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# List of E-Journals on HSLS Home Page

by Nancy Tannery

A major goal of the HSLS is to deliver full text journal articles directly to the researcher's or clinician's desktop. A list of health-science-related journal titles currently available electronically may be found on the HSLS web site at http://www.hsls.pitt.edu. This list is growing quickly, so be sure to check for updates often.

HSLS licenses access to online journals from several different sources. HSL Online provides access to almost 200 full text electronic journals through Journals@Ovid and the Ovid Biomedical Collections. The full text articles of these different journals are integrated with several bibliographic databases - Medline, CINAHL, and PsycINFO. Start a search in one of these bibliographic databases and link seamlessly to the full text article from the citation. The journals also link to each other through their references. References in one article, for example, can link to another full text article in a different journal so that related information can be located with a click

of the mouse. It is also possible to view individual journals and page through the journal much like you would the print counterpart. Although most searches start in one of the bibliographic databases, users may search the journal collections separately. Every word in every article is searchable. The Ovid journal titles require an HSL Online password.

The Health Sciences Library System also provides access to electronic journals not available through the Ovid collections. Some titles link directly to the journal's web site such as the *Journal of Biological Chemistry, Nucleic Acid Research* and the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*. Other electronic journals are available through publisher collections. For example, the journal *Molecular Genetics and Metabolism* is available through IDEAL, a journal collection from Academic Press. These journal titles require that the user be at a computer connected to the

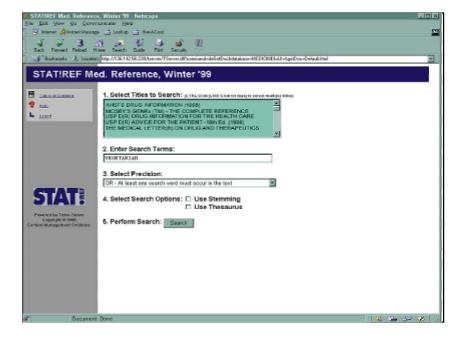
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# STAT! REF ADDS WEB-BASED TEXTBOOKS TO HSL ONLINE

by Charles B. Wessel

The Health Sciences Library System is pleased to announce the availability of Stat!Ref through HSL Online. Stat!Ref contains the full text and tables of 31 Web-based medical textbooks, combined with powerful indexing tools, and search and retrieval software. This new collection delivers instant, cross-searchable electronic access to information needed for decision support and education. Stat!Ref contains books for a variety of specialties, making it ideal for health care providers, instructors, students, and researchers. A complete list of Stat!Ref titles and the useful features of the database can be found on page 3.

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# What's New on HSL Online!

What's New on HSL Online!
is an informal demonstration of
recent electronic additions to
HSL Online. These new electronic
resources include:

STAT!REF

EVIDENCE-BASED MEDICINE REVIEWS

ELECTRONIC JOURNAL COLLECTION

Demonstrations will be held in Falk Library, Conference Room B from noon-1:00 PM on the following dates:

> Thursday, April 8 Thursday, April 22 Monday, May 3 Thursday, May 20 Wednesday, June 2 Tuesday, June 15

Please stop by to keep updated on the newest electronic resources on HSL Online.

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# PARTNERS IN INFORMATION ACCESS: AN UPDATE

by Charles B. Wessel

A *Partners* in Information Access contract was recently awarded to the HSLS by the Middle Atlantic Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. HSLS librarians are developing a series of programs to fulfill the goals of the 18-month contract, which include providing education and training to Pennsylvania public health professionals. These training sessions focus on: increasing awareness of relevant national, state and local public health information resources; accessing and searching the Internet; MEDLINE/PubMed instruction; as well as using LOANSOME DOC, to access the journal collection of HSLS. HSLS public health *Partners* include the Allegheny County Health Department, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Pennsylvania Public Health Association, the Pennsylvania Association of School Nurses and Practitioners, and the Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh.

