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Accessibility of Internet References in *Annals of Emergency Medicine*: Is It Time to Require Archiving?

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**Study objective:** We seek to evaluate the accessibility of all Internet references appearing in *Annals of Emergency Medicine* from 2000, 2003, and 2005. Secondary objectives are to determine whether the number of Internet references is increasing and to describe how Internet references are inaccessible.

**Methods:** We visually scanned all articles for references made in the printed version of *Annals of Emergency Medicine* for 2000, 2003, and 2005. We identified the Internet references and grouped them into 11 categories according to the results of entering the uniform resource locator (URL) into the Internet browser.

**Results:** We identified 15,745 references published in *Annals of Emergency Medicine*. The proportion of Internet references increased from 1% of the total references in 2000 to 5.4% in 2005. Internet references were not readily accessible for 40 of 51 Internet references in 2000 (78%; 95% confidence interval [CI] 65% to 88%), 161 of 286 Internet references in 2003 (56%; 95% CI 50% to 62%), and 111 of 249 Internet references in 2005 (45%; 95% CI 39% to 51%). Inaccessibility was most commonly manifested by URLs that no longer link to active Web sites (172 of 312 inaccessible Internet references [55%; 95% CI 50% to 61%]) and URLs that linked to generic home pages where the authors’ referenced material could not be found (115 of 312 inaccessible Internet references [37%; 95% CI 32% to 42%]).

**Conclusion:** In *Annals of Emergency Medicine*, older Internet references appear to be less accessible than newer references. Internet reference archiving is one solution to preserving this information for future readers. [Ann Emerg Med. 2007;50:188-192.]

INTRODUCTION

The desire to preserve important writings for future generations has existed for centuries as people have designed ways to store, catalogue, and retrieve information.1-5 Recently, the Internet has become a transformative technologic advance for dispersing information to a widespread audience. Because searching, organizing, and sharing information has never been easier, authors of medical and scientific articles have been incorporating Internet references to support material in their publications.6,7 Approximately 3% of all references within recently published scientific and medical journals are Internet references.6,7 In our own experience retrieving Internet references, we found that many of them were no longer active or no longer contained the material originally referenced in the article. Using Internet references within published articles becomes problematic for the readers of scientific and medical journals if the supporting material for factual statements disappears. This problem has been identified in high-impact-factor journals such as *Journal of the American Medical Association, Science, and New England Journal of Medicine*7-9.

Our objective was to evaluate the accessibility of all Internet references appearing in *Annals of Emergency Medicine* for 2000, 2003, and 2005. Secondary objectives were to determine whether the number of Internet references is increasing and to describe how Internet references are inaccessible.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

All references published in the printed version of *Annals of Emergency Medicine* from January through December 2000, 2003, and 2005 were included in our study. We excluded references within advertisements or supplemental publications. We grouped each reference into one of 8 categories: medical/scientific journals, books and book chapters, government documents, presentations and announcements, newsletters and...
newspapers, databases and software, pamphlets and package inserts, and Internet references. The Internet reference category comprised our main study group.

Throughout a 2-month period (August to September 2006), we attempted to access all Internet references cited in Annals of Emergency Medicine during our study years. In a post hoc analysis, we classified the Internet references into 11 categories (Table 1). To better interpret the data, we then organized the 11 categories in 2 main groups. The first group consisted of Internet references that were readily accessible and contained information that the author intended to cite. The second group consisted of Internet references that failed to contain readily accessible information that the author intended to cite.

We entered all the Internet references into a spreadsheet and checked the spelling of each uniform resource locator (URL) against the original published Internet reference at the time of data entry and again if the Internet reference was placed in the “no site found” category. The spreadsheet was linked to an Internet browser (Firefox, version 1.5.0.1; Mozilla Foundation, Mountain View, CA), and double-clicking on each URL directly from the spreadsheet accessed the URLs. These spreadsheets can be found in Appendix E1, available online at http://www.annemergmed.com. We were concerned that the dynamic nature of the Internet would give the “no site found” message or “temporarily unavailable” message erroneously. To avoid misclassification when these messages appeared, we retrieved each site at least 24 hours after the failed attempt.

