Point-of-care Resources Trial

The Creighton University Health Sciences Library has subscribed to the point-of-care database UpToDate for some time. Due to significant increases in the cost of point-of-care software we want to determine the optimal clinical reference tool for both content and cost. Therefore, the library conducted a trial in April and May to compare UpToDate with two similar products: DynaMed, and BMJ Best Practice with Isabel, a differential diagnosis program. Faculty, residents and medical students provided feedback based on concurrent searches of all three sources.

Based on survey data, along with the librarians’ assessments, we will work with the School of Medicine to make a decision about which resource to license.

Need to Reach a Worldwide Audience? Deposit Your Work in the CDR!

The CDR (Creighton Digital Repository) is an excellent way to share your work with people around the world. Just consider the top four theses in the CDR as an example. Not surprisingly, two theses on the development of nanoparticulate drug delivery systems have been downloaded numerous times (2,066 times), but would you expect that two theses in the Liberal Studies program would receive slightly more interest (2,187 downloads)? In the Pharmaceutical Science program, Jatin Khurana’s thesis has been downloaded 1,620 times and Ankita Nagvekar’s thesis 446 times. In the Liberal Studies program John Dechant’s thesis on “Baseball Statistics in the Steroids Era” has been downloaded 1,307 times and Erin Swanson’s thesis “Generation Text” 880 times.

Other eclectic examples of files that have generated significant interest include: a handout on strategies for database searching (976 views/downloads), the September 2007 issue of the Nebraska Dental Association Newsletter (521 views) and a jpeg image of the platysma muscle from an old textbook (748 views). Of course, not all items in the CDR are this popular. Perhaps someday they will be discovered. The opportunity, however, for widespread dissemination now exists, due to the development of the CDR.

If you have publications or research data that you want to share with the rest of the world, contact Richard Jizba, Head of Reference Services (402-280-5142 or rjizba@creighton.edu).
USP Resources Available Online


- **United States Pharmacopeia National Formulary (USP-NF)**
  - More than 4,500 monographs containing legally recognized U.S. public standards for medicines, dosage forms, compounded preparations, excipients, medical devices, and dietary supplements, used for establishing identity, strength, quality, purity, packaging and labeling.

- **USP Dictionary**
  - Cross-reference between U.S. Adopted Names (USANs) and International Nonproprietary Names (INNs) for generic drugs; includes molecular structures, Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) registry numbers, brand names, drug name pronunciation guide, and more.

- **Food Chemicals Codex (FCC)**
  - More than 1,100 internationally recognized monograph standards and tests for the purity and quality of food ingredients, such as preservatives, flavorings, colorants, and nutrients.

Links to these resources are found on the Health Sciences Library’s Pharmacy resources page (hsilguides.creighton.edu). Print copies are available in the Health Sciences Library, the Drug Information and Evidence-Based Practice Center, and the Pharmacy Skills Lab in Brandeis Hall.

New Health Information Literacy Tool Available at the Library

The Creighton University Health Sciences Library has been awarded a one-year license for the English/Spanish software package, Health Literacy Advisor (HLA) from Health Literacy Innovations, Inc. The nation’s first interactive health literacy tool, HLA is described on the Health Literacy Innovations website as a “health literacy checker” that “streamlines the review and simplification process by allowing users to assess the health of their documents and then fix it using plain language principles.”

A simple add-in to Microsoft Word, HLA reviews documents for readability level and stamps the results in the footer. The software will scan the document and highlight words that compromise the readability. It will then make recommendations for improvement. Spanish documents can also be checked.

The National Network of Libraries of Medicine /Midcontinental Region awarded licenses to regional libraries to improve health information literacy. The Health Literacy Advisor program at the Health Sciences Library will run for one year from the end of April 2012 through the end of April 2013. This project has been funded in whole or in part with Federal funds from the Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Library of Medicine, under Contract No. HHS-N-276-2011-00006-C with the University of Utah Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library.

For more information about how to have your documents checked, contact Judi Bergjord, Outreach Librarian at the Health Sciences Library (402-280-5199 or bergjord@creighton.edu).
Using the New VPN? Access Resources from the HSL Website

Creighton University is implementing a new Virtual Private Network (VPN) client. The old VPN software will no longer function after June 1, 2012. Creighton VPN users are asked to install the new version from the following link:
http://www.creighton.edu/doit/vpn/index.php

The new VPN client functions quite differently than the old VPN client. What does this mean for Health Sciences Library VPN users? For best results in accessing library resources when using the new VPN client, access the resources from the Health Sciences Library's website (hsl.creighton.edu).

If you are a VPN user and have questions regarding accessing Health Sciences Library resources, contact Shawn Ammon, Senior Library Specialist (ammons@creighton.edu or 402-280-5145) or the Health Sciences Library Service Desk (refdesk@creighton.edu or 402-280-5138).