As part of the contract, specialized training is underway for the Allegheny County Health Department that will focus on the Internet, Web skills and searching MEDLINE using the PubMed interface http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed/. Later this year, training will be offered on TOXNET http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/, a Webbased database of toxicology and hazardous chemical resources.

A training course also will be offered to the Pennsylvania Association of School Nurses and Practitioners at their annual meeting in State College, Pennsylvania on April 16-17, 1999. HSLS librarians will exhibit and demonstrate various Internet information tools at the meeting.

In addition, a *Partners* workshop is being designed for presentation during the Pennsylvania Public Health Association annual meeting in Pittsburgh, October 1999

For a calendar of events and information on these programs visit the HSLS *Partners* in Information Access web site at http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/outreach/partners/partners.html.

# LIST OF E-JOURNALS.....continued from page 1

University of Pittsburgh or UPMC Health System network. HSLS is continuing to add publisher collections as well as individual titles.

As is the case with most issues involving the World Wide Web, access to electronic journals is rapidly changing and sometimes confusing. Some journals publishers provide full access to their journals online without charge for an unspecified period of time. Some electronic journals can only be purchased through collections or in conjunction with the print version. Still other scientific and medical journals are not yet available electronically. Librarians consider potential usage, cost, licensing, copyright and archiving issues when subscribing to an electronic journal. The HSLS is working toward providing electronic access to a full range of health science titles to our users at the University of Pittsburgh and the UPMC Health System.

### STAT!REF.....continued from page 1

Stat!Ref offers unique features to assist searchers including:

- --SmartMatch® where search results are ranked in order of relevancy
- --A precision bar that simplifies complex searches
- --Linked material located throughout, connecting related information such as tables, figures or other sections of text
- --A thesaurus that searches for synonyms of words in a search statement (i.e.heartattack and myocardial infarction) --Multiple-title searches that retrieve information from multiple books simultaneously.

Stat!Ref is available through HSL Online at http://www.online.hsls.pitt.edu. However, this resource is only available from computers within the IP address ranges of the University of Pittsburgh or UPMC Health System. If your Internet connection is being made through any other ISP (Internet Service Provider), Stat!Ref will not be accessible.

For more information about Stat!Ref ask at either the Falk Library (648-8796) or WPIC Library Reference desk (624-1919), or send email to medlibq+@pitt.edu.

#### HSL Online Password Required May 1

Beginning on May 1, the Windows version of HSL Online will no longer be available on the public terminals in the Falk, WPIC and Nursing Libraries. Only the Web-based versions (Web Gateway and Ovid Java) of HSL Online will continue to be accessible in the Libraries at http:// www.online.hsls.pitt.edu. The Web versions offer advantages over the Windows and Telnet versions of HSL Online. The Web allows full access to Journals@Ovid and Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews, and new enhancements will be supported only on the Web. Library users are urged to take advantage of the additional features that are provided exclusively in the Web environment

Use of the Web versions of HSL Online requires a password, which can be obtained by completing an HSL Online User Account Request Form, available at the Falk and WPIC Library Reference Desks. A Pitt or UPMC ID is required to complete the form.

#### STAT! REF WER TEXTROOKS

STAT! REF provides full text access to the following list of 31 medical reference books at your desktop through HSL Online at http://www.online.hsls.pitt.edu.

#### Drug & Toxicology

AHFS Drug Information (1998)

Basic & Clinical Pharmacology - 7th Ed. (1997)

Ellenhorn's Medical Toxicology - 2nd Ed. (1997)

Handbook of Adverse Drug Interactions (1998)

The Medical Letter® on Drugs and Therapeutics (1988-1998)

Mosby's GENRx<sup>TM</sup> -The Complete Reference for Generic and Brand Drugs 9th Ed. (1999)

USP DI® Drug Information for the Health Care Professional, 18th Ed. (1998) USP DI® Advice for the Patient, 18th Ed. (1998)

