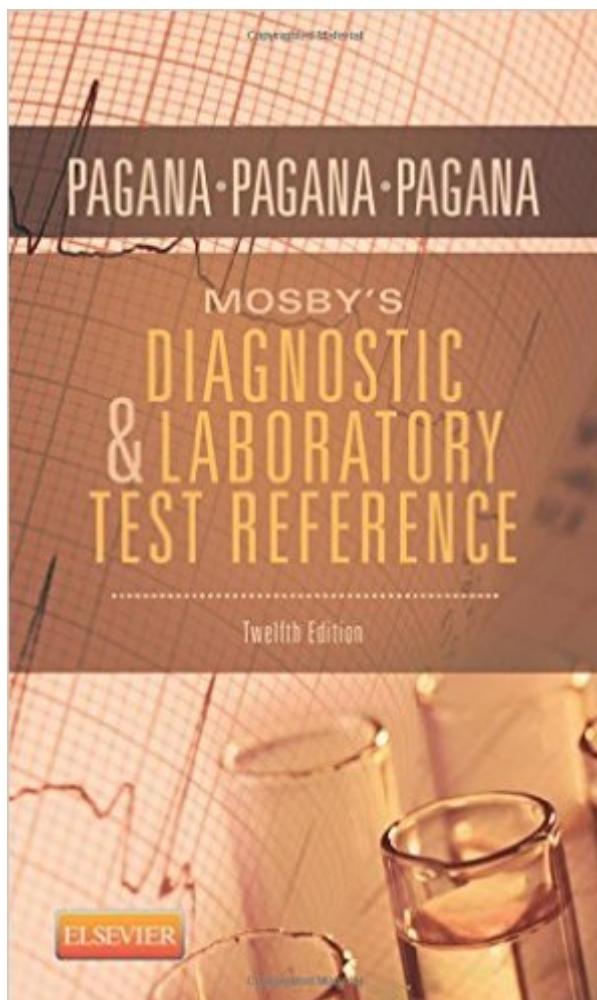


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Get fast access to important diagnostic tests and procedures with Mosby's Diagnostic & Laboratory Test Reference, 12th Edition by Kathleen Deska Pagana, Timothy J. Pagana, and Theresa N. Pagana. In this bestselling handbook, concise test entries are arranged alphabetically and reflect the latest in research and diagnostic testing. Each test entry includes vital information such as type of test, alternate or abbreviated test names, test explanation, normal and abnormal findings, possible critical values, contraindications, potential complications, interfering factors, and patient care. To simplify lookup, related tests are cross-referenced. A compact size, durable cover, and A-to-Z thumb tabs make this book ideal for quick reference on the job. Alphabetically organized tests offer quick reference with A-to-Z thumb tabs, so you'll never have to search for a test by having to first determine its correct category or body system. UNIQUE! Each test entry begins on a new page, making tests easy to find. User's Guide to Test Preparation and Performance provides an overview and guidelines for each type of laboratory test and diagnostic procedure, so you can minimize worry about having to repeat a test due to an error. Normal findings for adult (male and female), elderly, and pediatric patients are included where applicable. Increased and decreased abnormal findings are highlighted with directional arrows. Possible critical values are highlighted to alert you to situations requiring immediate intervention. Patient care sections provide step-by-step instructions for care before, during, and after the test. Symbol next to drug-related interfering factors alerts you to the effects of pharmacologic agents on tests. Lists of tests by body system and test type make it easy to cross-reference related studies. Abbreviations for tests are listed in the front and the back of the book, and symbols and units of measurement are listed in an appendix. A durable cover with round edges helps prevent the book from being damaged and makes it easier to handle.

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I have been a nurse for many years. I have never purchased this book during all the years of my nursing nor purchased it while in nursing school (the oooollllddddeerr version of course, lol). This book tells it all. I wished I had purchased this long ago. The tests go into great detail of what, how, why test are done. At this time I also have renal calculi. I am looking for new information on IVP's. I have had IVP's before, but I wanted to know if there were any new changes about the test. It explains in the book the reason's why an IVP is done, what is done during the procedure, how the patient may feel during the procedure, the side effects of the IVP such as having a reaction to the dye. Also explains what the patient needs to do prior to taking the IVP (24 hr prep). Tells you how long the time span from start to finish of the IVP. This book covers everything about labs, radiology, etc. I just downloaded this on my Kindle, so I plan to do more reviewing when I look into it more. I looked over some of the labs tests and it goes into great detail of the tests. They even cover what color test tubes to use, if anyone is a new learner. I wished I had this a long time ago, working in ICU as we nurses draw labs on the patients and not the laboratory. It will give me more detailed information on laboratory testing and any new changes. We have a lab book in ICU, but I swear it is not as good as this one. The book also makes it so easy to locate the information you need in a hurry. I just wanted to get some type of review on here for people who are interested in purchasing the book. So far I am very impressed and anyone wanting to purchase the book then I highly suggest you do. You can't go wrong with this book.

Excellent lab value book, if you are doing care plans and have a specific disease and do not know how the lab value are affecting the person or the disease every lab value in this book has an explanation as to why it's affecting the person or disease. I love this book.

The book has been very helpful in my physician assistant program. The references are great. The book came in a timely manner and was consistent with the seller's description. I think it's a great reference to be able to keep on you while working in clinic, as it can fit in your pocket.

This book is very informative and so simple to use. It explains each lab in paragraph form then gives a chart of examples as to why it could be high or low.

Interesting book. I'm studying clinical lab science and found this book to be useful. It has almost every condition/test you would want information on. Personally what I like is it not only tells you what tests should be run for diagnostics of the condition but also descriptions of the diseases, what they effect, and suggested treatments.

Too simplistic and/or does not address the potential diversity of testing prerequisites very well. These type of books do not work often just lead to confusion in what sample type needs to be submitted. Check with your local facility subject matter experts before relying on such a book.

This book had wonderful content, and was very helpful. The reason I'm not giving it 5 stars is, because it is very hard to navigate through. I bought the kindle edition and had to slide pages to get to where I needed to be. Which made it very time consuming to use. The paperback version would probably be a better option for this book.

I used this book all through nursing school. When I became a nurse this book went with me. I let a doctor borrow it, and I never got it back. I looked on amazon hoping I could find my "ol' trusty" ... turns out, this book is still very popular! We have reference books on my unit but this one is SO much easier with a nice clean layout. It has a quick guide for abbreviations for diagnostic and lab tests. PT side notes (what patient teaching you may need to provide) If its a diagnostic test like a ductoscopy, it tells you how this is performed. Type of test: endoscopy. A quick explanation of the test and related physiology. Short, sweet, to the point.

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