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Dear Andy:

Enclosed is a copy of Dr. Ben Eiseman's review of the SHOCK TRAUMA/CRITICAL CARE MANUAL, which I promised to send along to you. As you will note, the review will be published in a forthcoming issue of the "Archives of Surgery". We are delighted with Dr. Eiseman's review, since he is known as being a "straight shooting" and demanding task master!

I look forward to our continuing exchanges and to having the opportunity to work with you and your staff in the development and marketing of MIEMSS' educational A.V. materials.

With kindest personal regards.

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Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is a copy of a review that is being published in the Archives of Surgery. I appreciate your sending me this book.

Sincerely,

BE:jn Enclosure Ben Eiseman, M.D. Professor of Surgery Department of Surgery Review Book Editor Archives of Surgery SHOCK TRAUMA/CRITICAL CARE MANUAL
R. Adams Cowley, M.D. and C. Michael Dunham, M.D.
University Park Press, Baltimore, Marylahd
1982, \$49.95.

The many current books on trauma vary from esoterica to stark pragmatism and there is a place for both. The ones that fail—like most compromises try to satisfy everyone. Adams Cowley's new book does not make this mistake. It is admittedly, purposely and solely a manual. It is the distillate or residue boiled free of froth of what the physician should do in the Emergency Room and in the early care of the seriously injured. It is an itemized text lean and hard. As such it is scarsely bedside reading but predictably will be a standard item for physicians both in trauma centers and in hospitals where only occasionally they care for the severely injured. Its bold type and its few no nonsense diagrams are all designed for such use.

Behind this primer is an enormous clinical and administrative experience. The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Service Systems habitually uses trauma fellows of wide background and this manual undoubtedly has been accumulating over the years to indoctrinate these surgeons into the accepted practice in that trauma center. Although the directions and syntex are simple there is both scientific and clinical sophistication beneath the surface. For example the many references to cardiac and peripheral vascular dynamics and blood gas studies are well thought out.

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- The practical monitoring diagrams and flow sheets for various types of injuries.
- The administrative and financial structure of a trauma unit. Dr. Cowley gives us a peek at the wizardry of how he has built, managed and financed his Maryland trauma empire. It is hegemony at its best!
- A superb, very short, practical yet sensitive section on how to tell the family that their son has died from injury.

- A short section on ER techniques in handling the injured. Oddly abdominal paracentesis is placed elsewhere in the text.
- A big section on drugs as they relate to trauma.

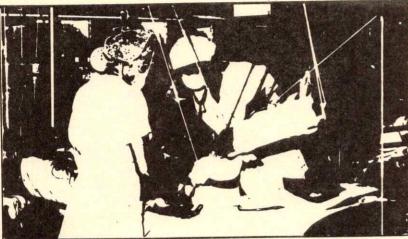
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Emergency Room physicians and others occasionally working in the ER will find this an extremely valuable reference manual. One can picture this big, durable, hard cover book chained to the ER desk for quick and ready reference in most hospitals.

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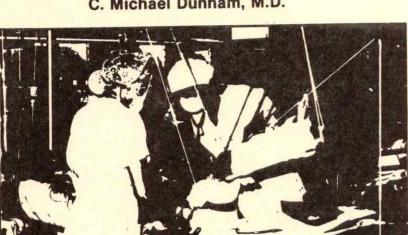




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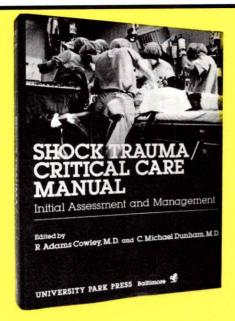
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