#### Cardiology

Current Diagnosis & Treatment in Cardiology - 1st Ed. (1995)

#### Critical Care

Current Critical Care Diagnosis & Treatment - 1st Ed. (1994)

#### **Emergency Medicine**

Current Emergency Diagnosis & Treatment - 4th Ed. (1992)

#### **Family Medicine**

Family Medicine Principles and Practice - 5th Ed. (1998)

#### Gastroenterology

Current Diagnosis & Treatment in Gastroenterology - 1st Ed. (1996)

#### Geriatrics

Geriatric Medicine - 3rd Ed. (1997)

#### **Immunology**

Medical Immunology - 9th Ed. (1997)

#### Medicine

Current Medical Diagnosis & Treatment - 38th Ed. (1999)

Griffith's 5 Minute Clinical Consult - 7th Ed. (1999)

The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy - 16th Ed. (1992)

Stein Internal Medicine - 4th Ed. (1994)

#### **Obstetrics & Gynecology**

Current OB & GYN Diagnosis & Treatment - 8th Ed. (1994)

#### Williams Obstetrics - 20th Ed. (1997)

#### **Orthopedics**

Current Diagnosis & Treatment in Orthopedics - 1st Ed. (1995)

#### **Pediatrics**

Current Pediatric Diagnosis & Treatment - 14th Ed. (1999)

Rudolph's Pediatrics - 20th Ed. (1996)

#### **Physiology**

Review of Medical Physiology - 18th Ed. (1997)

#### **Psychiatry**

Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV, 1994)

Review of General Psychiatry - 4th Ed. (1995)

Treatments of Psychiatric Disorders - 2nd Ed. (TPD-II, 1995)

#### **Ready Reference**

Dictionary of Medical Acronyms & Abbreviations - 3rd Ed. (1998)

#### Surgery

Current Surgical Diagnosis & Treatment - 10th Ed. (1994)

#### Urology

Smith's General Urology - 14th Ed. (1995)

# HSLS STAFF NEWS HSLS STAFF NEWS HSLS STAFF

#### **Publishing**

**Phillip Bergen**, HSLS Informatics Trainee, "An assessment of collections at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Health Sciences Libraries: drug resistance," *Bulletin of the Medical Library Association* 87 (1): 37-42, January 1999.

**Linda Hartman**, Falk Reference Librarian, contributing author to "Information Professionals in the Driver's Seat - Part 1," *Library Hi Tech News* 156: 1-13, October 1998.

**Brian Lauer**, former Falk Reference Department staff member; **Alice Kuller**, Falk Reference Librarian; and **Charles B. Wessel**, Coordinator of Affiliated Hospital Services published "MEDLINE and the new health care consumer," *Journal of the American Pharmaceutical Association* 53 (1): 92, January/February 1999.

#### Staff News

Marvin Brown, a former student assistant in the Computer and Media Center, rejoins the HSLS as the new CMC Specialist. His position extends the availability of computer assistance in the Computer and Media Center during the afternoon and early evening. Marvin is pursuing a BS in Computer Science at Pitt.

**Susan Burke**, a familiar face at the Falk Library Circulation Desk, has transferred to the Interlibrary Loan Department. Her new duties include all aspects of processing interlibrary loan requests. Sue has worked in the Falk Library since 1989 and holds a BA in Journalism and Communications from Pitt.

Barbara L. Folb, MLS, MM, is the new Outreach/Reference Librarian in the Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic Library. Barb will provide leadership in the development, implementation and administration of WPIC Library outreach services, in addition to providing reference services. Barb has worked in the Falk Library, the Hunt Library at Carnegie Mellon University, and most recently as the Associate Corporate Librarian at Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield. She holds degrees from Carnegie Mellon University (BFA), Youngstown State University (MM) and University of Pittsburgh (MLS).

