

## Appendix – Clerkship Reading Guidelines

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### **Cardiology**

Coronary Artery Disease  
Angina Pectoris  
Myocardial Infarction  
Hypertension  
Congestive Heart Failure  
Cor Pulmonale  
Left Heart Failure

Aortic Stenosis  
Mitral regurgitation  
Atrial Fibrillation  
Premature ventricular contractions  
Ventricular tachycardia  
Pulmonary embolus

Acute pericarditis  
Prinzmetal's angina  
Mitral stenosis  
Aortic regurgitation  
First degree AV block  
Second degree AV block  
Third degree AV block  
Bundle branch block  
Cardiomyopathy  
Multifocal atrial tachycardia  
Atrial flutter

Congenital heart disease  
Pericarditis  
Restrictive cardiac tamponade  
Wolf-Parkinson White  
Junctional rhythms  
Atrial septal defect

### **Endocrinology**

Diabetes Mellitus  
• hypoglycemia  
• ketoacidosis  
• hyperosmolar state  
• neuropathy  
• retinopathy  
Hypothyroidism  
Hyperthyroidism  
Hypercalcemia

Cushing's disease  
Addison's disease  
Corticosteroid drug therapy  
Syndrome of inappropriate ADH secretion  
Thyroid Nodules  
Hashimoto's Thyroiditis  
Osteoporosis

Multiple endocrine neoplasia syndromes  
Pheochromocytoma  
Galactorrhea  
Testicular failure  
Thyroid cancer

Primary hyperaldosteronism  
Acromegaly  
Diabetes insipidus  
Ectopic hormone production  
Conn's Syndrome  
Gastrinoma

### **Hematology**

Iron Deficiency Anemia  
Anemia of chronic disease  
Lymphomas  
DIC  
Thrombocytopenia  
Chronic Leukemia

Macrocytic anemia  
Transfusion  
Myelofibrosis/  
Myelodysplasia  
Deep venous thrombosis  
Gammopathy

Pancytopenia  
Hemoglobinopathies  
Von Willebrand's Disease  
Acute Leukemia

Leukopenia  
Aplastic anemia  
Hemophilia

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### ***Infectious Diseases***

Pneumonia/bronchitis  
UTI's  
AIDS  
Septic Shock

Endocarditis  
Meningitis  
Lyme disease  
URI/influenza  
Immunizations

TB  
Histo/Other fungal diseases  
Encephalitis  
Rheumatic fever  
Lung abscess  
Sinusitis  
Herpes Zoster/Simplex  
Vaginal Discharges  
(STD'S)

Rocky Mountain Fever  
Staph Syndrome  
(toxic shock)  
Osteomyelitis  
Septic arthritis  
Liver abscess  
Brain abscess

### ***Nephrology***

Acute Renal Failure  
Fluid/Electrolytes

Chronic Renal Failure  
Glomerulonephritis  
Acid Base balance  
Nephrotic Syndrome  
Renal Calculi

Drug Therapy in  
renal disease  
Renal carcinoma

Renal tubular acidoses  
Goodpasture's  
Polycystic kidneys  
Henoch-Schoenlein  
purpura

### ***Oncology***

Breast Cancer

Skin cancer/melanoma  
Principles of chemotherapy  
Pain management  
Prostate cancer

Paraneoplastic Syndromes  
Monoclonal Antibody Therapy

Chromosomes  
Flow Cytometry

### ***Pulmonary***

COPD/Asthma/  
Bronchiectasis  
Lung Cancer  
Acute Respiratory Failure  
Pulmonary Emboli/DVT  
Respiratory Tract  
Infections  
IgE mediated disease  
Sleep Apnea/Respiratory Control

Pleural effusion/  
pneumothorax  
Sarcoidosis  
Pneumoconiosis  
Restrictive Lung disease  
Influenza  
Diffuse pulmonary fibrosis  
Pulmonary Function Tests

Aspergillosis  
Tuberculosis  
Histoplasmosis  
Pneumothorax  
Cystic Fibrosis  
Hypersensitivity pneumonitis

Mesothelioma  
CO poisoning

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### **Rheumatology/Immunology**

Septic Arthritis	Giant Cell Vasculitis	Polymyositis	Neuropathic Arthritis
Rheumatoid Arthritis	Vasculitis (Wegener's, PAN, HSP, etc.)	Scleroderma	Relapsing Polychondritis
Osteoarthritis	Reactive Arthritis (Reiter's Syndrome)	Psoriatic Arthritis	Rheumatic Fever
Systemic Lupus Erythematosus	Regional Rheumatic Problems (LBP, Tendonitis, Bursitis)	Antiphospholipid Antibody Syndrome	Amyloidosis
Gout	Fibromyalgia	Lyme Disease	Hypermobility Syndrome
Ankylosing Spondylitis	Calcium Pyrophosphate Deposition Disease (CPPD)	Raynaud's Phenomenon	Osteonecrosis
Polymyalgia Rheumatica	Sjogren's Syndrome	Entrapment Neuropathies (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome)	Hypertrophic Pulmonary Osteoarthropathy

### **Gastroenterology**

Gastroesophageal reflux disease	Alcoholic hepatitis	Esophageal stricture	Achalasia
Peptic ulcer disease	Cirrhosis	Carcinoma of the stomach	Esophageal webs
Cholelithiasis	Complications of portal hypertension	Chronic hepatitis	Meckel's diverticulum
Viral hepatitis	Pancreatitis	Hemorrhoids	Mesenteric vascular insufficiency
Colon polyps/cancer	Inflammatory Bowel disease	Rectal fissure	Wilson's disease
Jaundice	Gastroenteritis – bacterial/parasitic	Ischemic colitis	Hemochromatosis
Gastrointestinal bleeding	Irritable Bowel Syndrome	AV malformations	Zollinger-Ellison Syndrome
	Diverticular disease	Malabsorption syndromes	Drug-induced liver disease
	Ascites	Hepatoma	
		Primary biliary cirrhosis	
		Pancreatic Carcinoma	
		AIDS-related gastrointestinal disease	

### **General**

Hyperlipidemia	Nutrition/obesity	Principles of clinical decision making	Fatigue
Alcohol/drug abuse	Geriatrics	Acute anxiety	
Preventive health care	Depression	Chronic anxiety	

### **Geriatrics**

Normal aging changes	Falls	Exercise	Fall prevention
Geriatric Syndromes	Incontinence	latrogenesis	Appropriate catheter usage
Delirium/Dementia	Restraints	Nursing Home regulations about restraints	Restraint alternatives
Aging simulation to promote awareness	Enhancing communication for vision and hearing losses	Changes in taste & smell	Advance directives in relation to dementia an enteral feeding
Adaptations to promote functioning		Improving nutrition	

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### ***Dermatology***

Cutaneous Tumors

- benign
- malignant

Cutaneous Infections

- viral
- bacterial

Contact dermatitis

Psoriasis

Acne

Cutaneous manifestations of

Systemic disease

Collagen vascular disease

Pemphigus vulgaris

Bullous pemphigoid