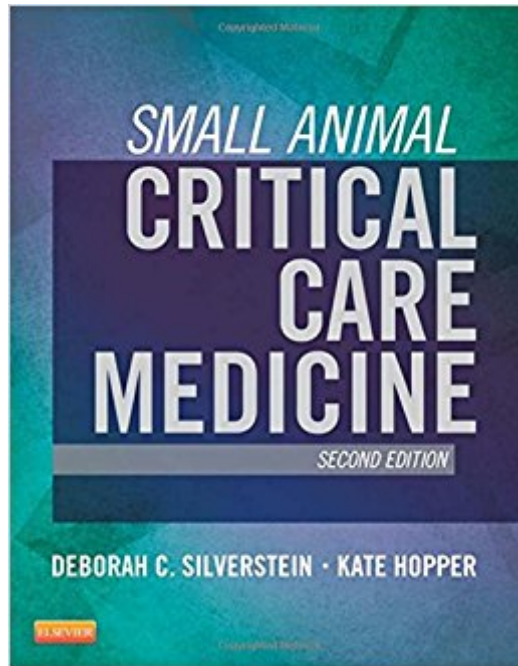




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Synopsis

Emphasizing evidence-based therapy for critically ill or injured dogs and cats, *Small Animal Critical Care Medicine*, 2nd Edition puts diagnostic and management strategies for common disorders at your fingertips. It covers critical care medical therapy, monitoring, and prognosis from triage and stabilization through the entire course of acute medical crisis and intensive care treatment. To make therapeutic decisions easier, clear guidelines address underlying clinical findings, pathophysiology, outpatient follow-up, and long-term care. From lead editors Deborah Silverstein and Kate Hopper, along with a Who's Who of experts from the veterinary emergency and critical care world, this comprehensive reference helps you provide the highest standard of care for ICU patients. Over 200 concise chapters are thoroughly updated to cover all of the clinical areas needed for evaluating, diagnosing, managing, and monitoring a critical veterinary patient. More than 150 recognized experts offer in-depth, authoritative guidance on emergency and critical care clinical situations from a variety of perspectives. A problem-based approach focuses on clinically relevant details. A Practical, user-friendly format makes reference quick and easy with summary tables, boxes highlighting key points, illustrations, and algorithmic approaches to diagnosis and management. Hundreds of full-color illustrations depict various emergency procedures such as chest tube placement. Appendices offer quick access to the most often needed calculations, conversion tables, continuous rate infusion determinations, reference ranges, and more. All-NEW chapters include Minimally Invasive Diagnostics and Therapy, T-FAST and A-FAST, Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS), Multiple Organ Dysfunction Syndrome (MODS), Sepsis, Physical Therapy Techniques, ICU Design and Management, and Communication Skills and Grief Counseling. NEW! Coverage of basic and advanced mechanical ventilation helps you deliver high-quality care to patients with respiratory failure. NEW! Coverage of increasingly prevalent problems seen in the Intensive Care Unit includes multidrug-resistant bacterial infections and coagulation disorders. NEW chapters on fluid therapy and transfusion therapy provide information on how to prevent complications and maximize resources. UPDATED coagulation section includes chapters on hypercoagulability, platelet function and testing, anticoagulant therapy, and hemostatic drugs.

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"The second edition of Small Animal Critical Care Medicine should be somewhere in everyone's clinic, whether a first-line practice or a specialized clinic. First-line practitioners will find that this book allows them to understand the needs of those inevitable emergencies. At the same time this book will also offer a better insight in the extra care that a more specialized centre could provide for, helping first-line practitioners to inform owners and refer their patients. And finally, for those working in larger emergency facilities, this manual offers one of the best available resources to provide optimal care for your most challenging cases."Reviewed by: Kris Gommeren on behalf of the European Journal of Companion Animal Practice, Oct 2015

I have only had the book a very short time, so I can not thoroughly review the entire text. However I can say that this book should not be looked at as a reference, per se, as it will not be useful ordinarily as a something to grab off the shelf in an emergency, critical care setting. In my opinion, It is better suited as a teaching textbook, reviewing and explaining the physiology and pathophysiology of many critical care situations as well as the rational for why/how to approach, treat and monitor each situation ...all in considerable depth. I can say from what I've already read that there is quite a bit of great, detailed information regarding fluid therapy, (why use one or the other, the different colloidal fluids options..why choose which colloid and when) blood gases, shock, SIRS, MODS ...these are the chapters I have read and they are excellent. There is a plethora of useful tables with drugs, drug doses, equipment, and there are many explanatory, colorful figures throughout.As I said I can not thoroughly review the entire book...the book is very big (more than 900 over-sized pages) and quite heavy, poundage-wise. It is printed on high-quality glossy paper...and I've only gotten through a couple of the chapters in several weeks. I think to get the

most from a book like this, it is best to read it thoroughly and carefully, one chapter at a time. It may take quite awhile but I think it'll be worth it. Personally, I don't like buying books then filing them decoratively on a shelf with the hope that some day I can find something I need in there...somewhere. I recommend that if you buy the book, you actually read it. I am not an emergency/ critical care veterinarian specialist, just a general practitioner, so this book is for me a highly educational in-depth window into this very fascinating, challenging and likely quite rewarding (hopefully most of the time) specialty.

Excellent book. Recommended for emergency medicine especially the sections on emergency procedures with pictures and explanations and sections on commonly seen endocrine and metabolic disasters.

Good book when it comes to studying. No a very good reference when you need something quick.

It was a new book but the corners of the cover were bent and a little worn

Excellent source of information even if you are not a vet. Ideal for pet owners who want to stay on top of what is happening to their companion animals.

Must have for any ER doctor

Excellent book for emergency.

Much larger and up to date with the recent literature. Great pictures and diagrams within the chapters. Some of the chapters were taken out from the last edition, so if you are using this to study for boards, you should keep the old one. The detail of most of the chapters is much better than the first edition so that most chapters read to nearly the depth of a state of the art review, however still remain very clinically applicable. This book is a must for any veterinarian that practices in emergency or specialty medicine.

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