



2020 Alimentary Tract Module: Key References

Below you will find the topics and a selection of key references for the Alimentary Tract module of the General Surgery Continuous Certification Assessment. References that are available open source are indicated with a green star ★ and the entire citation is a link to the open access source. References that are not available open access have a link in their PubMed ID to the abstract.

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

To view all references, see [this page of the ABS website](#).

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