We frequently encountered a situation in which the URL would access a generic home page. The authors’ intended information would be related to the content on the home page, but the specific topic cited by the author could not be identified by scrolling through the Web site. For example, a URL that links to the New York Times Web site will be active, but the information the authors intended to cite will no longer be on the home page. Because the main purpose of the study was to evaluate the accessibility of referenced information on the Internet, we thought that classifying these URLs as active sites

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**Table 1. Internet reference categories and descriptions of these categories.**

| Internet Reference Category | Description of Category |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Internet references that are readily accessible |  |
| Active site | A Web site that immediately displayed the authors’ intended information |
| Reference found with site search | A related but generic home page appeared, and the information could be identified using the site-specific search engine* |
| Temporarily unavailable but now active | A Web site that initially gave a “temporarily unavailable” message, but the site became active during our data collection period |
| Internet references that are not readily accessible |  |
| Restricted site | A Web site that required a password to enter and search the site |
| Publisher’s site | A Web site in which the book or software that contained the authors’ intended information could be purchased |
| Reference not found with site search | A related but generic home page appeared, but the site-specific search engine could not locate the authors’ intended information within the first 10 results |
| No site search capability | A related but generic home page appeared, but the Web site did not have a site-specific search function to locate the authors’ intended information |
| Temporarily unavailable | An Internet reference that remained in this category consistently gave a “temporarily unavailable” message throughout our data collection period |
| Updated version of same information | A Web site that contained the authors’ intended information, but the data had clearly been updated since the reference had been published in Annals of Emergency Medicine† |
| Information mismatch | A Web site that has no relation to the authors’ intended information |
| No site found | A Web site could not be found or a 404 error occurred |

*See text for a description of a related but generic home page.  
†For example, an eScience article with the same title and author as referenced in Annals of Emergency Medicine that had been modified after publication of the Internet reference.
was inappropriate. In an attempt to locate the authors’ intended information, we used the site-specific search engine. Phrases that represented the authors’ intended information as published were then entered into the data spreadsheet. We used the copy and paste functions to transfer the text directly from the “intended information” column in the spreadsheet to the site-specific search bar on the Web site. The first 10 results produced by each search were reviewed, and the Internet references were then categorized according to the results of these individual searches. If the authors’ intended information was found, the Internet reference was classified in the “reference found with the site search” category. If the information could not be found, the Internet reference was placed in the “reference not found with the site search” category.

The number of Internet references in each category was totaled and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were calculated using the cii, Wilson command (Stata, version 9.1; StataCorp, College Station, TX). Because our study contained information using the cii, Wilson command (Stata, version 9.1; StataCorp, College Station, TX). Because our study contained information using the cii, Wilson command (Stata, version 9.1; StataCorp, College Station, TX). Because our study contained information using the cii, Wilson command (Stata, version 9.1; StataCorp, College Station, TX). Because our study contained information using the cii, Wilson command (Stata, version 9.1; StataCorp, College Station, TX).

| Internet Reference Category | 2000 | 2003 | 2005 |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|
| Medical/scientific journals | 4,672 | 4,843 | 3,874 |
| Books and book chapters† | 423 | 603 | 386 |
| Internet references | 51 | 286 | 249 |
| Government documents‡ | 35 | 81 | 22 |
| Presentations and announcements§ | 29 | 28 | 41 |
| Newsletters and newspapers | 53 | 29 | 7 |
| Databases and software | 5 | 5 | 9 |
| Pamphlets and package inserts | 8 | 1 | 5 |
| Total references | 5,276 | 5,876 | 4,593 |

*Total percentage will not equal 100, because of rounding.
†Includes monographs and dissertations.
‡Includes acts, laws, and governmental policy statements (not otherwise referenced).
§Includes professional meetings, press releases, stage plays, and professional society guideline statements (not otherwise referenced).

RESULTS

We identified 15,745 references published in Annals of Emergency Medicine in 2000, 2003, and 2005. References made to the medical/scientific journals and magazines composed 85% of the total references identified during the 3 years. The Internet reference category was the third largest group of references and contributed 4% of the total references (Table 2).

