropractors do not receive coverage in this book. I am getting cynical over new editions of proven texts. I doubt if this distillation of a lot of wisdom can be improved in any material way. I stand to be corrected and would be the first to rush to get the 2nd edition if information on additional material is given. The material cannot be "revised". This book worked for me for a decade and a half. Grateful patients have been my greatest reward from this book.

In this work, Dr Maigne demonstrates his successful manipulation techniques for treating pain of spinal origin. A detailed chapter on infiltrations illustrates effective therapy for mechanical joint pain. The text is intended for those in the field of rehabilitation medicine.

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