

Evaluate Medical Tests

Used in SSA Disability Determinations

Normal test ranges, predictive values, relevant listings, proper technique, and more for 558 medical tests

Dr. David Morton's ***Social Security Disability Medical Tests*** allows you to critically examine the application of test results to disability claims. This affordable book/CD package details over four hundred disability tests in lay English, answering these questions:

- ♦ **When is the test warranted?**
- ♦ **Can SSA purchase it? Does it commonly do so?**
- ♦ **What are the relevant social security medical listings?**
- ♦ **What complications can result?**
- ♦ **How should the test be performed?**
- ♦ **Is the test objective, providing independently verifiable information based upon observation? Or is it subjective, depending upon the information elicited by the testing physician?**
- ♦ **What is the probability that the test will not detect the abnormality?**
- ♦ **What is the prevalence of the abnormality in the population?**
- ♦ **What is the normal range of test results?**

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Authoritative guidance from an insider

Dr. Morton understands SSA disability testing. He was a consultant for disability determination for SSA for six years, then Chief Medical Consultant for another eight years. He personally made more than 50,000 determinations of physical and mental disorders, and trained medical doctors and clinical psychologists to do the same.

In *Social Security Disability Medical Tests*, he distills and conveys in plain terms essential medical testing information for attorneys and ALJs.

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Type distinguishes between objective and subjective tests.

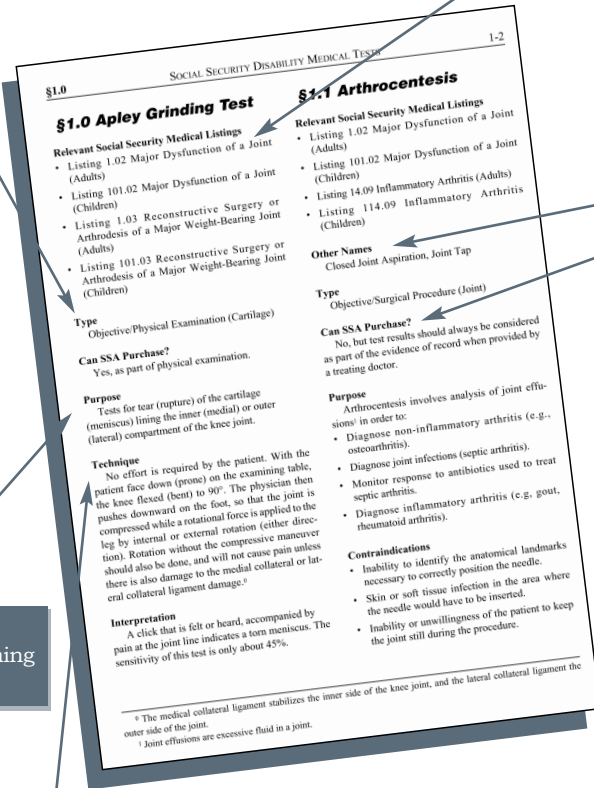
Cross-references to SSA's Blue Book Listing of Impairments save you time. The Blue Book is included in *Medical Test's* Appendix 4.

Alternate test names confuse even physicians, so their inclusion here makes identification easier for everyone.

Can SSA Purchase? Invasiveness, expense and unavailability limit the tests SSA will provide.

Purpose provides the indications for performing the test.

Technique helps you make sure that the test was performed properly.



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Tests, Weber Tuning Fork Test

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Interpretation discusses the meaning of normal and abnormal test results.

About the Author

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During the last eight years of that period, he was the Chief Medical Consultant. In that capacity he hired, trained, supervised, and evaluated the work of both medical doctors (M.D.'s) and clinical psychologists (Ph.D.'s) in the medical determination of mental disability claims.

Dr. Morton also supervised medical disability determinations of physical disorders, and personally made more than 50,000 determinations of both physical and mental disorders in both adults and children in every specialty of medicine pertaining to disability.

Dr. Morton writes extensively on Social Security disability, and has authored books for Nolo, West, and Fine Books.

About the Book and CD

Social Security Disability Medical Tests contains 1,350 letterized pages in two sturdy 3-ring binders. 1,100 pages are devoted to 558 medical tests; the remaining 250 pages set forth medical abbreviations and terms, normal values for tests, treadmill stress protocols, and the SSA's Listing of Impairments.

The free, full-text CD has every word linked and is boolean searchable. No software installation is required, and no software guide need be studied – use is 100% intuitive.

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PCG and Pulse Tracings, Pregnancy-Associated Plasma Protein A, Radionuclide Angiography, Reactive Hyperemia-Peripheral Arterial Tonometry, Regodenoson Stress Radionuclide Imaging, Seismocardiography - Exercise, Spiral CT Scanning (Heart & Aorta), ST Segment Depression/Heart Rate Hysteresis, Systolic Time Intervals, Treadmill Stress Testing

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Gastric Saline Load Test, Gastroesophageal Reflux Scan, Gastrointestinal Bleed Localization Study, Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Ultrasonography, Gastrointestinal Series, Hollander Test, IV Secretin Gastrin Levels, Liver Biopsy, Liver and Spleen Scan, MRI of Abdomen, Meckel's Diverticulum Scan, Murphy's Sign for Cholecystitis, Obturator Sign, Occult Blood Test - Stool, Oral Cholecystography, Paracentesis

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Here is authoritative and detailed guidance from a former SSA Chief Medical Consultant who has

personally made more than 50,000 disability

determinations. Dr. David Morton's *Social Security Disability Medical Tests*

answers the following questions for nearly every test you will encounter:

- How should the test have been performed?
- What do the test results mean?
- What are normal findings? Abnormal findings?
- Can SSA purchase the test?
- What percent of abnormal patients have normal test results?
- What are the relevant social security medical listings?
- How does a typical test report read?

The book is written in plain English. Real-life examples and explanatory drawings accompany many tests. Medical terms are explained as they occur in the text. 734 medical abbreviations are defined. Also provided are 83 normal laboratory test values and eight different treadmill stress test protocols.



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