The proportion of references that were Internet references increased throughout our 3 study years. Fifty-one of 5,276 total references (1%; 95% CI 0.7% to 1.3%) in 2000, 286 of 5,876 references (4.9%; 95% CI 4.3% to 5.4%) in 2003, and 249 of 4,593 (5.4%; 95% CI 4.8% to 6.1%) in 2005 were Internet references. When comparing the categories of Internet references, we found that the number of Internet references that no longer accessed the authors’ intended information increased over time. Forty of the 51 Internet references in 2000 (78%; 95% CI 65% to 88%), 161 of the 286 Internet references in 2003 (56%; 95% CI 50% to 62%), and 111 of the 249 Internet references in 2005 (45%; 95% CI 39% to 51%) no longer allowed access to the authors’ intended information.

To better describe how the Internet references are inaccessible, we compared the 8 categories of Internet references that did not readily link to the authors’ intended information. During the 3 years, 172 Internet references (55% of inaccessible Internet references; 95% CI 50% to 61%) could not locate a Web site. One hundred fifteen (37% of inaccessible Internet references; 95% CI 32% to 42%) of the inaccessible Internet references linked to a generic and related Web site, but the authors’ intended information could not be identified (Table 3). Of the 4 Internet references that gave a “temporarily unavailable” message initially (1% of total Internet references; 95% CI 0.3% to 1.7%), none of those Internet references became readily accessible during our study period and, therefore, remained in this category.

LIMITATIONS

We did not have a computerized method for identifying references within Annals of Emergency Medicine, so we manually reviewed each issue. It is conceivable that we overlooked or misclassified references. Some references were in languages other than English, but none of these references had the format of an Internet reference. We are not aware of a validated method for determining whether Internet references contain the authors’ intended information. Difficulty in determining whether the

| Internet Reference Category | 2000 | 2003 | 2005 | All Years |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|----------|
| Information readily accessible, No. (%) | 11 (22) | 104 (36) | 112 (45) | 227 (39) |
| Reference found with site search | 0 | 21 (7) | 26 (10) | 47 (8) |
| Temporarily unavailable but now active | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Information not readily accessible, No. (%) | 8 (16) | 51 (18) | 36 (14) | 95 (16) |
| Restricted site | 1 (2) | 1 (<1) | 0 | 2 (<1) |
| Publisher’s site | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reference not found with site search | 2 (4) | 6 (2) | 6 (2) | 14 (2) |
| No site search capability | 5 (10) | 7 (2) | 8 (3) | 20 (3) |
| Temporarily unavailable | 0 | 2 (1) | 2 (1) | 4 (1) |
| Updated version of same information | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Information mismatch | 0 | 3 (1) | 0 | 3 (1) |
| No site found | 24 (47) | 90 (31) | 58 (23) | 172 (29) |

Percentages may not equal 100 due to rounding.
Internet reference linked to the authors’ intended Web site could have led us to misclassify some of the references. We provide all 586 of the Internet references on the Web version of this article (Appendix E1, available online at http://www.annemergmed.com) to allow the reader the opportunity to identify such misclassifications. Although we attempted to access the Internet references that were not active or temporarily unavailable at 2 points, it is conceivable that additional attempts to access those URLs would have changed the classification of those Internet references. We had no method for systematically identifying typographic errors within the published Internet references. Correcting typographic errors might change the classification of some Internet references. Although other journals have reported similar results,7-10 the references were sampled from Annals of Emergency Medicine, and the results may not generalize to other journals.

DISCUSSION

The Internet references published in Annals of Emergency Medicine appear to become less readily accessible over time. Five years after publication, 78% of the Internet references no longer allowed the reader to readily access the authors’ intended information as cited in the published reference section. Previous publications have reported that 4.4% of Internet references become inaccessible after 3 months,8 13% after 1 year,9 and 59% at 3 years.10 Even though previous publications have different definitions of accessibility, the gradual loss of Internet information demonstrated in our study agrees with previous reports.

