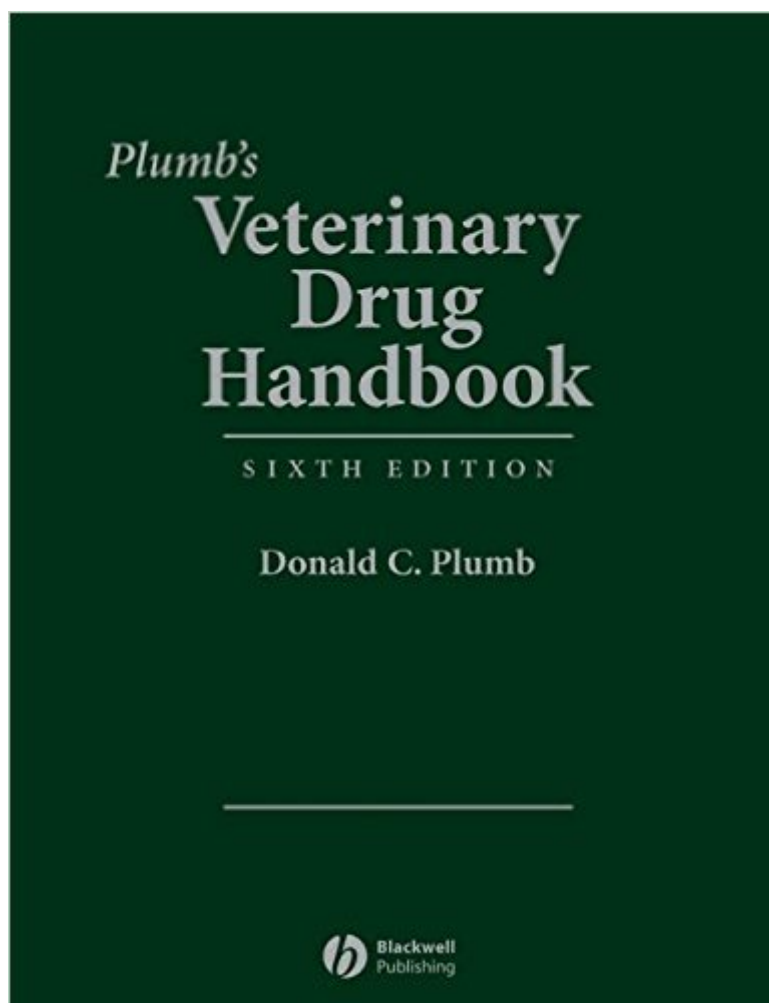


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# Plumb's Veterinary Drug Handbook: Desk Edition



## Synopsis

The Sixth Edition of this bestselling handbook includes over 70 new drug monographs, as well as updated dosages and information for older monographs. A separate section on topical medications has been added, and sections on ophthalmic drugs and small animal therapeutic diets have been updated. Completely new to the Sixth Edition is a two-color format and new monograph layout, which enables faster access to much-needed information. The Sixth Edition features new overdose information from the ASPCA® Animal Poison Control Center on 50 of the drugs most commonly associated with animal overdoses, and a new appendix on overdose decontamination. Plumb's Veterinary Drug Handbook is available in an 8 1/2 x 11-inch desk size for enhanced readability and ease of use, as well as the convenient pocket size and electronic formats. Plumb's one-volume coverage of drugs approved for veterinary species and non-approved (human) drugs that are used in veterinary practices today make this book an essential reference for veterinarians, veterinary technicians, veterinary pharmacologists, pharmacists with veterinary patients, animal research or zoological facilities, and libraries that serve these groups.

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if you are in the veterinary field, you need this book!! I have bought the newest edition of Plumb's as each one has come out. If a medication is used in veterinary treatments, approved or not for animal use, Plumb's will tell you everything about that drug. Drawbacks, cautions, dosages, (including which dosage for different species, as well as dosages for different problems). I have been a vet tech for

close to 30 years, and this is the best drug reference I have ever used.

As a passionate Veterinary Surgeon that likes to be updated about every subject and wants to make the most of its work time, this is a practical and very accurate companion to be around...I possess some of the current veterinary drug formularies and most of them tend to be brief in their descriptions and information (sometimes too brief)...When doubt arises about a certain drug, if you can't find it anywhere you'll certainly find it in Plumb's..."Can i use this in a dog/cat/snake ? what's the dosage ? what are the contra-indications and possible side effects ?"...Plumb's life's goal is to provide rapid and clear answers to these and many other questions...I strongly recommend this book to every Vet in the USA...

Great resource. Each addition is more in-depth and adds more sections. This is the "go-to" veterinary formulary. On a slightly negative note, this has not been a "handbook" since the second addition. Who are they kidding?

This is the very best pharmaceutical book I have ever owned. What makes it so worth the price is that not only are the drugs listed alphabetically by name, but also you can reference them by use- for example "Otic preparations" "Ophthalmic analgesics" and etc...Plus, it is very complete in giving you a wide range of dosages and is very inclusive of all veterinary drugs on the market. Truly a wonderful book.

I'm writing this review because a critical review seems to be missing from the love-fest regarding this reference. First off, there are simply too many doses listed for each drug. Nearly every dose that has ever been used in any published veterinary study is listed in the dosing section for each drug. Simply put, it's easy to be misled by this reference. A fine example can be found by researching corticosteroids. Many of the listed doses for inflammatory conditions actually fall well within and often surpass immunosuppressive dose ranges. A better reference would simply state "anti-inflammatory dose is x mg/kg, immunosuppressive dose is x mg/kg" rather than citing a study from 1965 that used a dose of x mg/kg in 30 beagles with intervertebral disc disease. Secondly, some doses listed appear to be a little sketchy. An example is the listed dose for Metronidazole. Plumb would have you dose well above the known dose inducing neurological toxicity. I do, however appreciate the new sections on topicals and nutrition. Rather than just following convention and purchasing this old standby, consider Papich's formulary. He's a veterinary pharmacist and cuts

through a lot of the clutter. A very practical and safe reference.

I really like the content of the handbook. This is the second time I have had to purchase the CD. My computer crashed and I lost the CD from the first purchase. The only thing I do not like with this version is that I can not load it onto my computer and I have to have the CD in the computer to run the handbook. This slows it down considerably.

I am a new graduate and a large animal veterinarian. My practice is exclusively mobile. Although the desk edition is a big book and although I have opted to purchase some e-books, I am glad to carry this book with me on the road. The font type is easy to read, it is easy to find drug dosages that are not necessarily on the bottle labels. I have been working for two months and have already used this book multiple times, looking up dosages on my own, and also for the experienced practitioners that I work with.

This book is a must have for any veterinarian or veterinary pharmacist. Has drug info for many species and off label use as well.

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