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The Small Animal Veterinary Nerdbook

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**Synopsis**

This book will help veterinary students find vital information fast, when every second counts. The Small Animal Veterinary Nerdbook has become the profession’s gold standard for finding the information needed for everyday clinical practice when and where needed. In fact, more than 30,000 copies have been sold to veterinarians and veterinary students. This pocket-sized reference gives immediate access to accurate, practical information on 21 subjects, with handy headers, as well as sleek tables and charts. The Nerdbook places special emphasis on topics critical to the practice of routine clinical medicine, such as cardiology, toxicology, nutrition, critical care, infectious disease and dermatology. Charts, tables, diagrams, and outlines make skimming the information simple. It’s ideal for clinical use and for board-exam review. The book features: * Concise tables and charts to illustrate content * Simple diagrams provide an alternative to text information * Index of commonly used drug dosages * Extensive references if more in-depth information is needed New to the third edition: * The anesthesia section contains an illustrated instruction on nerve blocks and more on anesthetic monitoring. * The parasitology section summarizes the most updated CDC and CAPC recommendations and heartworm society recommendations. * The infectious disease section explains how to set up vaccine protocols. * A urinary section that follows the international Renal Interests Society staging system. * The GI section features a clinical diagnostic approach to diseases. Purchasing this resource gives access to additional information on the official Nerdbook website, including: * References and recommended readings * A neurologic exam check-off sheet * An illustrated overview of the nervous system * General protocols for behavior modification * Client handouts for prevention of common behavior problems * Videos illustrating behavior modification techniques In its third edition with loads of new and updated information, the Nerdbook is better organized, easier to understand and more clinically relevant than ever before.

**Book Information**

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This is an excellent pocket guide for final year students or interns in small animal hospitals. It covers not only internal medicine but orthopedics as well. Despite minor errors, it is still the best there is. It is used in veterinary teaching hospitals all over the U.S.

I bought this book as a veterinary student. I was told great things about Dr. Sophia Yin by many veterinarians. She is truly a remarkable person and a true loss to the veterinary community. This book is a great insight to veterinary medicine. When I need a quick reference this book is great. This book is not a comprehensive look at anything however. If you are trying to look up about a specific disease in great detail a text book is a much better reference. However, this book is great as it is very small. When you need a simple thing like forgetting how to calculate a fluid rate this book is there for you. Or if you forget what something may mean on a CBC its great. When you need to know the ins and outs of something this isn’t the best book. The first section goes over anesthesia in great detail and I did find this to be very helpful. It is one of the most detailed sections in the book. I wouldn’t have recommended referencing this book while having a pet under anesthesia but it is a great reference and study book. I also used this as a reference when I was a veterinary technician before I got into vet school. This was when it was most useful to me as I was still learning a lot of this and this really helped. So not only would I say doctorate students could use this book but vet techs/assistants as well.

I just finished my 1st year of vet school and ordered the book to have and look over during summer break and my mini-clinic rotations. I wish I would have purchased it earlier. We have a block/systems curriculum and this book pretty much lays out a perfect outline of each system. Granted, I just got the book and have just started to look over it but I feel like it’s going to be great to review for tests, practicals, and wet-labs and have on hand in 4th yr rotations.

I bought this book when I was a vet student (about 11 years ago) and still have and use the old mini-binder version. I have added in my own notes over the years and it has served me well as a
quick reference. I bought the new version recently but haven't used it much. I liked the old binder but some of the pages did rip, so I guess the bound version will be more durable. I like the updates that were made. I strongly recommend this book to all vet students! Thank you Dr. Yin.

I got my nerdbook in my penultimate year when clinical rotations and rounds were becoming more frequent and serious. I absolutely love my nerdbook and refer to it everyday in small animal practice. I find that it helps to reinforce information and concepts. I really like the logical way that it is written and set out and greatly prefer the nerdbook to "Tschauner’s Guide" (which I also have) or "Kim and Poli" (which I bought but couldn't read for the small font). I wholeheartedly recommend the nerdbook for veterinary students and I foresee that it will be an invaluable resource as a new graduate in 2012.

Still useful in practice. Sticks to the meat of the diagnosis, and has helpful treatment suggestions. Binding isn't the best, should have gone with the ring bound, but still a very decent book to have on hand.

I love my nerdbook; I'm not on clinics yet but I use it to work through mock cases and as a review tool. It contains the basics for working up common problems and is a concise resource for simple questions. I am troubled by the review by a pet owner, though. This is not at all designed as a first aid for pets book and is written for an audience with much more understanding of animal health and medicine than even an educated pet owner. It’s dangerous to think you know more than you do and can result in not seeking trained medical care when it is warranted. So, while it is great for vet students and interns it is not for pet owners. Sorry.

Great book, plan on using for fourth year clinical rotations. Bought it early to learn how to use it before clinics. It was recommended to me by other students. Looks to be well organized and concise enough to carry around. No problems with ordering and got it in a speedy manner!

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