Video Options Available Through the Creighton Libraries

Following are three video film services currently available to the Creighton community:

- **Academic Video Online** (licensed by Reinert Library)
- **Films on Demand** (jointly licensed by the Health Sciences Library and Reinert Alumni Library)
- **Leadership Development Channel** (licensed by Reinert Library)

**Academic Video Online** is published by Alexander Street Press. It brings together on a single cross-searchable platform a completely integrated online repository of Alexander Street Press video titles that are accessible to Creighton University. Some of the collections available in Academic Video Online include:

- Counseling and Therapy in Video
- Ethnic Studies Video Online
- Health and Healthcare in Video
- Humanities Video Online
- Psychology Video Online
- Science Video Online
- Women's and Gender Studies Video Online

**Films on Demand**, a resource from Films Media Group, is a leading source of high-quality video and multimedia for academic, vocational and life-skills content. Twenty-four (24) subject areas are covered in this resource, including Anthropology, Biology, Health & Medicine, and Psychology. The Health & Medicine collection is comprised of nearly 1,600 titles.

**Leadership Development Channel** is a sub-set of Books 24/7 and contains video clips on a variety of subjects. While most of the content is not health related, there are a number of excellent video clips on leadership and management that are certainly worth viewing.

All of the films and clips in these three resources are easily linked in the Learning Management System used by Creighton. These video film collections may be accessed from the Streaming Video section of the LRC Multimedia page (http://hsl.creighton.edu/lrcmultimedia) on the Health Sciences Library/Learning Resources Center website. For more information on these resources contact Diana Boone, Head of the Learning Resources Center (DianaBoone@creighton.edu or 402-280-5175) or the Health Sciences Library Service Desk (refdesk@creighton.edu or 402-280-5138).
PubMed Filters Sidebar Replaces the Limits Page

In order to provide users with a more visible and accessible way to narrow PubMed results, the Limits page has been replaced by a results filter sidebar. The filter sidebar options will work the same way as the limit selections; that is, once a filter is selected it will be activated for subsequent searches until the selection is cleared.

See the image below for a brief introduction to the new PubMed results filter sidebar:

1. Click a filter to narrow your search results
2. A Filters activated message will display on the results page
3. To turn off filters, click either the Clear all link to remove all the filters, the clear link next to a filter category to clear the selections within that category or the individual filter (see 1.)

Questions regarding the new PubMed results filter sidebar? Contact the Health Sciences Library Service Desk (refdesk@creighton.edu or 402-280-5138).

Health Sciences Library Staff News

Retirement

Pat Meeves, Head of Access Services, has announced her retirement from the Health Sciences Library, effective July 5th, 2012. Pat has worked at the Health Sciences Library for 25 years, serving the last 17 years as Head of Access Services. While we wish Pat a wonderful retirement, we will certainly miss her and the steadying presence she provided the library.

New Staff Member

Karl Wirth is a new Library Specialist and will work with the Access Services and Reference Departments. Karl earned his Master of Information Science and Learning Technologies from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He previously worked with the Omaha Public Library.

Staff Service Milestones

Two staff members of the Health Sciences Library have reached significant service milestones this year.

- Cindy Abel, Interlibrary Loan Coordinator 30 years
- Madonna Knudson, Library Specialist 25 years

New Career Opportunity

Mark Andrews, Systems Librarian (for all three Creighton libraries), has accepted another position at Creighton. He served as Systems Librarian since 2006. Mark now serves as a System Administrator II with DoIT.

Please join us in celebrating the various milestones of these Health Sciences Library staff members.
Predatory Publishers Abuse Open Access

Open access (OA) publishing, offering scholarly articles online at no cost to the reader and without restrictions on reuse, is becoming more common. OA is generally classified as one of two types:

- Green OA is the archiving of a version of a conventionally published article, on an author’s web site, in an institutional repository like the Creighton Digital Repository, or in a general repository like PubMed Central.
- Gold OA is the publishing of an article as open access, with the author paying a production fee to the publisher. There are journals and publishers that are entirely OA, such as BioMed Central, and many publishers offer selective Gold OA publication of articles.

The growth of OA has opened a door to dishonest publishers who exploit the academic need to publish. Scholars receive solicitations for manuscripts from unfamiliar journals; their web sites may list editorial boards with familiar respected names in the field, reassuring the prospective author. Many of these journals are legitimate and academically sound. But some OA publishers are in business to make money without regard for scholarly integrity. A recent article in The Chronicle of Higher Education discussed some of the problems with these publishers:

- fees may be ambiguous or hidden; authors may receive an unexpected large bill
- members of editorial boards may be listed without their permission, or for subjects outside their expertise
- papers may be published without peer review; anyone who pays the fee will be published
- submitted manuscripts may be published without the author’s approval
- editing may fail to correct errors, or may even introduce them

None of this may be evident to the scholar wanting to publish. But Jeffrey Beall, metadata librarian at the University of Colorado at Denver, and author of the Scholarly Open Access blog, maintains Beall's List of Predatory Open-Access Publishers, which lists publishers and individual journals that appear to be predatory schemes, with annotations explaining why they are listed. Checking his blog and list before submitting a paper may save money, trouble, wasted effort and scholarly reputation.

Resources

Predatory Publishers
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Open Access: An Introduction by Keith G Jeffery, ERCIM News 64, January 2006
http://www.ercim.eu/publication/Ercim_News/enw64/jeffery.html

Open Access Overview by Peter Suber
http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/overview.htm
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- Technical Services: 402/280-5102
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**Web:**

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- http://druginfo.creighton.edu

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