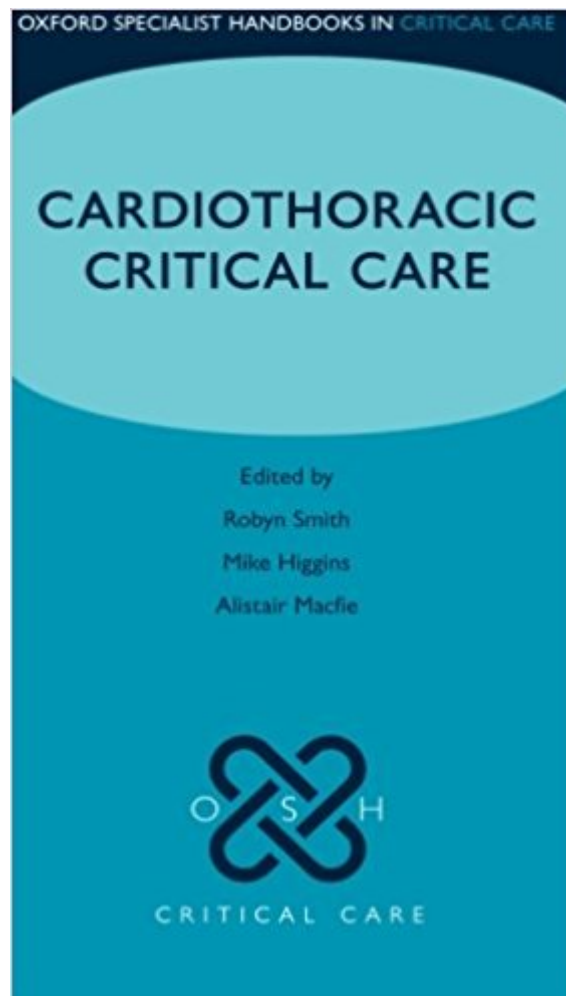




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# Cardiothoracic Critical Care (Oxford Specialist Handbooks In Critical Care)



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An indispensable pocket reference for critical care trainees, consultants and intensive care nurses, this new Oxford Specialist Handbook provides an evidence-based approach to all aspects of patient care in cardiothoracic intensive care. Written in the Oxford Handbook format, each section is comprised of short topics ideal for quick reference. Portable, accessible, and reliable, the book equips the clinician with the basic scientific and clinical knowledge to safely assist in formulating management plans, based on current best practice. Cardiothoracic Critical Care addresses major recent developments in cardiothoracic critical care, such as cardiovascular support, mechanical support (IABP, VADS, and ECMO), and drug therapies such as nitric oxide and other new inotropic agents. The management of postoperative bleeding is covered in detail, as it increasingly involves updated fluid and blood-product therapies including blood preservation techniques such as cell salvage.

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Overall, the editors and author have performed a herculean task of presenting this practical guide that is concise, succinct, easy to read, and informative. Although in the preface, it is mentioned that the book is primarily aimed at cardiothoracic intensive care residents, fellows, and nursing staff, I see no reason as to why it should not be in the pocket of an experienced anaesthetist as well for a quick reference... this should be available in all the cardiothoracic ICUs for a ready reference. \* British Journal of Anaesthesia \* All in all, the book is a quick reference guide that covers most important

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This is the best introductory book to Cardiothoracic Critical Care currently available on the market: I strongly recommend it to Critical Care Fellows and Residents working in CTICU for the first time. Easy to read, written in short chapters, and well referenced, it covers all the major topics you need to know in order to be able to function well in CTICU. My wishes for the next edition: broader coverage of mechanical circulatory support devices (with dedicated chapters to ECMO and VADs including common problems encountered and troubleshooting pearls) and a more detailed discussion of postoperative complications of specific cardiac and thoracic surgeries. All in all, an excellent book!

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