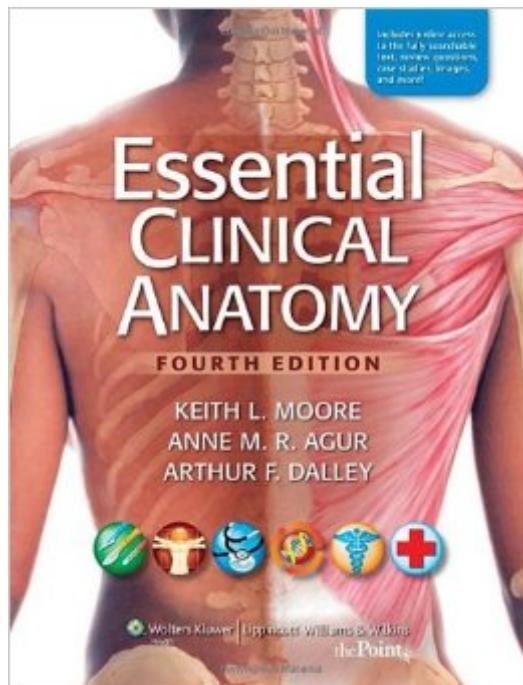


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# Essential Clinical Anatomy, 4th Edition



## **Synopsis**

Essential Clinical Anatomy, Fourth Edition presents the core anatomical concepts found in Clinically Oriented Anatomy, Sixth Edition in a concise, easy-to-read, and student-friendly format. The text includes clinical Blue Boxes, surface anatomy and medical imaging and is an ideal primary text for shorter medical courses and/or health professions courses with condensed coverage of anatomy. The Fourth Edition features a modified layout with new and improved artwork. The clinical Blue Boxes are now grouped to reduce interruption of text and are categorized with icons to promote easier comprehension of clinical information. A companion website includes fully searchable online text, interactive cases, USMLE-style questions, and clinical Blue Box video podcasts. Online faculty resources include an Image Bank and a Question Bank.

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Good: Clinical aspects (blue boxes) good for board review. Bad: Bulk of the text is just not written in a readable manner. Read Blumenfeld's neuroanatomy text, or Gray's, and you'll know what I mean. Ugly: Mis-labeled tables, poor labeling of some illustrations, and some information in text either confusing or just plain wrong. Netter's, Gray's, Blumenfeld all have superior illustrations and explanations of them. Overall, a decent supplementary text, but infuriating at times.

The thing that really bothers me about text books on kindle is the lack of page numbers. this book has page numbers and easily zooms in and out. the kindle's ability to highlight words for a definition

comes in handy as well.

I have the Netter's anatomy as well, but this book puts more clinical context into the anatomy and (frankly) is able to "dumb" some of the diagrams down a little, such that they are a little less overwhelming. For example: when you're studying something for the respiratory block, it will be more specific to what you're supposed to know (at least at my school, in the first year).

The book is difficult to find information because there is no glossary or index. I also found that the images were not consistent.

This is a great streamlined anatomy text that gives the key take-home points. The info is sufficient for most except of course the masters and PhDs in anatomy! The only downside is that, as of the date of this review, the access to the online book is not up and running yet (i.e. with the scratch code). I wrote to the customer service (thePoint) about this but have had no response in two weeks. So if you are buying this book to access it online be aware. Not sure when it will be ready.

I've taken more than one anatomy course. If your professor assigns you this. Save yourself the headache and find another anatomy book to cross reference with.

This review is for the Kindle version of the text, being read on the Kindle for Mac application. I do not own a Kindle. Pros: The material is explained well. It is concise and easy to read. Conceptually and in terms of conveying ideas, I think this text does a great job. Cons: Image quality is horrendous. I'm using Kindle For Mac and there is no zoom function for the images. A lot of the images are tiny and you can see pixelation where they've down sampled the images to conserve space. I'm trying to look at the membranes of the internal, external, and innermost intercostal muscles and I can tell you that the image I'm using (Fig 1.11) is borderline useless. If you're taking anatomy and need to reference an atlas, you know that 3/4 of the information you need is going to be in those images. This is where this version seriously fails to deliver. Whether it's because of display limitations of the Kindle For Mac application or the actual file containing subpar images, I would definitely recommend you NOT pick up the Kindle version of this text. Try to find a real PDF version of it or get the hard copy version.

We used this for basic anatomy class. Loved the book as it was more detailed than we needed, but

gave me insight on what was to come in later classes. I decided to keep the book and not sell it back as I felt it would be a great reference. I especially liked the blue boxes with clinical correlations to connect the class to real life medicine.

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