

2012 EM Reading List

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- The Massachusetts Medical Society has provided full access to most readings selected for LLSA from the *New England Journal of Medicine*.
- Wiley-Blackwell has provided Adobe Acrobat files to ABEM diplomates logged onto ABEM MOC Online for readings from *Academic Emergency Medicine* selected for LLSA. Some publishers provide direct access to their website, possibly charging a fee or requiring login information to view the article.
- Occasionally, as is the case for many book chapters, the publisher will not provide direct access or does not have Internet access to the article.

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Selections from Systemic Infectious Disorders and Obstetrics and Gynecologic Disorders

Content Area 10. Systemic Infectious Disorders

DeBacker D, Biston P, Devriendt J, et al. [Comparison of dopamine and norepinephrine in the treatment of shock](#). *N Engl J Med*. 2010;362(9):779-789.

del Portal DA, Shofer F, Mikkelsen ME, et al. Emergency department lactate is associated with mortality in older adults admitted with and without infections. *Acad Emerg Med*. 2010;17(3):260-268.

Landovitz RJ, Currier JS. [Postexposure prophylaxis for HIV infection \[clinical practice\]](#). *N Engl J Med*. 2009;361(18):1768-1775.

Luzuriaga K, Sullivan JL. Infectious mononucleosis. *N Engl J Med*. 2010;362(21):1993-2000.

Nazarian DJ, Eddy OL, Lukens TW, Weingart SD, Decker WW. [Clinical policy: critical issues in the management of adult patients presenting to the emergency department with community-acquired pneumonia](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2009;54(5):704-731.

Content Area 13. Obstetrics and Gynecology

Barnhart KT. Ectopic pregnancy [clinical practice]. *N Engl J Med*. 2009;361(4):379-387.

Selections from the Remainder of the Listing of Conditions and Components

The Model of the Clinical Practice of Emergency Medicine

Content Area 5. Endocrine, Metabolic, and Nutritional Disorders

Hohl CM, Kelly-Smith CH, Yeung TC, Sweet DD, Doyle-Waters MM, Schulzer M. [The effect of a bolus dose of etomidate on cortisol levels, mortality, and health services utilization: a systematic review](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2010;56(2):105-113.

Content Area 7. Head, Ear, Eye, Nose, and Throat Disorders

Hollands H, Johnson D, Brox AC, Almeida D, Simel DL, Sharma S. Acute-onset floaters and flashes: is this patient at risk for retinal detachment? *JAMA*. 2009;302(20):2243-2249.

Content Area 16. Thoracic-Respiratory Disorders

Lindenauer PK, Pekow PS, Lahti MC, Lee Y, Benjamin EM, Rothberg MB. Association of corticosteroid dose and route of administration with risk of treatment failure in acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. *JAMA*. 2010;303(23):2359-2367.

Content Area 19. Procedures and Skills Integral to the Practice of Emergency Medicine

Dargin J, Medzon R. [Emergency department management of the airway in obese adults](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2010;56(2):95-104.

Jabre P, Combes X, et al. Etomidate versus ketamine for rapid sequence intubation in acutely ill patients: a multicentre randomised controlled trial. *Lancet*. 2009;374:293-300.

Content Area 20. Other Components and Core Competencies of the Practice of Emergency Medicine

Viccellio A, Santora C, Singer AJ, Thode HC, Henry MC. [The association between transfer of emergency department boarders to inpatient hallways and mortality: a 4-year experience](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2009;54(4):487-491.