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"Michael Backes presents much valuable knowledge collected from diverse disciplines, supporting present-day practical approaches to effectively using medical cannabis—most importantly, which varieties may work best for certain medical conditions—and prepares us for what to expect in the near future. Cannabis Pharmacy is well written, informative, and most of all a timely as well as a fascinating read." — Robert C. Clarke, Projects Manager, International Hemp Association, and author of *Cannabis: Evolution and Ethnobotany*

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#### About the Author

**Michael Backes** specializes in cannabis science and policy issues at a southern California consultancy, which maintains clients throughout the United States. He previously founded the first evidence-based medical cannabis dispensary. Backes is active with Project CBD, a non-profit educational service dedicated to promoting research into the medical utility of cannabidiol (a non-psychoactive cannabis molecule), the

International Association for Cannabinoid Medicines, and is a member of the American Herbal Products Association's Cannabis Committee. He lives in Southern California.

**Andrew Weil, M.D.**, is a world-renowned leader and pioneer in the field of integrative medicine, a healing-oriented approach to health care, which encompasses body, mind, and spirit. He holds undergraduate and medical degrees from Harvard University. Approximately 10 million of Dr. Weil's books have been sold, including *Spontaneous Healing*, *8 Weeks to Optimal Health*, and *Healthy Aging*.

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