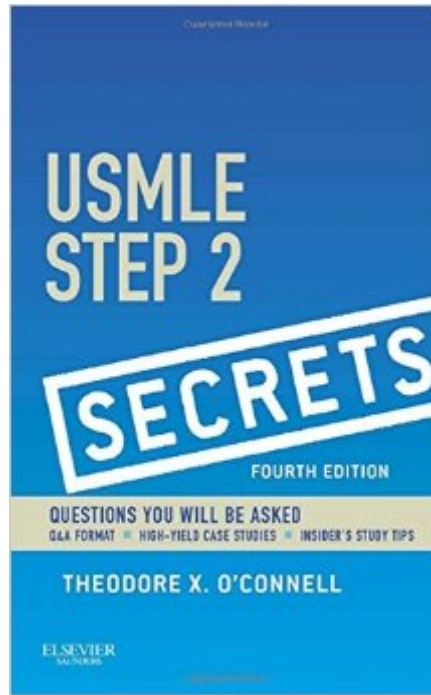


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# USMLE Step 2 Secrets, 4e



## Synopsis

USMLE Step 2 Secrets is an easy-to-read review perfect for busy students like you. Theodore X. O'Connell, MD • author of several review and clinical reference books • has thoroughly revised this popular text, which presents essential questions and answers covering the important concepts you need to know to score well on the USMLE Step 2 exam: key conditions you will be expected to recognize, all specialty and subspecialty topics, and necessary clinical concepts. Learn the most important questions and answers with the proven format of the highly acclaimed Secrets Series®. Master all specialty and subspecialty topics covered on Step 2. Identify key facts in the "Top 100 Secrets." Consult the book wherever you go thanks to a portable size that fits in your lab coat pocket. Review material quickly and easily thanks to bulleted lists, algorithms, illustrations, and a new 4-color section featuring key pathologic and clinical images. Apply tips, memory aids, and "secrets" gathered by Theodore X. O'Connell, MD, and used trusted by students to pass the boards. Find information quickly with a second color highlighting chapter and section titles, legends, bullets and icons, and key terms.

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As I study for Step 2 now, this book is a god send. It's concise, clear, well written and accurate. I've been writing down the UWorld things I get wrong (or forget and fluke right) and they're almost all in here! I'm a big fan of this book for the following reasons. 1. Size: This book is perfectly sized for the

white coat. I was on surgery for the 8 weeks before my Step 2 came around and I had this book with me each day and could burn through a chapter in 10-15 minutes as I bird dogged a patient. Also, almost every resident I met said this was a good book for Step 2 review at the last minute- though I used it earlier.

2. Content: There is no superfluous content here. The book will say- unlikely to be tested on this and keep answers short but will have answers for completeness' sake. The images are clear and good- though color would help sometimes, and they bold selectively and infrequently enough that it stands out. It is not- to be clear, a book that will explain all the concepts to you for Step 2- if you're looking for that I suggest Step Up to Medicine and Step Up to Step 2. This book will remind you of them, remind you of classic examples and vignettes, teach you next best steps and absolute contraindications- the messy little facts we all tend to forget.

3. Speed of reading: For an average reader it's entirely easy to burn through this book in 1.5-2 days. What else can you say about it? Not a bad book to carry around in your pocket for all of 3rd year folks. Or at least some of it! That's all she wrote folks.

Everyone studies differently. I learn best from doing practice questions so was on the lookout for a good supplement to UWorld. Tried reading Master the Boards - which is a great book - but was not working for me; it was too passive. Secrets introduces topics by asking questions, which made it engaging. I took a lot of notes on UWorld questions and annotated Secrets accordingly and felt well-prepared for CK.P.S. If you are reading this early in the MS3 year: there is no substitute for preparing thoroughly for each shelf!!

There are no current reviews of the latest edition. Why would allow this title to carry a 4.5 rating on the strength of comments from last decade?

Some things are wrong (like Pap guidelines) but overall this is a great day-before-Step2CK review book to remind yourself of lots of high yield topics at once. This isn't a stand alone resource but it will go great with UWorld.

Must have for Step2. I got several questions right on my exam because of this book

Haven't even read through it yet and I already love it. It's the perfect size for my white coat pocket. I really wanted a little book that I could carry around while I'm on my clinical rotations preparing for Step 2 CK, and this book is absolutely perfect. Easy to read and full of information. Perfect read for

any downtime during my day (especially at the hospital/clinic when I don't want to be seen on my phone). Very happy with this purchase!

Two months for step 1, two weeks for step 2, number two pencil for step 3. This book is a really great review of all the major points. It hits all the high-yield topics and gives you just enough information to remind you of the things that matter. I highly recommend this book!

As step 2 is approaching, the more I realize how amazing this little book is. You can read it during downtime during rotations and a few pages before bed. You'll see a lot of information here show up in questions.

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