



2020 Comprehensive General Surgery Module: Key References

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Diplomates are neither required nor expected to read all of these references before or during the completion of the assessment.

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Desmoid Tumors

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Pancreatic Neoplasm, Endocrine

- Partelli S, Cirocchi R, Crippa S, et al. Systematic review of active surveillance versus surgical management of asymptomatic small non-functioning pancreatic neuroendocrine neoplasms. *Br J Surg*. 2017;104(1):34-41.
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- Mallick R, Chen H. Diagnosis and management of hyperparathyroidism. *Adv Surg*. 2018;52(1):137-153.
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