Malgorzata Fort joins the HSLS as the Cataloging and Database Management Librarian. Gosia, (her preferred nickname), holds an MLS and a Ph.D. in Humanities, both from the University of Lodz, Poland, where she taught bibliography and cataloging. Some of her new responsibilities include cataloging, managing access to electronic resources, and the maintenance of authority records. Gosia came to Pittsburgh in 1993 as a Kosciuszko Fellow to work on the Polish Alliance cataloging project in the University Library System, and she has cataloged juvenile and foreign language materials at Hillman Library as well.

Alice Kuller, Falk Reference Librarian, has been named "Librarian of the Year" by the Pittsburgh Regional Chapter of the Medical Library Association. Alice co-chaired the local arrangements committee for the Mid-Atlantic and Pittsburgh Regional Chapters 1998 Joint Meeting in October. She also serves as chair of the Bylaws Committee for the Pittsburgh Chapter.

**Leah McCord** has been promoted to Library Specialist II in the Falk Library Circulation Department. Her new duties include stack management, supervision of shelvers, circulation and courier activities. Leah formerly worked in photocopy services.

Heather Midkiff is the new Library Specialist IV in the Reference Department. Her duties include staffing the Falk Library Reference Desk, updating the Web site, working on special projects, and teaching Falk Library classes. Heather earned a BA in American History from Washington and Lee University and an M.Ed. from the University of Virginia. She worked most recently as the Coordinator of Student Activities at Carnegie Mellon University, and is currently enrolled in the Master of Information Science (MIS) program at the University of Pittsburgh.

**John Nguyen** has been promoted to Systems Analyst I in the Computer and Media Center. John has worked in various capacities in the CMC since 1995.

Farewell and Best Wishes to departing HSLS Staff members: Michelle Gillie, Interlibrary Loan; Brian Lauer, Reference Department; Dennis Miller, Acquisitions Department; and Crysta Weiland, Photocopy Services.

#### WPIC LIBRARY RENOVATIONS

by Barbara Epstein

The Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic Library will undergo a major space reconfiguration project beginning in March 1999 and concluding by December 1999. Approximately 1800 square feet on the library's upper floor will be remodeled. As a result, most of the library's books, bound and unbound journals, and reference materials will be relocated at some point in the project.

The circulating book collection will be consolidated to eliminate duplicate copies, and materials on peripheral topics. Most of these materials are little used, and available in other University libraries.

Although some of the library's square footage will be lost and the current library space reconfigured, a reduction in seating capacity is not expected. Existing carrels and tables will be relocated.

To provide additional stack space to accommodate the journal collection, the PC Lab will be permanently closed on Monday, March 8, 1999. There will continue to be public computers to access Pittcat and HSL Online databases and journals, but there will not be computers for office work, email or general Internet access. WPIC users are welcome to use the computer lab in Falk Library. Faculty and students with University of Pittsburgh ID cards may also use other computer labs on campus.

During the renovation period, all pre-1975 journals will be in temporary storage for approximately six months. Articles from these journals in storage will be available via interlibrary loan at no charge to faculty, staff and students. (Generally there is a \$5 charge for interlibrary loans). Requestors should, however, plan for at least a sevento ten-day delay in getting these materials from other libraries. This is a temporary inconvenience; pending final space planning, it is expected that there will be room for all journal holdings in the library.

There may also be times when some books and/or journals will be temporarily unavailable. Library staff will try to notify library users as far in advance as possible. Every effort will be made to maintain the integrity of the collection and the high level of service currently enjoyed by users of the WPIC Library.

For additional information about this project, or to discuss specific concerns, please contact Barbara Epstein, Associate Director for Administrative Services, Health Sciences Library System (648-7850; bepstein+@pitt.edu) or Deborah Silverman, Assistant Director for Resource Management (648-2868; debs+@pitt.edu).

