

2014 EM Reading List

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- 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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Male Genital Tract

Mellick LB. Torsion of the testicle. *Pediatr Emerg Care*. 2012;28(1):80-86.

Airway Techniques

Weingart SD, Levitan RM. [Preoxygenation and prevention of desaturation during emergency airway management](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2012;59(3):165-175.

Submersion Incidents

Szpilman D, Bierens J, Handley A, Orlowski J. [Drowning](#). *N Engl J Med*. 2012;366(22):2102-10.

Patient Safety and Medical Errors

Baumann BM, Chen EH, Mills AM, et al. [Patient perceptions of computed tomographic](#)

[imaging and their understanding of radiation risk and exposure](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2011;58(1):1-7.e2.

Forensic Examination

Linden JA. [Clinical practice. Care of the adult patient after sexual assault](#). *N Engl J Med*. 2011;365(9):834-41.

Head Trauma

Zafonte R. Diagnosis and management of sports-related concussion: a 15-year old athlete with a concussion. *JAMA*. 2011;306(1):79-86.

Hematemesis

Srygley FR, Gerardo CJ, Tran T, Fisher DA. Does this patient have a severe upper gastrointestinal bleed? *JAMA*. 2012;307(10):1072-79.

Interpersonal and Communications Skills

Flowerdew L, Brown R, Vincent C, Woloshynowych M. [Identifying nontechnical skills associated with safety in the emergency department: a scoping review of the literature](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2012;59(5):386-394.

Abdominal Trauma

Diercks DB, Mehrotra A, Nazarian DJ, Promes SB, Decker WW, Fesmire FM. [Clinical policy: critical issues in the evaluation of adult patients presenting to the emergency department with acute blunt abdominal trauma](#). *Ann Emerg Med*. 2011;57(4):387-404.

Neonatal Resuscitation

Kattwinkel J, Perlman JM, Aziz K, et al. [Neonatal resuscitation: 2010 American Heart Association guidelines for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency cardiovascular care](#). *Circulation*. 2010;122(18 Suppl 3):S909-19.

Stroke

Perry JJ, Stiell IG, Sivilotti M, et al. [Sensitivity of computed tomography performed within six hours of onset of headache for the diagnosis of subarachnoid hemorrhage: prospective cohort study](#). *BMJ*. 2011;343:d4277. doi: 10.1136/bmj.d4277.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

Stub D, Bernard S, Duffy SJ, Kaye DM. [Post cardiac arrest syndrome: a review of therapeutic strategies](#). *Circulation*. 2011;123(13):1428-35.