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I'll start with the positive: 1. There’s about a 1000 pages of information complete with 1000’s of references (listed online), colorful illustrations and diagrams. The text doesn’t dumb the material down, and explains nearly everything. A person that reads and studies this book can go from near complete ignorance to a very solid understanding of human physiology and how it adapts to exercise. 2. The text differentiates between what is substantiated knowledge and what is conjecture or expert opinion of the authors for the most part. See the negative. 

The negative: 1. The authors write from a perspective of achieving and maintaining general health, and not achieving athletic excellence or elite status. If you are a coach or athlete striving for athletic superiority, there are better books for you. 2. My biggest gripe: the authors are obsessed with endurance training and fitness. Whenever they describe a trained athlete, they go on to talk about an endurance athlete. Fitness to them means endurance fitness. Unless you are reading a section specifically devoted to maximum strength, power, or hypertrophy, the authors will ultimately end up supporting their contentions with studies of endurance athletes. This is sad because tremendous evidence shows that endurance training is contraindicative to many aspects (strength, power, RFD, speed, hormone response) of athletic improvement. This book mentions the negative consequences of endurance training and then the authors attempt to belittle them and justify endurance training. It is clear the authors have bias for endurance training. A book 1000 pages long and titled "Exercise Physiology" should be much more balanced and objective. 3.

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