2020 ACVS Phase II Examination Reading List

The following references and books are suggested reading in addition to the current Phase I reading list, for preparation for the 2020 Phase II examination. Other textbooks and current references may be pertinent. Knowledge of basic and applied anatomy is assumed.

Selected References for Small Animal Surgery


Selected References for Large Animal Surgery

3. Guyton AC, Hall JE. Textbook of Medical Physiology, W.B. Saunders Co., (13th Ed), 2016. Chapters 6, 7, 8, 9 (pages 113-116); Chapters 11, 13, 14, 16, 17 (pages 212-213); Chapter 19 (pages 234-236); Chapters 25, 26, 27, 28 (pages 362-365); Chapters 31, 34, 35, 37, 80.
Many journals contain articles pertaining to surgery (both human and veterinary) and should be perused for current literature. A partial list of veterinary journals includes:

**Journals for Small Animal Surgery Candidates**
- *Journal of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care*
- *Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association*
- *Journal of Small Animal Practice*
- *Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine*
- *Veterinary Comparative Orthopaedics and Traumatology*
- *Veterinary Radiology & Ultrasound*
- *Veterinary Surgery*

**Journals for Large Animal Surgery Candidates**
- *Equine Veterinary Journal & Supplements*
- *Equine Veterinary Education*
- *Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association*
- *Veterinary and Comparative Orthopaedics and Traumatology*
- *Veterinary Radiology & Ultrasound*
- *Veterinary Surgery*

**The majority of questions come from literature published in the last five years.** For example, if you are taking the 2020 examination, questions will primarily come from literature published in the range of 11/01/2014–10/31/2019. Questions may also come from older articles considered significant and essential to the knowledge of the veterinary surgeon.