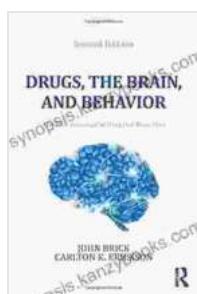


# The Pharmacology of Drug Use Disorders: Delving into the Neurochemical Underpinnings of Addiction

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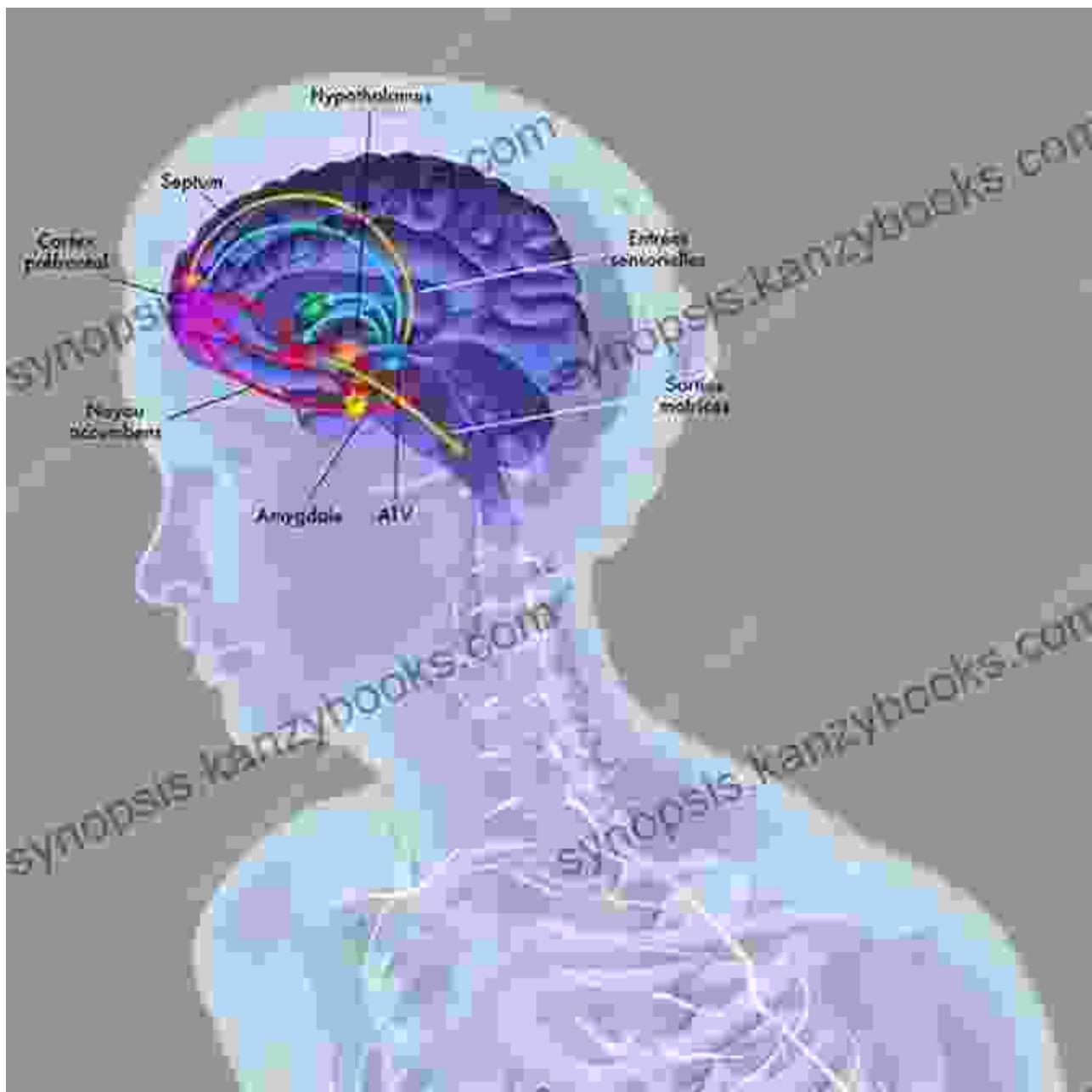
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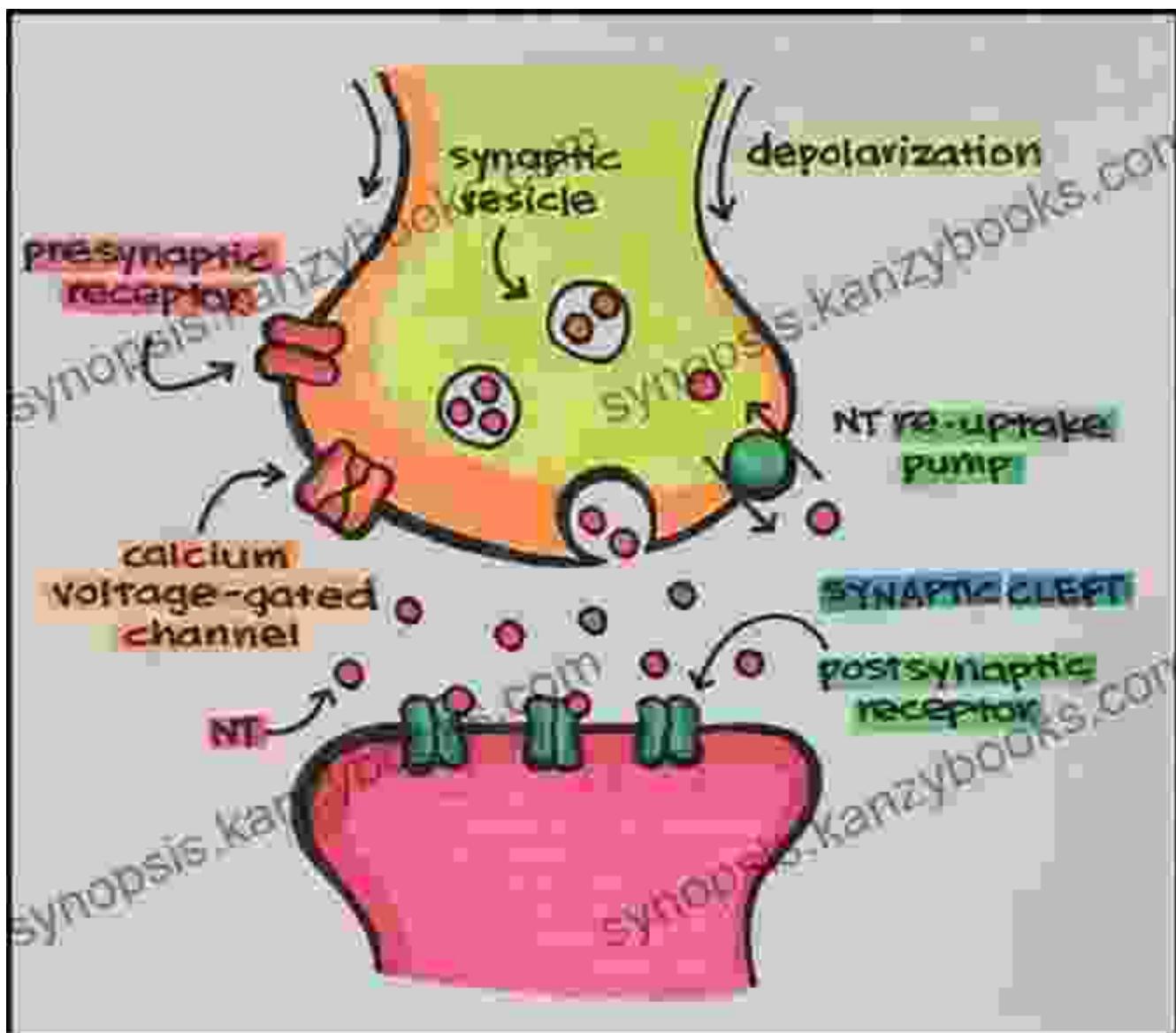
This book delves into the intricate neurochemical mechanisms of drug-induced reward, examining the role of specific neurotransmitters, receptors, and signaling pathways. It highlights the fundamental understanding of how drugs manipulate the brain's natural reward mechanisms, leading to the development and maintenance of addiction.



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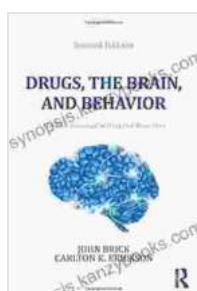
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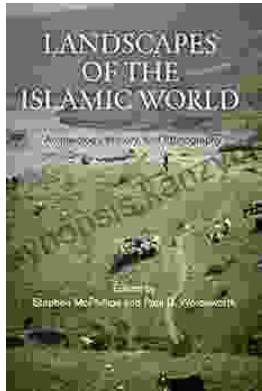
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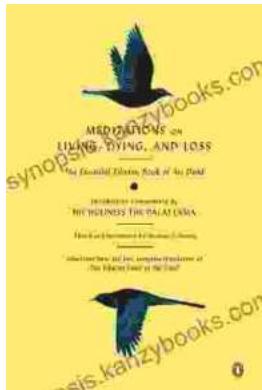
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