Interactive Electrocardiography: CD-ROM With Workbook
Synopsis

This updated CD-ROM/workbook package provides a thorough, interactive tutorial on electrocardiogram interpretation and a comprehensive, easily navigable reference library of common and uncommon electrocardiograms. The CD-ROM, updated to the Flash platform, contains 630 ECGs grouped into three levels of complexity: beginning, intermediate, and advanced. Each tracing is labeled with color-coded annotation arrows and accompanied by a clinical history, interpretation, and list of diagnostic keywords. The keywords can be used for quick searches when retrieving examples of specific electrocardiogram findings and diagnoses. At the end of each level are 10 non-disclosed tracings with multiple-choice questions. The workbook contains reproductions of each electrocardiogram on the CD-ROM. The user will examine the workbook, then code the answer into the CD-ROM and receive immediate feedback.

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Customer Reviews

Came intact and had no problems.

This is listed as an Interactive CD-Rom with workbook and I received NO CD! Should be listed as WORKBOOK!

I purchased this book on site at the Cleveland Clinic cardiology board review in 2012 after hearing several of Dr. Rimmerman’s EKG lectures. This product includes a book with about 625 EKG
tracings, as well as a CD with an interactive program with explanations of each EKG. The book itself is only the EKGs, along with a short clinical vignette for each, so it’s a great resource if you want to read EKGs (but it has nothing else, that’s all on the CD). The vast majority of the EKGs are abnormal, and some of them are really quite interesting. The CD contains a Macromedia program which plays equally well on PC or Mac. It includes the EKGs (so you don’t necessarily need the book to get your learn on, although using book and calipers is infinitely more pleasurable than reading EKGs on a computer screen), as well as a multiple choice question about each EKG and a full description of each EKG in paragraph form, with pertinent diagnoses in hypertext. If you click on the diagnosis word (or phrase), it will link you to a description/definition of the abnormality. It may also cause an arrow or other marker to show up on the EKG tracing for clarity. These were welcome features of the software. Less useful was the ability to "code" each EKG, and then score it. Unfortunately, the coding method was just too cumbersome for me to use more than once or twice; as above, I had more fun using the book, and putting my interpretations on post-it notes (the time-honored learner’s method of EKG reading). For the most part, I thought that the EKG interpretations were quite accurate. I also liked the way there seemed to be repetition about key concepts throughout, which helped reinforce them. Going through this book reminded me a little bit of reading EKGs as a med student and an intern with a master cardiologist, who would explain each tracing thoroughly after I had my chance to read it, often commenting on subtleties. One such example in this book is the explanation of how left ventricular volume overload has a different EKG pattern than LV pressure overload. There are others which will leave you feeling similarly satisfied. I used this book as my primary source of practice and review for the ABIM board exam in Cardiovascular Diseases (colloquially known as “cardiology boards”), and was not disappointed in the results. This book was an excellent resource for review after reading thousands of EKGs during a three year cards fellowship, but I also learned some new stuff and had a lot of fun doing it (hey, what could be more fun than reading a bunch of really interesting EKGs?). In summary, I think this is the best EKG book I’ve seen for clinical EKG interpretation. It is truly a standout of excellence in a sea of mediocrity. Although it does not include much in the way of EKG basics (physiology etc), I think someone with a modicum of knowledge in EKG fundamentals could really go a long way with this book. I’m waiting for a med student out there to pick up this book and work their way through it in its entirety... they would truly be a force to be reckoned with!

The CD that comes with this book is absolutely amazing. It's almost as if there is a Doctor sitting behind you guiding you through the material. The explanations are wonderful (whether you got a
question/EKG strip right or wrong - there will be an explanation to help guide you). The search/filter function is also very useful. Worth every single last penny. :)  

The book titled "Interactive Electrocardiography" and the accompanying "CD-ROM", both prepared by Dr. Curtis M. Rimmerman and Dr. Anil K.Jain, is one of the best publications in this field. It is obvious that serious efforts have been made to draft this book and the CD-ROM. The experience of the authors is evidently reflected in the ECG comments. The book is truly and educating one and easy to use. When I finished reviewing the contents of the CD-ROM, I realized that I have become much more knowledgeable and experienced in association with ECG. This book and the CD-ROM is an invaluable source for all the researchers including those seeking very basic information on ECG as well as those investigating the most advanced features and characteristics of the ECG and practices. I would like to congratulate the authors for their hard and precious work and use this opportunity to express that I would like to see new editions of this book in the future. I sincerely and strongly recommend this book and the CD-ROM to anyone interested in ECG.  

I have only started doing practice ECGs and I really like this, explanations are brief and clear. I like the way changes are emphasized with arrows.  

More than 600 examples... just great for practicing! But you've got to have some knowledge before practicing...  

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