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'This book is a thought-provoking and timely contribution to important debates on the lived experience and management of the body at work. The authors of the various chapters in *Body/Sex/Work* explore this relationship in a variety of fascinating yet relatively neglected workplace settings, offering significant insights that should be of considerable interest to students and researchers within a range of social science disciplines.' - Dr. Melissa Tyler, Reader in Management, University of Essex, UK

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