Of the 586 Internet references identified in our study, 312 were not readily accessible. Of these inaccessible Internet references, 55% could not link to an active Web site, and 37% would link to a generic but related Web site that did not contain the authors’ intended information. During our attempts at accessing these Internet references, we often could not decide whether we were viewing the material the authors had viewed when writing the article. A central function of references is to provide support for statements put forward by an author. If a reader questions a fact, he or she can go to the supporting reference and review that information. Traditionally, if a journal article is cited in a reference section, that journal can be accessed and the reader can be confident that the article he or she is reading was the exact article that the author intended to cite. The reader may then participate in a dialogue with the author by challenging his interpretation of the data presented in the reference. If this dialogue is held in a public forum such as in a letter to the editor, the readers may benefit from a deeper insight into the topic at hand. Authors are held to a high degree of accountability for the factual statements they make and reference. If the supporting material in a reference disappears or changes over time, components of a meaningful dialogue and author accountability are damaged.

Internet references composed approximately 3% of the total references appearing in recently published scientific and medical journals.6,7 Our data demonstrate increased use of Internet references in Annals of Emergency Medicine. From 2000 to 2005, Internet references increased from 1% to more than 5% of the total references. Because of the convenience of the Internet, authors are recognizing the value of the Internet as a resource. If the use of Internet references continues to increase, the problems associated with inaccessible information will increase also.

Several solutions to the problem of inaccessible Internet references have been proposed. Published reports have suggested that the author or publisher keep a digital or hard copy of the information contained within an Internet reference.8,9,11,12 These solutions are not intuitively appealing because authors may become unavailable and publishers may go out of business. Now that the technology exists to digitally archive information, a better solution available to authors and publishers is the archiving of Internet references. The 2 archiving systems that are available are Internet Archive (available at http://www.archive.org) and WebCite (available at http://www.webcitation.org).9-12

Both of these systems can be used free by authors, readers, journals, and publishers.9,10 In comparing Internet Archive to WebCite, we feel that WebCite is the better system. Internet Archive is limited in that it can store only static information, thus excluding video, representation of databases, and other dynamic sources.12,13 In addition, Internet Archive acts as a crawler, so Internet references that have password restrictions or restrictions to “crawlers” may not be accessible.12 WebCite, on the other hand, takes a “snapshot” of the Web site and immediately provides a “permalink” URL that the author can publish.10 The permalink URL will immediately take the reader to the snapshot of the Web site. The WebCite’s use of the permalink would ensure that the reader was viewing the exact Web site the author had viewed when writing the article. Last, WebCite has formed partnerships with libraries and preservation consortia that have legally agreed to support the service to ensure long-term availability to authors, readers, and publishers.10

There is no standardized requirement among scientific or medical journals’ instruction to authors for archiving Internet references.14 As of 2003, 99% of high-impact journals do not provide instructions to authors on archiving digital information.11 Given the increasing inaccessibility of Internet references over time, we concur with previous recommendations that the time to require archiving of Internet references has arrived.6-9,11,12

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## APPENDIX E1. INTERNET REFERENCES AND CATEGORIZATION DATA.

