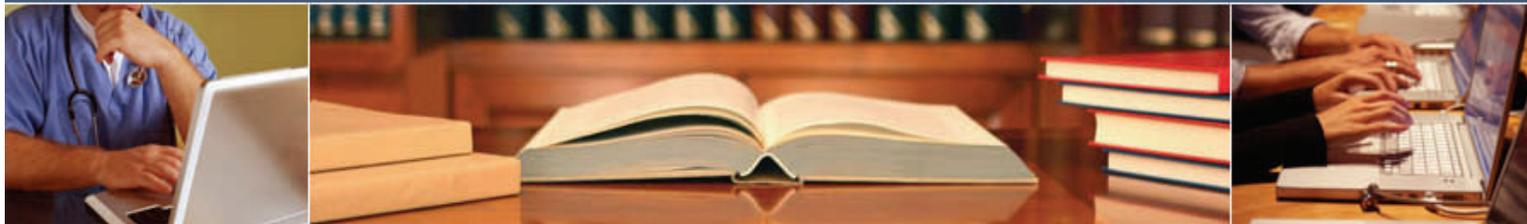


HSLs UPDATE



August 2012

Goodbye RefWorks, Hello Mendeley

Pitt's RefWorks subscription will end on September 30, 2012. Its replacement will be [Mendeley](http://www.mendeley.com) (<http://www.mendeley.com>). Mendeley may already be familiar to you as a free application on the Web, but has recently begun offering a subscription-based product to institutions as well. Mendeley offers substantially the same functionality as RefWorks plus some distinctive features of its own.



Here's what we can tell you now:

- HSLs will be supporting Mendeley users and will continue its long-time EndNote classes and EndNote support.
- You will not lose the information in your RefWorks records. You have several choices:
 - You can follow instructions for transferring them [to Mendeley](http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2936776) (<http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2936776>) or [to EndNote](http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2936834) (<http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2936834>) by September 30.
 - You can [save them](http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2936839) (<http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2936839>) by September 30 while you decide on your next reference management program.
 - You can purchase an [individual RefWorks subscription](http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2935466) (<http://pitt.libguides.com/content.php?pid=358962&sid=2935466>). After a free 30-day trial, a 12-month subscription costs \$100 and includes feature upgrades and online support.
- Like other mobile apps such as [Dropbox](http://www.dropbox.com) (<http://www.dropbox.com>) and [Evernote](http://www.evernote.com) (<http://www.evernote.com>), Mendeley has a hybrid approach. You install the Mendeley application on your desktop or laptop computer. You create your "library" (personal database or reference list). Then you back up and sync your library, PDFs, and annotations across your desktop or laptop computer, your iPhone and iPad, and the Web.
- Mendeley is very social. You can create public or private groups for sharing and collaborating.
- Mendeley does some interesting things with PDFs. From within Mendeley, you can open, annotate, and highlight PDFs and share your annotations with others. Like recent versions of EndNote, Mendeley will create new records from your PDFs. If you designate a "watch folder" and add papers to it as you work, Mendeley will automatically add them to your library.
- The one thing no reference management program can do with PDFs is to capture and import the ones attached to your RefWorks references. We realize that this may be a

substantial inconvenience for many of our patrons and are working on [ways to streamline the process](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/howdoi/article.php?id=085) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/howdoi/article.php?id=085>) of saving PDFs from RefWorks and associating them with records in a successor application.

Here's what you can do:

- Go to [Mendeley](http://www.mendeley.com) (<http://www.mendeley.com>).
- Click on the green Sign up & Download button to set up an account.
- Click on the green Download Mendeley button to download the Mendeley desktop application to your computer.
- Save your RefWorks records.
- You have until September 30 to explore Mendeley and decide whether you'd like to give it a try. [EndNote](http://www.endnote.com) (<http://www.endnote.com>) is the other HSLs-supported alternative and is available at reduced prices for those with a Pitt ID.
- When you are ready, transfer your RefWorks reference list as a single list or transfer each folder separately in order to preserve your current file structure.

Students, faculty, and staff in the health sciences schools can e-mail [Ask a Librarian](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/askalibrarian) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/askalibrarian>) for help with transitioning from RefWorks.

We will keep you posted as other developments occur.

