This reference is a practical, up-to-the-minute guide to more than 600 diagnostic tests. It focuses on the key information nurses need at the point of care and includes tips, checklists, quick-scan tables, and 500 illustrations.

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