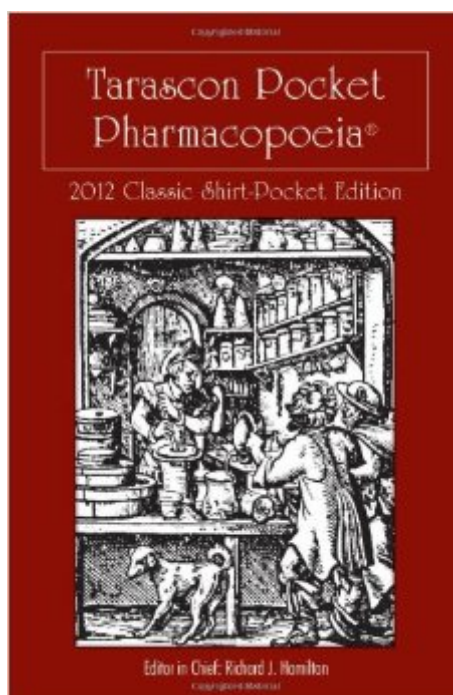


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Used by prescribers around the world, including physicians, pharmacists, nurses, physician assistants, dentists and medical transcriptionists, the Tarascon Pocket Pharmacopoeia,® 2012 Classic Shirt-Pocket Edition continues its tradition as the leading portable drug reference packed with vital drug information to help clinicians make better decisions at the point of care. The Tarascon Pocket Pharmacopoeia,® 2012 Classic Shirt-Pocket Edition, now updated with over 130 new drugs, details typical drug dosing (all FDA approved), available trade and generic formulations, metabolism, safety in pregnancy and lactation, relative drug pricing information, Canadian trade names, and an herbal & alternative therapies section. Multiple tables supplement the drug content, including opioid equivalency, emergency drug infusions, cardiac dysrhythmia protocols, pediatric drug dosing, and much more. Each edition is meticulously peer-reviewed by experts and is now available in multiple print, mobile and online formats.

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As I was using this, I have run across 2 drugs that when I look them up in the index, It is categorized as "D" indicating it is not in the shirt pocket edition. So, I did a comparison of the first page of the index, and in 2011, there is 16 "D"s on the first page, and 1 PDA. 2012 first page which also ends in the entry aldesluekin, same as 2011, has 29 "D"s and 16 PDA designations. Yet, I have 2 pages of labeling of microbes, and 6 pages of herbal remedies, which vary dramatically by region as to what

is in fashion. Where I am not against information of this nature, a drug book is not the right location. I have used these books for many years, and liked them, the organization, succinctness, the printing, even. There are many shirt pocket books by tarascon which detail various procedures, treatments, etc. Don't dilute what the pocket pharmacopoeia is, a book about working pharmaceuticals.

I don't always buy this book every year--but I should and it remains one of the 'must haves' for my office and coat pocket. In a very concise fashion it gives the names/dosages/routes/relative expenses/pregnancy categories for the vast majority of medications one can use in a year. To borrow some of what I wrote on last year's edition--I find this book extremely useful when I'm looking for something 'outside my normal body parts'. The medications are listed by relevant system and type, then subdivided by class (i.e. for skin, for gyn, antibiotic (penicillin, cephalosporin etc) so if one is trying to jog your memory on something you can narrow it down quickly. Flipping pages rapidly can still work wonders in figuring things out--particularly when a patient isn't exactly sure of the name and there isn't a record to be found. Of course I have my favorite electronic resources, many with much more details, but this little book has been--and remains--a useful tool. I'm in a job where I lose computer access/phone access and I still need to be able to access the important things. This book is on the keeper list for paper resources. Highly Recommended! JTG edited to add: if you are interested in the same thing, but with just a few pages more of content, compare to this version of the 2012 Tarascon: Tarascon Pocket Pharmacopoeia 2012 Classic Army Edition (Tarascon Pocket Pharmacopoeia: Classic Shirt-Pocket Edition).

Where have the good old days gone? The Tarascon Pharmacopoeia used to be a pleasure and delight to browse. Apparently, the purchase of the book by a new publisher several years ago led to several changes (for the worse). First, they changed the font to a clunky 60s Courier-style monstrosity. It was better before. Second, they shifted a large number of the Drugs off the pocket edition onto the digital or lab-coat edition. Thus, even such bread and butter drugs as promethazine, sertraline, and triamterene are not available. Last and perhaps most painful is the removal of the immortal "Liver and Onions" joke in the Excretion section at the beginning of the book. A good value used, the price of a new book is increasingly unreasonable.

When technology fails, Tarascon Pharmacopeia is still there. Essential to primary care and hospitalist practice. Allows quick easy reference of virtually any medication. Knowing the significance is up to you.

I use the Tarascon for my back pocket. It does not weigh my scrubs down and has basic info for "what does it do and the dosages." ScutMonkey is better but it weighs too much for the back pocket. No big changes from previous versions. About the same, very basic drug info. Lots of tables. ACLS algorithm and emergency drugs listed in the back. Info for both adults and peds. Good for looking up generic/brand names. I rarely encounter a drug not listed in the book. If you are expecting extensive info about each drug, seek another source. This is basic info for 'on the go'.

I am an OMSIII and always have this in my pocket. In the digital age, everyone has a gadget to look up meds but this book is super useful in hospitals where the reception is not always great. Some preceptors also don't like students on their phones because to them, it automatically means the student is goofing off, so having a physical book in hand shows them you're participating.

Personally I find it faster to look rx dosing up in Tarascon than on an iPhone. The amount of available info is less, and it's frustrating how often I get directed to appendices that are published separately (ie, rarely but it does come up), but I wouldn't work in hospital without one of these in my pocket.

I am a medical transcriber and cannot afford the books just for spellings of all the new drugs. These little books are perfect and an inexpensive way to help in looking up new drug spellings. Sometimes the Internet is just not fast enuf.

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