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**Perioperative Management of the Patient on Corticosteroids**


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**Perioperative Management of the Therapeutically Anticoagulated Patient**


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**Preoperative Assessment and Management of Cardiac Risk**


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**Preoperative Assessment and Management of Pulmonary Risk**


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Postoperative Delirium


Opioid Prescribing


Septic Shock


Effect of Surgery, Illness, and Injury on Nutritional Requirements


Ethical Issues in Clinical Surgery: End-of-Life Issues


Hypocalcemia and Hypercalcemia


Necrotizing Soft Tissue Infections

Prevention of Surgical Site Infection

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Prophylaxis for Venous Thromboembolism

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