#### Computer and Media Center

by Frances Yarger

Beginning with the donation of audiovisual equipment in memory of Pharmacology Professor Paul L. Mclain in the early 1980's, audiovisual resources became integral to the mission of the Health Sciences Library System (HSLS). Located in the Falk Library, the modest *Learning Resource Center (LRC)* expanded as new advances in computer-based health care education became increasingly available to the health sciences population. As a result of the computer revolution of the late 1980's, and in order to reflect advances in computer technology, the LRC changed its name to the *Microcomputer and Media Center (MMC)*. The Microcomputer and Media Center (MMC) has now expanded once again to become the *Computer and Media Center (CMC)*.

This name change embodies the renewed commitment to enhance both the computer and media-based technological abilities of the HSLS. Two Windows-based classrooms are available, on a reservation basis, to provide hands-on computer and software instruction. Over eighty computers are available for HSLS database research, as well as access to CAI (computer aided instruction) software, productivity applications, and Internet tools. Video resources include digitized video, image and text scanning. The software, in unison with the *CMC* hardware and video resources, provide patrons with the ability to research and create intricate research exhibits, multimedia presentations and Web pages in one location.

In addition to the computer-based collection, the *CMC* is developing Falk Library's audio and visual holdings that feature videocassettes, slides, audiocassettes, and other media. Recent video acquisitions include an eleven tape series entitled "Neurology for the Non-Neurologist" and the monthly Network for Continuing Medical Education (NCME) video. Popular audio resources include the Audio-Digest series that distributes continuing medical education symposia to health care professionals. Current Audio-Digest subscriptions include the topics of Emergency Medicine, Internal Medicine, Gastroenterology, General Surgery, and Urology. CMC audiovisual materials are useful for continuing medical education credit, instructional purposes, or information review. For further information contact CMC Supervisor Fran Yarger at yarger+@pitt.edu or 648-8955.

#### New Computer And Media Center Hours

 Monday-Thursday
 7:15 am -11:45 pm

 Friday
 7:15 am - 9:45 pm

 Saturday
 9:30 am - 5:45 pm

 Sunday
 noon -11:45 pm

#### VOYAGER: PITTCAT'S NEW LOOK

by Deb Silverman

Pittcat, the Library's online catalog, will be getting a new look this summer. The University of Pittsburgh Libraries are preparing to replace the NOTIS system, which currently drives Pittcat, with the Voyager system. Voyager is part of a new generation of integrated library systems that are far more flexible and powerful than earlier systems. The benefits of its open architecture will be readily apparent to users. The new Pittcat will be accessible from the World Wide Web and its new features include: more sophisticated search techniques; seamless links between the library catalog and other Web-based resources, such as electronic journals and databases; selfinitiated circulation functions; and an online media booking module. Perhaps most important is Voyager's adaptability to the rapidly changing library technology environment, which will allow us to continue to move forward, integrating new services and existing technology with little difficulty. The National Library of Medicine recently implemented the Voyager system.

HSLS, like the other Pitt libraries, is committed to making the transition from NOTIS to Voyager as smooth as possible. While some disruptions during the migration period are inevitable, they should be minimal. You can expect the first changes to Pittcat in May and June of this year, and full functionality by the beginning of the Fall Term.

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# CHANGE IN VENDACARD SALE PROCEDURES AND COST OF PHOTOCOPIES

Effective April 1, 1999,
purchase of Vendacards with University or UPMC
account numbers will be available ONLY at the
Copy Cat store on the second floor of Scaife Hall.
The Copy Cat is open 8:30 AM – 7 PM
Monday through Friday. Due to increasing costs for
maintenance and supplies, Vendacard prices will be
somewhat higher. Cards will be available for
\$10 (6.3cents/copy--increase of 0.25 cents/copy),
\$20 (5.5 cents/copy--increase of 0.4 cents/copy) or
\$50 (5 cents/copy--increase of 1 cent/copy), payable
by account number, credit card, check, or cash.

Library users may continue to purchase Vendacards for photocopying or networked printing in Falk, WPIC or Nursing Libraries via the cash vending machines in each location. The cost for cards purchased in the vending machines will remain the same.