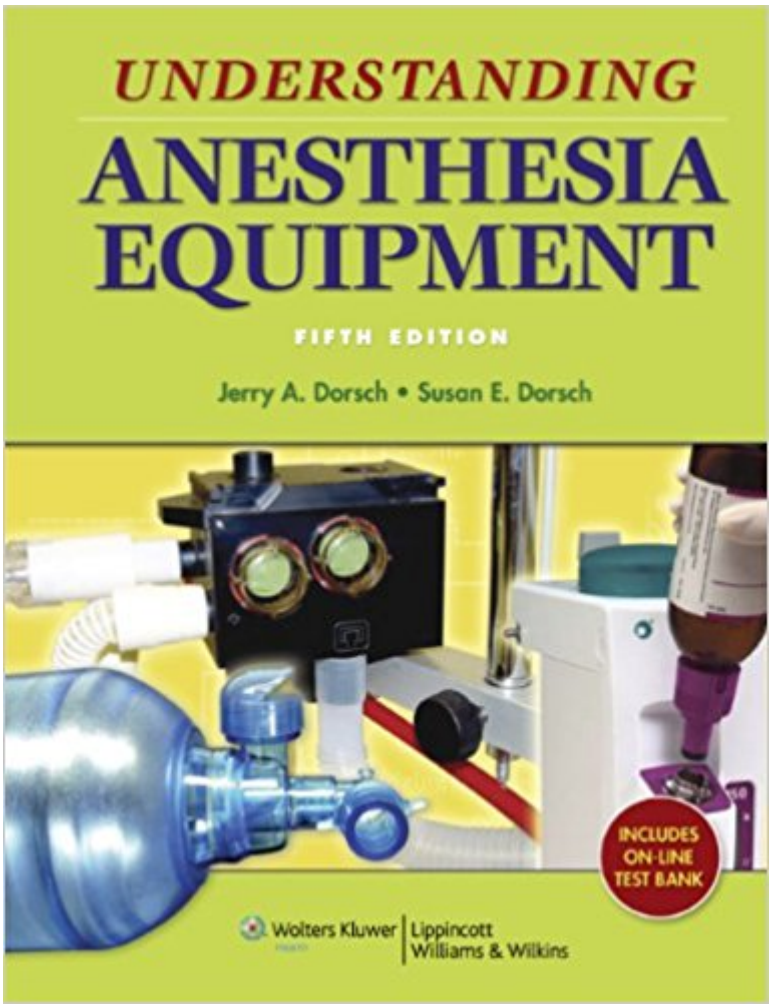
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Dorsch and Dorsch’s Understanding Anesthesia Equipment is simply the most thorough book on anesthesia equipment out there that I am aware of. You will find most of the general basics of anesthesia equipment inÃ Â Barash’s Clinical AnesthesiaÃ Â and even more summary books likeÃ Â Stoelting’s Basics of Anesthesia)Ã Â andÃ Â Morgan & Mikhail’s Clinical Anesthesiology. Nevertheless, those books tend to not give you the ins-and-outs of all of the various equipment out there. Dorsch & Dorsch provide very detailed information ad nauseum. However, the endless

black-and-white diagrams and black-and-white photos (though it appears very accurate) make the book very difficult to find the precise information that you are looking for. And the black-and-white diagrams tend to be much more difficult to understand than is necessary. For a book that has been through so many revisions and costs well upward of a hundred bucks, I would expect some color photos and some better constructed color diagrams.The book does seem thorough, but is simply so much more difficult to use than it needs to be. Using Dorsch & Dorsch as a base text, we are strongly in need of a full revision aimed at formatting, photo, and diagram revisions.The website included in the book offers a searchable text and a test bank. The search engine on the text is poor and very difficult to use. I find myself going to the chapter of interest and using a ctrl-f browser-based search of the page. The online quizzes are the exact same as is found at the end of each chapter. I have taken about half of the quizzes and have found errors in the online-based quiz bank in approximately half of those that I took. In need of some quality control. Nevertheless, I am appreciative of the online access to the text.

I am sad that this will be the last volume by authors I have relied on since I began in anesthesia in 1981. This is my third purchase of one of their works but I must say that I am dissappointed. Much of the charm of earlier editions (I own 1st and 4th) seems to be missing and there seems to be a reliance on manufacturer’s supplied illustrations. Explanations and diagrams seem to come directly from the manufactuer.That being said I would still recommend this book to students (both SRNAs and Resident physcians)as a required text. This book will alow you to be competent to trouble shoot a system while waiting for BME to arrive,or for you to feel confident to swap a machine in the middle of a case. It gives you a familiarization of much adjunct equipment before you use it the first time. It apprises you of possible hazards and deals with evnvironmental issues in anesthetizing locations.Not their best work, but have not seen anyone else consistently cover this topic over the span of their work. A replacement will be hard to find, and future practitioners will suffer with their retirement.

Perfect!

this is definitely the book to give you everything you need to understand anaesthesia equipmentits a "stay at home book" thobig and heavythe pages are not as easy to read since its all black and white and there’s alot of material to read plus the pictures are not as many as i would have likedbut still a very good bookglad i got it for my residencyalways on top of my info because of it

Great condition!!

Fundamental in anesthesiologist library to understand the equipment.

this is a great reference text for anesthesia AASAT's like myself.

This book is a good source if you want to understand how the anesthesia equipment developed. It contains information about equipment that a modern anesthetist will never use, but it is still well worth if you like history of anesthesia or would like to study how we got to what we have today. Good purchase.

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