| Web site | Intended Info | Classification | Original Annals reference |
|----------|---------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| Jan-00   | http://www.fsis.usda.gov/ophs/salmdata.html | HACCP implementation: first year | 5 | Karras. Incidence of Foodborne illnesses: preliminary data from the goodborne diseases active surveillance network. CDC Update. 2000 35:1: 92-95 |
|          | http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/eid/vol3no4/tauxe.htm | Salmonella test results 1998-1999 | 1 | same as above |
|          | http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/eid/vol5no1/altekruse.htm | Tauxe RV. Emerging Food Borne Diseases | 0 | same as above |
|          | http://www.detoxcenter.com | Altekruse, Stem, et al. C.jejuni-an emerging foodborne pathogen. | 6 | Bultuis, Diaz. Ultrarapid opiate detoxification (letter). 2000. 35:1;100-101 |
|          | http://www.phillynews.com/inquirer/99/sep/29/sj/ | Gooberman LL. Heroin detox: 4 hr medical procedure | 5 | same as above |
|          | http://www.acep.org/policy | Emergency information form for children with special needs; policy statement 1999 | 5 | Abrunzo, et al. Role of Emergency Physicians in the care of the child in school. 2000. 35:2;155-159 |
| Mar-00   | http://www.medpac.gov | Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; Report to the Congress.March 1999 | 5 | Henry, et al. Inadequate hospital reimbursement for victims of motor vehicle crashes due to health reform legislation. 35:3;277-282 |
|          | http://www.hcfa.gov/medicaid/bba2208c.htm | Medicaid policies under the balanced budget act of 1997. State Medicaid Director letter feb. 1998 | 0 | Irvin, Fox. Reimbursement impact of Medicaid managed care organizations replacing standard medicaid. 2000. 35:3;287-290 |
|          | http://www.hcfa.gov/medicaid/trends97.htm | National summary of medicaid managed care programs and enrollment, June 1997 | 0 | same as above |
|          | http://www.freep.com | Anstett P. Big Loss hits Ford Health System. Nov. 1998 | 5 | same as above |
|          | http://www.hcfa.gov/medicaid/bba-qmb.htm | Medicaid policies under the balanced budget act of 1997. Medicaid director letter Nov. 1997 | 0 | same as above |
|          | http://www.aispub.com | HCFA checking emergency room provider complaints over prudent layperson ignorance. Aug 23, 1999 | 6 | Tintinalli. Analysis of insurance payment denials using prudent layperson standard. 2000. 35:3;291-293 |
|          | http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dbmd/abcs/gas98.pdf | 1999 Active Bacterial Core Surveillance Report, Emerging Infections Program | 0 | Talan, Moran. Commentary: Use of pulsed field gel electrophoresis for investigation of a cluster of invasive GAS illnesses. CDC Update. 2000. 35:3;308-310 |
| Web site                                                                 | Intended Info                                                                 | Classification | Original Annals reference |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Apr-00 http://www.cdc.gov/nchswww/data/inj.pdf                         | Instructions for completing the cause-of-death section of the death certificate for injury and poisoning | 0              | Hoppe-Roberts, et al. Poisoning Mortality statistics in the US; Comparison of national mortality statistics and poison control center reports. 2000; 35;440-446 |
| http://www.cdc.gov/nchswww/about/major/dvs/brief.htm                  | Possible solutions to common problems in death certification, 1997            | 1              | same as above             |
| http://www.cdc.gov/nchswww/datawh/statab/unpubd/mortabs/gmwki.htm     | General mortality tables, total deaths for each cause by 5 year age groups, United States, 1993, 1994, 1995, and 1996. | 1              | same as above             |
| Jun-00 http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/nhlbi/nhlbi.htm                        | Expert Panel Report 2: Guidelines for the diagnosis and management of asthma | 0              | Boudreaux, et al. Telephone follow-up after the ED visit: Experience with acute asthma. 2000; 35;6:555-563 |
| http://www2.cdc.gov/nccdphp/brfss/display.adp                          | CDC tobacco use prevalence 1996                                               | 0              | same as above             |
| http://www.acep.org/policy/PO400198.HTM                               | Non beneficial emergency medical interventions; policy statement march 1998   | 0              | Marco, et al. Determination of futility in Emergency Medicine. 2000. 35;6:604-612 |
| Jul-00 http://www.hcqualitycommission.gov/                             | President’s Advisory Commission on Consumer protection. Quality First:Better Health Care for all Americans | 1              | Wears, et al. Human Error in Medicine: Promise and pitfalls, Part I (Health policy) 2000. 36;1:58-60 |
| http://www.spectator.org                                               | Grossman E. God’s work.                                                       | 6              | same as above             |
