

# Training in acute medicine – *ACUMEN*

A high-quality e-learning resource aimed at physician trainees



- Covers all aspects of acute medical care with interactive clinical scenarios
- Allows you to practise your skills in diagnosing and managing conditions
- Produced with the UK's leading medical colleges and professional bodies

***ACUMEN* is an interactive learning resource that covers all aspects of acute medical care. It is aimed at specialty trainees.**

The learning sessions are highly engaging, featuring many videos, exercises and self-assessment questions to stimulate thinking and embed understanding on the key concepts.

*ACUMEN* has been produced by leading clinical experts in the UK, which is renowned for its expertise in acute medicine. So, it meets the highest quality standards.

## key features at a glance

- **Comprehensive content**  
The high-quality content includes real-life scenarios and knowledge-based sessions. *ACUMEN* has been written and reviewed by an expert team of acute physicians to ensure that it is relevant, accurate and consistent with best practice.
- **Real-life scenarios**  
Clinical scenarios allow you to gain confidence and experience in assessing, diagnosing and treating a variety of conditions.
- **Engaging content**  
The content features images, animations and questions, which provide a more engaging experience than textbook learning alone.
- **Quality assurance**  
*ACUMEN* meets the highest professional quality standards, as recognised by the Federation of Royal Colleges of Physicians.
- **Convenient, easy access**  
The programme can be accessed online so you can study anywhere, at any time.
- **A flexible resource**  
You can use *ACUMEN* for individual, self-paced study. The e-learning also provides a comprehensive resource for group training.

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## Improving diagnostic skills

ACUMEN features real-life scenarios and knowledge-based sessions that cover all major forms of presentation to acute medical units. These include:

- the four key emergency presentations (the unconscious patient, the shocked patient, cardio-respiratory arrest and anaphylaxis)
- the most common symptom-based presentations, such as breathlessness and chest pain
- less frequent scenarios that are not uncommon in acute care

Using the clinical scenarios, you can follow a patient from the initial presentation, where you can review a patient's medical history and perform a virtual examination. You can then move on to developing an investigation or a management plan and finally to the

conclusion and review of the patient outcomes.

The outcomes can be compared with those of an expert clinician, helping to identify any areas of weakness or gaps in understanding. You can then complete the knowledge-based sessions to consolidate your learning.

You can revisit the sessions as many times as needed and record your progress online for your training portfolio.

## Available anywhere, at any time

ACUMEN is available via the Internet. You can access the learning sessions in the workplace, at home or on the move – studying around your professional commitments. This is a key benefit, especially in European countries with the constraints on working hours due to the EU Working Time Directive.

ACUMEN therefore provides a novel solution to support and enhance the skills and knowledge acquired in the clinical setting.

**PURCHASE NOW**

*“ Keeping abreast of the challenges in acute medicine is an important part of the role of all physicians working at the front door of our hospitals. We welcome ACUMEN as an accessible, patient-focused way of developing and maintaining this vital medical knowledge. ”*

**Jane Dacre, Past President of the Royal College of Physicians, London**

## course content

ACUMEN includes e-learning sessions on the following subjects:

### Emergency

Abdominal Pain  
Anaphylaxis  
Cardio-respiratory Arrest  
Shocked Patient  
Unconscious Patient

### Main conditions

Acute Back Pain  
Acute Confusion  
Acute Kidney Injury  
Blackout/Collapse  
Breathlessness  
Chest Pain

Cough  
Diarrhoea  
Falls  
Fever  
Fits/Seizure  
Haematemesis and Melaena  
Headache  
Jaundice  
Limb Pain and Swelling  
Palpitation  
Poisoning  
Rash  
Vomiting and Nausea  
Weakness and Paralysis

### Other topics covered

Haemoptysis  
Hoarseness and Stridor  
Hypothermia  
Immobility  
Joint Swelling  
Medical Complications Following Surgery  
Medical Problems in Pregnancy  
Micturition  
Speech Disturbance  
Syncope/Pre-syncope  
Unsteadiness

