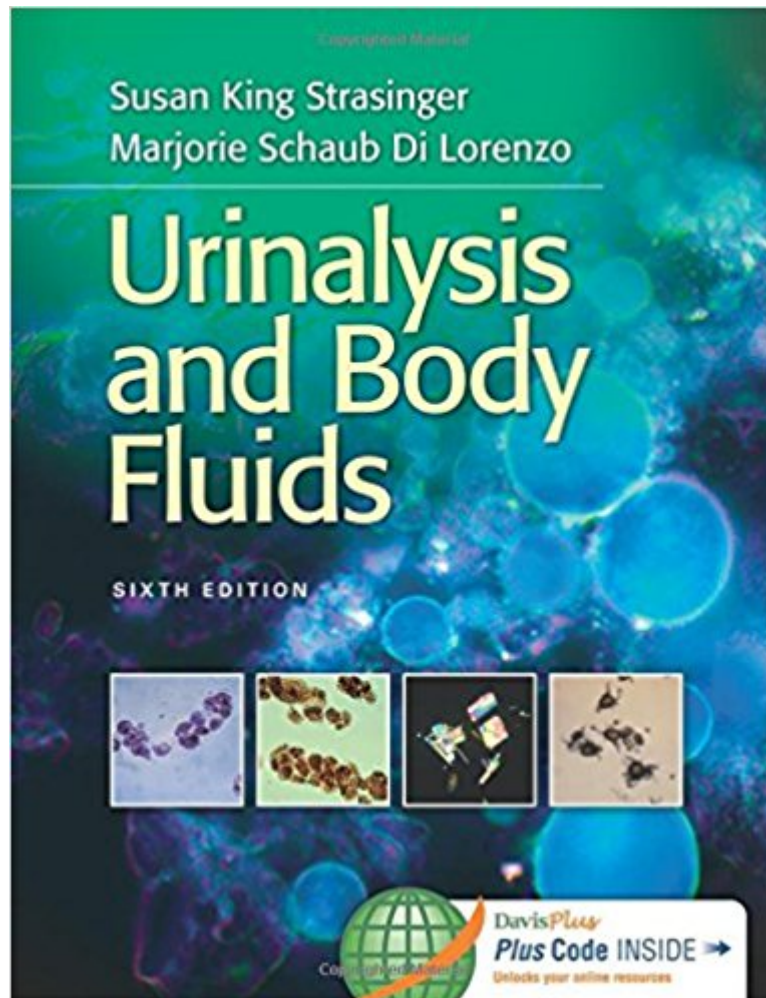


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# Urinalysis And Body Fluids



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Here's a concise, comprehensive, and carefully structured introduction to the analysis of non-blood body fluids. Through six editions, the authors, noted educators and clinicians, have taught generations of students the theoretical and practical knowledge every clinical laboratory scientist needs to handle and analyze non-blood body fluids, and to keep themselves and their laboratories safe from infectious agents. Their practical, focused, and reader friendly approach first presents the foundational concepts of renal function and urinalysis. Then, step by step, they focus on the examination of urine, cerebrospinal fluid, semen, synovial fluid, serous fluid, amniotic fluid, feces, and vaginal secretions. The 6th Edition has been completely updated to include all of the new information and new testing procedures that are important in this rapidly changing field. Case studies, clinical situations, learning objectives, key terms, summary boxes, and study questions show how work in the classroom translates to work in the lab. Redeem the Plus Code inside new, printed texts to access your DavisPlus student resources, including Davis Digital, your complete text online.

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## Customer Reviews

I usually love the FA Davis books. Their books are well written, informative, and very helpful test questions at the back of the chapters. However, this one has far too many mistakes in the review questions. The questions were great: they made sure you had a good concept of the information in the preceding chapter: however, the answers given are often completely wrong. It started out

confusing me (by trusting the answers given by the author and publisher, I thought I just didn't understand the material), then it became frustrating, and then it got to the point that I just didn't trust any answers at all. In addition, the extra online activities provided by FA Davis (DavisPlus) also had incorrect answers to their quiz shows, drag and drops, study questions, and case studies.

This book has a ton of good information in it- but it is not written in a way that's easily to understand. There are many terms highlighted in the book that are not defined in that paragraph- forcing you to reference the glossary for an explanation. Many paragraphs have long run on sentences and have so many undefined words crammed into one line that it took much longer than it should have to learn the material. I found many times doing the chapter review questions that the questions were worded in a way that made it hard to determine the correct answer- different wording in the paragraph made it more tricky and harder to learn. My MLT program at a community college used this book for the first time this semester and based on the suggestion of my entire class- it will be the last.

If your teacher for MLT classes assigns this book for you to buy, tell them not to! Most of the information in the book is correct BUT there are at least 2-3 questions in the review for each chapter that are wrong! On one question the possible answers were a, b, c, or d. In the back of the book the answer to that question was "negative". And others are just completely wrong! Now that my class has discovered this, we barely even use this book because you can't trust it. I wasted money to buy a book that wants to teach me incorrectly....

This book seems like someone just slapped some facts together to get a book and did not give much thought to the user. There were several pictures that were labeled incorrectly (one picture was used twice with different descriptions underneath which forces the user to look up what which one is accurate; another picture had a granular cast labeled as a squamous epithelial cell) and there were not enough pictures of the different components in urine. This may not seem like a big deal, but when you have to look up everything just to make sure your book is in fact accurate, what is the point of having the book? The end of chapter questions had at least two to three questions that had the incorrect answer options "None of the above" when the student has to go through the book and edit to get the correct information then the book is not a good study tool. Also, the case studies were good, but the answers did not make any sense at all "None of the above" it was as if someone matched up the case study with the wrong answers. One thing I remember is the book said a uric acid crystal could be mistaken for a

cystine crystal, which did not make sense to me since the book said that uric acid crystals were rhomboid shaped while a cystine crystal is hexagonal. I had to look it up and it turns out that uric acid crystals can have several shapes, including one that is hexagonal, but the book never explains this fact. This is just one little detail the book does not explain. I got *Griff's Textbook of Urinalysis and Body Fluids* instead. It is organized better and has an actual atlas of urine components.

I just finished this course as part of a CLS program and it was one of my favorite classes. This book is interesting and easy to read. There are some spots where a little more detail was desired but I really did enjoy this text. I ended up with a high A in my class thanks to reading (and rereading!!) this book.

This book is a good resource but do not buy it for your Kindle. It is very difficult to read the text and the download is fuzzy. I have a newer Kindle and have never had a text issue with other downloads. It is the book.

I had to purchase this book for my MLT class. It is horribly written. I always rely on the end of chapter questions to enhance my studying but the majority of the answers given are WRONG?! This is really bad. Sentences are often long and wordy. The majority of my class has the same opinion of this book and hopefully, our program director will go back to another text previously used that has great ratings.

The writing in this textbook is wonderful and really helps you understand the topic, however the text is not properly edited. Some of the review questions have no correct answer listed as a choice and others are incorrectly answered in the back of the book. Speaking to my professor I was told that the teachers edition has editors notes throughout the text. Not worth the cost.

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