

FROM THE JOURNALS**Dilip Bearely MD**

The following articles should be of interest to hospitalists:

Do hospitalists affect clinical outcomes and efficiency for patients with acute upper gastrointestinal hemorrhage?

Go, Jorge T. et al

Journal of Hospital Medicine, Volume 5, Number 3, March 10, 2010; published online March 16, 2010

The relationship between chest tube size and clinical outcome in pleural effusion.

Rahman, Najib M. et al., *Chest*, March 2010; 137:536-543

Late admission to the ICU in patients with community-acquired pneumonia is associated with higher mortality

Restrepo, Marcos I. et al., *Chest*, March 2010; 137: 552-557

Comparison of dopamine and norepinephrine in the treatment of shock

De Backer, Daniel et al., *NEJM*, Volume 362, Number 9, March 4, 2010, pages 779-789

Management of varices and variceal hemorrhage in cirrhosis

Garcia-Tsao, G. and J. Bosch, *NEJM*, Volume 362, Number 9, March 4, 2010, pages 823-832

ID CORNER**William Salzer MD****VERTEBRAL OSTEOMYELITIS**

A nice review on the diagnosis and therapy of vertebral osteomyelitis.

Zimmerli, W., *Vertebral Osteomyelitis*, *NEJM* 2010; 362:1022-1029

<http://content.nejm.org/cgi/reprint/362/11/1022.pdf>