

**FROM THE JOURNALS****Robert Folzenlogen MD**

The following articles should be of interest to Hospitalists:

**Acute Asthma in Adults: A Review**

Rodrigo, GJ et al., CHEST 2004; 125:1081

**Renal Failure in Cirrhosis**

Gines, P and RW Schrier, NEJM 2009; 361:1279

**Dilated Cardiomyopathy: A Review**

Luk, A. et al., J Clin Pathol 2009; 62: 219

**Clinical Advances in the Diagnosis and Therapy of Interstitial Lung Disease**

King, TE Jr., Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2005; 172:268

**New Serological Markers in Inflammatory Bowel Disease are associated with Complicated Disease Behaviour**

Ferrante, M et al., GUT 2007; 56:1394



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**ID CORNER****William Salzer MD****NEW CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE GUIDELINES**

SHEA and IDSA have updated their guidelines on Clostridium difficile, addressing epidemiology, diagnosis, infection control and treatment, including management of patients with relapses.

Cohen, SH et al., Clinical practice guidelines for Clostridium difficile infection in adults: 2010 update by the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA) and the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA), Infection Control Epidemiology 2010; 31:431-455

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