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I find this to be the best handbook of neurocritical care available currently. This book offers a
concise review of the literature available for the critically ill neurological patient as well as giving
detailed and practical treatment algorithms. This book would be helpful for all level from medical
student and nurses to critical care and emergency room physicians. The text is also easy to read
and well organized.

I have read this book from cover to cover. Overall a nice effort. I see a significant number of
neurocritical care patients on a daily basis.I think the primary audience is a neurosurgery resident
who is rotating in the ICU and not necessarily an intensivist. Some of the chapters in the book are
even written by the residents (unsure at what stage). One can notice that their inexperience. I do not
have the book in front of me but one example is: in the spinal trauma section the author mentioned it
is irreversible or something similar in the beginning. Anybody who know ASIA classification can say
this is not a categorical statement. They have however corrected them at the end of the
chapter.Poor editing as well. Somewhere in meningitis chapter they have alluded helicobactor as an
meningitis pathogen...Overall if you are an intensivist you might want to look for alternative sources.

This comment is from the perspective of an acute care nurse practitioner.Really a great book. I
found the information helpful, concise, to the point, and easy to read. The book provides a basic
overview and treatment modalities for common conditions encountered in neurocritical care.

Concise, comprehensive, made as an excellent review for the neurocritical UCNS boards. Problem
is it may not be up to date, but it's hard to stay up to date in today's rapidly evolving neurocritical
care field. Still, highly recommended.

Great text with good background of evidence based results! Quality information delivered in
well-thought and pertinent paragraph format. Very useful for anyone studying patient care in the
neurological sciences.

As the complexity of neuro critical care grows to date this is the only text book which covers all
current unique topics and therapies throughly and thoughtfully. If you care for any neurologic pts in
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I have read this book cover to cover twice. And I learned more from it the second time around. As a
junior neurosurgery resident I find this book extremely high yield and have recommended this to all
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good only upto differencial diagnosis, not explained to reach a diagnosis desicion making part need further explanation. may coming edition will fulfill it.

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