| Aug-00 http://www.fda.gov/cber/gdlns/popharm.pdf                       | US dept. Health and Human Svs. Guidance for industry population pharmacokinetics. 1999 | 1              | Sivilotti, et al. Toxicokinetics of ethylene glycol during fomepizole therapy; implications for management. 2000. 36;2:114-125 |
| http://www.fahs.com                                                    | Hospital in Crisis. Post BBA and Post BBRA, Ernst and Young and HCIA-Sachs 5/2000 | 5              | Baxt. Crisis at america’s teaching hospitals. 2000. 36;2:145-148 |
| http://www.fahs.com                                                    | Talking Points. Federation of American Health System, Bulletin, May 8, 2000.  | 6              | same as above             |
| http://www.nap.edu                                                     | America’s Health Care Safety Net: intact but endangered.                      | 7              | same as above             |
| http://www.crtia.be                                                   | Mapfe Medical Foundation. Brugada syndrome.                                   | 6              | Jones, Gage. Brugada Syndrome as the cause of syncope in a 49 year old man. 2000. 36;2:156-159 |
| Sep-00 http://www.saem.org/rescat/contents.htm                         | SAEM Residency Catalog                                                        | 1              | Emond, et al. Asthma education in the ED. 2000. 36;3:204-211 |
| http://www.AsthmaInAmerica.com                                         | Schulman, Ronca, and Bucuvalas. Asthma in America                            | 0              | same as above             |
| http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed/                                   | PubMed                                                                        | 1              | Cydulka. Easire Breathing? (Editorial). 2000. 36;3:236-238 |
| Web site | Intended Info | Classification | Original Annals reference |
|----------|---------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| http://www.njkidcare.org | NJ Kidcare FAQ | 0 | Nedza, et al. Emergency departments and uninsured children: An enrollment opportunity (Editorial). 2000. 36:3;240-242 |
| http://www.bmjg.com/rct | Jadad. Randomised controlled trials: A user’s guide | 0 | Jadad, Cepeda. Ten challenges at the intersection of clinical research, evidence-based medicine, and pain relief. (EBEM Commentary). 2000. 36:3;247-252 |
| http://www.consort-statement.org | Consort Web Site | 1 | same as above |
| http://www.cma.ca/cmaj/vol-162/issue-3/0362.htm | Jadad, et al. Internet and evidence-based decision-making: a needed synergy for efficient knowledge management in health care. | 0 | same as above |
| October 2000 | http://www.honduras.com/vital-statistics/ | Data File and Documentation for public use (Death rates) | 8 | Richman, et al. Injury Control in Honduras: a survey of injury mortality. 2000. 36:4;333-339 |
| http://www.oas.org/EN/MSTATES/gofhon.htm | 1996 population and administrative divisions in 1997 | 0 | same as above |
| http://www.honduras.com/vitals-statistics/hondurasmap.jpg | Map of administrative divisions of 1997 | 5 | same as above |
| http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/osp/us9693/ oieaer.htm | Public-use data file and documentation. | 0 | same as above |
| http://www.icweb2.loc.gov/frd/cs/hntoc.html | Merrill, ed. US Library of congress country study-Honduras | 0 | same as above |
| http://acep.org/POLICY/PO400052 | Motor Vehicle Safety | 0 | Corneli, et al. Adults and Children in Motor Vehicle Crashes: a matched pairs study. 2000. 36:4;340-345 |
| http://www.near.edu | National Emergency Airway Registry | 1 | Grossman, Schriger. Immobilization technique and blade choice in the endotracheal intubation of trauma patients (Editorial). 2000. 36:4;351-353 |
| http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/hivinfo.htm | National Center for HIV, STD, and TB prevention web site. | 1 | Merchant. Nonoccupational HIV postexposure prophylaxis. 2000. 36:4;366-375 |
| http://www.hivatis.org | HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service | 5 | same as above |
| www.psychiatry.med.uwo.ca/ddp/education/ titlepage.htm | Published health care guidelines for specific diagnostic entities assoc. with MR | 0 | Sullivan, et al. Enhancing the Emergency department outcomes of patients with mental retardation (letter) 2000. 36:4;399-400 |
| November 2000 | http://www.samhsa.gov/oas/nhsda/ar18ttoc.htm | Preliminary estimates from the 1995 National Household Survey on drug abuse | 0 | Feldman, et al. Acute cardiac ischemia in patients with cocaine-associated complaints. 2000. 36:5; 469-476 |
| http://www.samhsa.gov/oas/dawn/ar17_toc.htm | Preliminary estimates from the drug abuse warning network | 0 | same as above |
| Web site                                                                 | Intended Info                                                                 | Classification | Original Annals reference |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| www.asahq.org/Standards/20.htm                                         | Standards: continuum of depth of sedation/definition of general anesthesia and levels of sedation/analgesia | 0              | Green, Krauss. The semantics of ketamine (Editorial). 2000. 36:5;480-482 |
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