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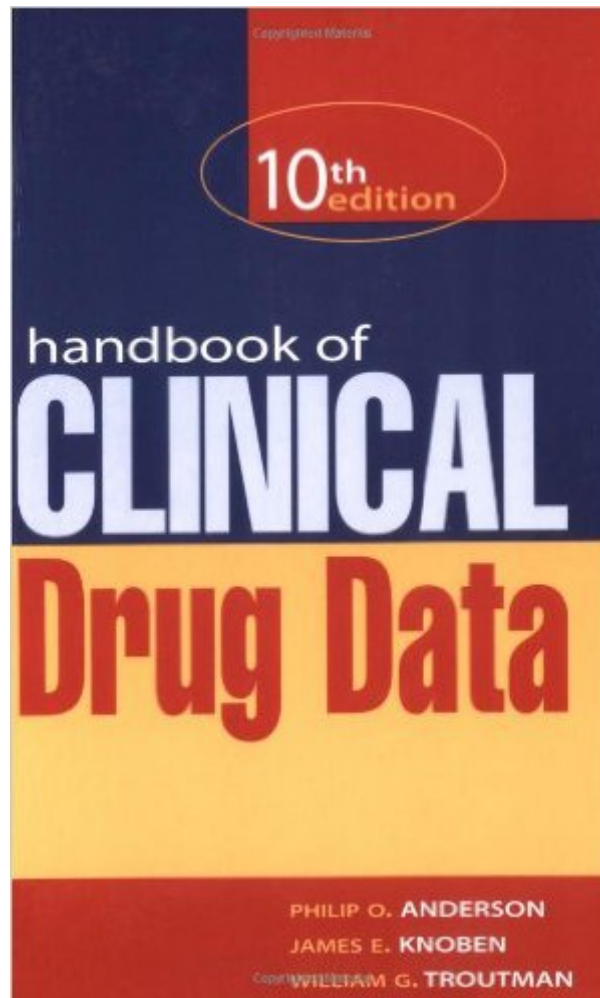
Synopsis

This handbook, which in its early lustrous years served physicians, pharmacists, and pharmacy students, is unlike any other drug reference book in that it allows readers to compare and contrast various drugs within drug categories, thereby enabling them to make decisions on which drug to administer. All other drug reference books merely repeat the drug manufacturers' literature, with no analysis of that information. Nor are there any reports from the published literature concerning use and efficacy of the drugs listed. The clinical drug information with part II contains chapters on drug-induced diseases, drug interactions and interferences, drug use in special populations, immunization, medical emergencies, and nutrition support. There are also appendices that contain useful conversion factors, anthropometrics, and laboratory indices. Unique Features: Comprehensive comparison charts of drugs by class for easy clinical decision making Tables that help rapidly identify the cause of adverse drug effects in your patients Guides to the optimal choice of drugs in special populations, such as pregnant and breastfeeding women, renal disease, and dialysis The only referenced drug handbook--includes over 3,600 literature citations Tabbing guide for easy location of drug categories Extensive cross-referenced index that includes Canadian and British drug names

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I started with this book back in approximately 1985 in pharmacy school now I own the 10th version,

can't wait for the 11th, it is a very handy quick reference. I highly recommend it for the student as well as the professional.

I can see that the last edition of this book received poor reviews (even if the sample size was miniscule). But I can say that this is the most helpful drug reference that a clinician can have, particularly if they are in a position where they are looked upon to offer expertise on how to manage drug therapy. The sections on Patient Instructions, Adverse Reactions and monitoring parameters are especially useful, as are the notes and drug class charts.What makes this such an incredible reference - particularly while participating on rounds - is how concise and informative it is, while putting each monograph into the context of what information is most helpful to your choice of agent and how to manage it. You are not only provided with information that is pertinent to the specific drug, but with information that contextualizes its proper use within each therapeutic category. Some bumpkin in the last edition's comments complained that patients are not prescribed classes of drugs, but individual drugs. That makes me curious as to how he decides to go with one medication over any other in that class. And I can only hope his criteria are as objective, concise and informative as this guide. That's a hard combination of demands to achieve, and yet Handbook of Clinical Drug Data pulls it off admirably, in my estimation.I'll wait until the newest edition comes out this April to purchase another copy for work. I hope it continues in the tradition of the previous two, and best of luck to the publisher. In a field that is as information-rich as it is constantly changing, Handbook of Clinical Drug Data definitely stands out and deserves recognition among the available guides and texts. There is no better pocket guidebook for a clinical pharmacist to use and I would advise any pharmacy student, both those whom I regularly precept and any others, to set aside their on-line or paperback editions of Lexi-Comp for at least a few months and pick up a copy of this.

A great book to have for a pharmacy residency. It is a wealth of great information and has a lot of tables that are useful. The book came perfect and I have no complaints

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