Below you will find the topics and their accompanying key references for the 2021 Core Surgery Module for 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.

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Anticoagulation Management:

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Desmoids Tumors:

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Fascial Closure Technique:

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Frailty, Risk Mitigation Strategies for Surgery:

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Intra-abdominal Infections:

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MIS Repair in Women:

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Nutrition and Surgical Outcomes:

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Preoperative Assessment and Management of Cardiac Risk:

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Prevention and Management of Operating Room Fires:

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SARS-CoV-2 and Elective Surgery:

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Septic Shock:

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Surgical Risk and Chronic Liver Disease:

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Surgical Risk and Pregnancy:

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Thyroid Cancer in a Patient with Multiple Co-Morbidities:

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