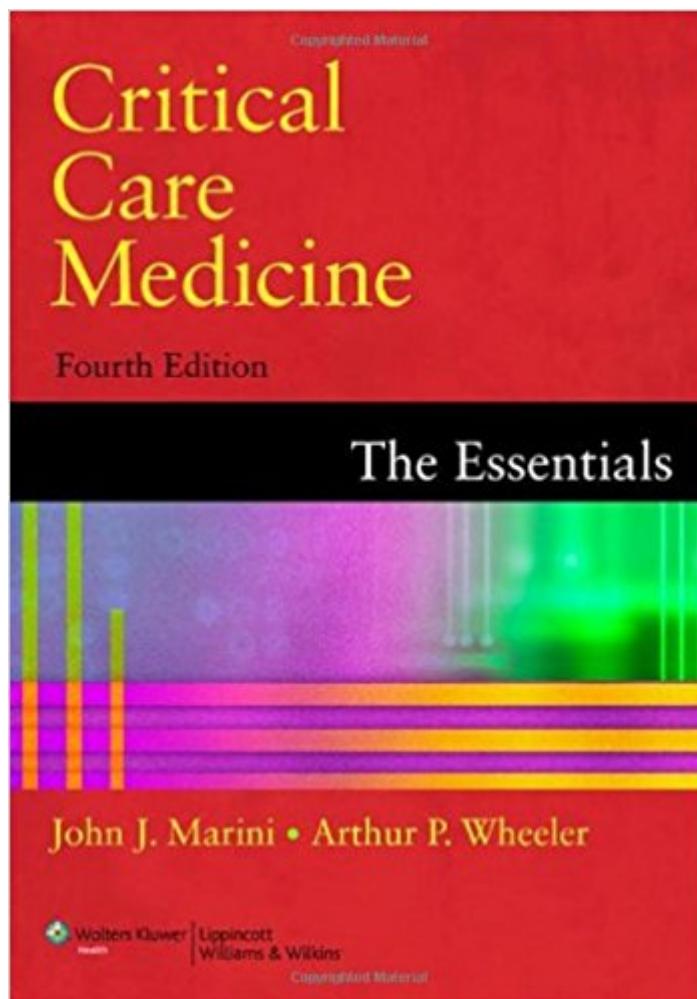


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# Critical Care Medicine: The Essentials



## **Synopsis**

Ideally suited for students in critical care rotations and residents, this concise, practical handbook presents the essentials of medical and surgical critical care in an easy-to-read format. The authors succinctly explain the pathophysiology underlying clinical disorders and the key principles of diagnosis and patient management, emphasizing cost-effective approaches. The Fourth Edition includes Controversies in Critical Care boxes in many chapters, which briefly summarize opposing arguments on controversial points. Other highlights include enhanced discussion of CT for abdominal disorders, new ACLS guidelines, and new material on removable IVC filters, interventional radiologic techniques for GI bleeding, and use of vascular ultrasound.

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satisfactorily. The discussions of airway and ventilation are excellent. The acid base and electrolytes chapters are well discussed and include common management errors to avoid. The chapters on nutrition and pharmacology are a welcome addition, sometimes overlooked in other references. The book does not include an illustrated section on invasive procedures, but this was not considered a limitation as most procedures are learned hands-on. Although there is no illustration on inserting a pulmonary artery catheter there are 47 pages on hemodynamic monitoring we considered more pertinent and expertly explained.

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i bought this book because of the good ratings it has got, and also because it is recommended in my curriculum. I am planning to go into critical care after my residency, hence i was planning to read this book top to bottom. But the writing style is so obscure that it is very difficult to comprehend. From the first page itself, you would have to scratch your head over and over again on each paragraph. I am a very voluminous reader, but i couldnt really handle the obscurity with which this book is written. Everything seems very complicated in this book. Everything is written like a novel, without breaking it into points and trying to make it more digestible. I think this might be a good review book for those already in critical care practice, but maybe not so much for the residents who are just starting out. I finally decided to switch to Marino. I think either Marino, or Washington Manual or ACP manual on critical care should be more digestible than this.

Very detailed, a bit dense; not a bad thing but I find the style of writing difficult to get through

Too wordy written in paragraphs. Apparently not a go to book while practicing

I little hard to read but full of good information.

I can highly recommend Marini/Wheeler to all Pulmonary/Critical Care Medicine fellows and all those practising Critical Care Medicine physicians who want to brush up their memories when something out of the ordinary occurs during rounds. It is easily transportable, not like some of those 20 pounds textbooks one finds in the libraries (and where they should remain!). I used Marini/Wheeler as a base for my Critical Care Medicine Boards in 1995 and subsequent recertification and only occasionally opened one of these huge textbooks for more detailed

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