Specialty Tertiary Drug Information Resources

Key to emphasized points:

Underlined, non-italicized, red font = distinctive characteristics that will probably be covered on exams and quizzes

*Underlined, italicized, black font = format information and other information that may also be covered on exams*.

None of the resources listed below is limited to FDA-approved uses. In other words, all may include off-label uses.

| Resource Title Print/Online | Type of question(s) most often answered by this text | Organization of text/Availability of Index | Advantages | Limitations |
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| Drugs in Pregnancy and Lactation (Briggs')*online**available via UpToDate LexiDrug**and* *Print version available in the Library*QV 4 854d  | -Recommendations regarding use of medications in pregnant or lactating women | -Organized alphabetically by generic name-Index also provided | -Well referenced, well researched-Provides recommendation for use in both pregnancy and breastfeeding-Provides American Academy of Pediatrics recommendation when available-Provides animal data in cases where data in humans is lacking | -Although the latest edition contains over 1180 monographs, not all drugs available in the U.S. are included-Little information available regarding herbal products or nutritional supplements |
| Geriatric LexiDrugs *Online only* *available via UpToDate LexiDrug* | - Same type of information as Drug Information Handbook but with a geriatric focus |  | -Useful appendices-Monographs fairly succinct |  |
| IV compatibility reports in Clinical Pharmacology and in UpToDate =ASHP® Injectable Drug Information : a comprehensive guide to compatibility and stability (print)=Trissel’s (print)*available online as the basis for the IV compatibility reports in Clinical Pharmacology and in UpToDate LexiDrug**and* *Print available in the Library* QV 786 T837h  | -Compatibility of IV and injectable medications | -Alphabetically by generic name-Index also provided in the printed version | -Information provided in tables and charts-Well referenced-Updated regularly | -Must understand how to appropriately interpret charts - especially in printed version.--Online custom compatibility reports in CP and UpToDate LexiDrug are based on the same data and are much easier to read than the print version of Trissel’s |
| Johns Hopkins ABX Guide(abx is an abbreviation for antibiotics)*Online only* on-campus only, may work on your tablet computers an image shows the “John Hopkins ABX Guide” button that must be clicked  after going to the resource’s homepage. | -Recommendations for best choice of therapy for different infections-Dosing for different ages and clinical conditions (kidney or liver failure) |  | Easy to use | not available off-campus |
| Natural Medicine Comprehensive Database*Online only*Nebr. Med. (hospital) has a license to online form. | -Summary of information available for various dietary supplements and herbal agents, alternative therapies-Common supplement/herbal names-Common uses-Dosage/administration-Safety-Effectiveness-Likely mechanism of action-Adverse reactions-Interactions of herbals/supplements/etc. with drugs-Commercially available products, including those that are USP verified |  | -Extensive editorial and review panel-Well researched, well referenced-Updated regularly |  |
| NEOFAX*Online only*Nebraska Medicine has a license  | -Information specific to neonatal patients including premature neonatesGOLD STANDARD REFERENCE for NEWBORNS, especially PREMATURE babies-Dosing-Administration-Monitoring-Adverse effects/precautions-Special considerations for neonates-IV compatibility | -Organized by major pharmacologic category- | -Helpful appendices (recommended concentrations for administration, conversion tables)-Information about infant formulas included |  |
| Pediatric & Neonatal LexiDrugs (online)= Pediatric & Neonatal Dosage Handbook (print)*Online**and* *Print version* available in the LibraryQV 735 P371g  | -Same types of info as Drug Information Handbook , but with pediatric & neonatal focusNot as good for premature neonates as NEOFAX | -Organized alphabetically by generic name-Index also provided, organized by pharmacologic category | -Some extemporaneous compounding formulas for non-commercially available formulations provided-Useful appendices-Portable, inexpensive-Monographs fairly succinct | -in-text citations only included in the online version |

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