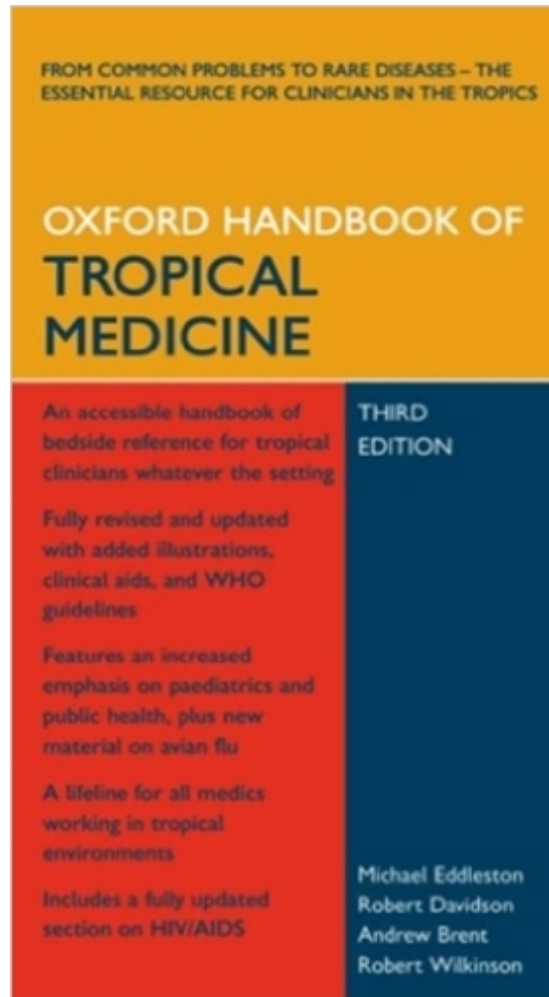


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# Oxford Handbook Of Tropical Medicine (Oxford Handbooks Series)



## Synopsis

Delivering the facts to your fingertips, the Oxford Handbook of Tropical Medicine provides an accessible and comprehensive, signs-and-symptoms-based source of information on medical problems commonly seen in the tropics. A handy guide which can fit in the coat pocket and be used easily at the bedside, it has been designed to be as practical as possible with illustrations of blood films and stool smears, which are useful for diagnosis, as well as clinical features, diagnosis, and management. Medical conditions are ordered by system except for the five major tropical conditions - malaria, HIV/STIs, tuberculosis, diarrhoeal diseases, and acute respiratory infections - and fevers. In this new edition the sections on malaria, cardiology, chest medicine, gastroenterology, mental health and dermatology have undergone major revision, and there is new material on altitude sickness, heat stroke, avian flu and fuller poisoning. There is a greater emphasis on pediatric medicine and public health throughout, and new illustrations and photographs have been included to aid with diagnosis. Small enough to throw in your rucksack, this unique handbook is the ultimate quick reference guide for all those working in the tropics.

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I am currently working in a large medical NGO as an outpatient/emergency, chronic disease and nutritional feeding program medical supervisor in Africa. I use this handbook as a portable reference in my "go bag" at least several times a week. It covers a very wide variety of topics that are pertinent to anyone working in these challenging contexts. It is well organized and indexed. Ran into a friend

of mine heading to the Sudan to work for 6 months and he wished that he had a copy as well... This one is a no brainer, it will pay for itself 10x over and help save lives along the way. Just make sure you get it before you leave. One wish - pdf copy for my iphone...

I stumbled across the Oxford Handbook of Tropical Medicine in a bookshop in Lilongwe, Malawi earlier this month and picked up a copy. Rather than a medical professional, I am an archaeologist who works in rural Africa for 2-3 months each year and have repeatedly found myself playing doctor for members of my team in areas where medical care is hours away, if available at all. I have had wilderness first aid training, used to volunteer in a hospital ER, and have a strong biology background so I was able to understand 75-80% of the Oxford Handbook with careful reading and found it very useful, especially the chapters on malaria and tuberculosis, and the section on bilharzia. That being said, this guide is clearly written for doctors, nurses, or physicians assistants (or someone training for one of those careers) and NOT for the average traveler headed off to the developing world for the first time. If you are going on safari or are off to do a brief stint of volunteer work someplace in tropical Africa find yourself a good first aid guide and download the latest info from the CDC on malaria prophylaxis ([...])

As a part-time medical missions worker, I need the details to remind myself of treatments and diagnoses of things I don't see on a daily basis. This book had the detail, and was small. I will take it on all my missions with me!

This is a great book, especially for those who travel for medical missions trips as I do. But even if you practice in rural/remote areas, this is great. Not only does it include well organized descriptions of tropical diseases, it also includes pictures of various skin lesions. Not bad to add to your library. If you come as far as to read reviews on it, you're probably someone who should definitely go ahead and purchase it!

I used this book on a medical humanitarian mission to Africa because I didn't want to lug my huge textbooks around. It was the perfect size to fit in my carry on and fanny pack. The material was clear, concise, and up to date. I used it every day of my trip, and would recommend it to physicians or other health care professionals.

It came a couple days later than what you predicted but in the nick of time to give as a gift to a nurse

going to India to work in a large orphanage. I didn't really get to open the book but was very glad to get it to give to her.

I purchased this book to use as a reference for a medical missions trip to Kenya (as a Pharmacist) and was definitely disappointed. I was really looking to get "in the trenches" information regarding diagnosing and treating diseases of the developing nations but what I got was a standard overview of basic medical information I already knew or could look up in any other medical reference. Much of the book didn't even focus on tropical diseases. I am not sure who would find this useful.....but certainly not me. Thumbs down.

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