~ Patricia Weiss

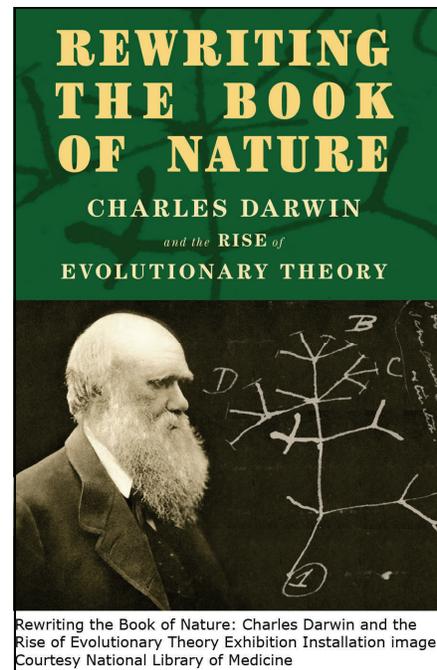
[Darwin Exhibit Coming to HSLs](#)

HSLs will host [Rewriting the Book of Nature: Charles Darwin and the Rise of Evolutionary Theory](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/darwin/travelingexhibit.html) (<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/darwin/travelingexhibit.html>), a traveling exhibit from the [National Library of Medicine](http://www.nlm.nih.gov) (<http://www.nlm.nih.gov>), from August 26 through October 6, 2012.

The exhibit was developed to mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of Charles Darwin in 1809 and the 150th anniversary of the publication of *On the Origin of Species* in 1859. It was produced by the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine and the Office of History, National Institutes of Health.

In connection with the exhibit, HSLs will host two lectures:

- On September 13 at noon in Scaife Hall, Lecture Room 5, Robert Olby, Research Professor in the Department of History & Philosophy of Science, University of Pittsburgh, will speak on "Charles Darwin's Challenge to the Skeptics." Dr. Olby will explore the manner in which Darwin prepared his case and crafted his text to meet the skeptics. This analysis will raise questions about the criteria demanded for the acceptance of evidence and prompt reflection on the present state of the subject.



- Adam Davis, lecturer in the Department of History, Duquesne University, will speak on September 27 at 6 p.m. in Scaife Hall, Lecture Room 5. Mr. Davis' teaching encompasses the history of science and the impact of scientific discoveries.

When *On the Origin of Species* appeared, Darwin was immediately seen as a proponent of a new science and a new way of thinking about the world. Radical in sweep, Darwin's idea of naturally innovating and endlessly changing webs of life undercut all previous sciences. His theory was a threat to those who relied on a given and settled order for meaning and for power. Compounding its impact was its appearance at a time when liberal reforms in Western society and technological advances provided a social and economic motor for a changed world. Now, 150 years later, Darwin's vision forms the foundation of the modern biological sciences.

Dr. Jonathon Erlen, HSLs History of Medicine librarian, observes, "More than 150 years after publication of *On the Origin of Species*, the National Library of Medicine exhibit provides an excellent opportunity to learn about how it came to be written and consider not only its immediate impact in Darwin's day but also its reverberations into our own."

*Adapted in part from *Rewriting the Book of Nature: Charles Darwin and Evolutionary Theory* (<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/darwin/evolutionarytheory.html>) [Internet]. Bethesda, MD: U.S. National Library of Medicine. 2009. [revised 1 May 2012; cited 16 July 2012].

~ Patricia Weiss

Falk Library Construction Underway

Construction on the second floor of Falk Library has begun! The three-month project will result in additional group study rooms; a new computer classroom; an open-air help desk; and office space for the staff of National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Middle Atlantic Region. The project will be completed around the beginning of October.

During construction, the CMC help desk has been relocated to the first floor Rare Book Room (across from the elevator). This is where you can check out laptops and iPad 2s. Also available in the Rare Book Room is a flatbed scanner, a Mac, and accessibility hardware. In addition to the 21 desktop computers on the first floor of the library, 12 have been installed on the second floor for your convenience.

At times during the construction, you can expect the second floor of the library to be noisy. So for the duration of the construction project, please pardon our dust as we work to improve the library!

~ Fran Yarger

Director's Reflections...Welcome to New and Returning Faculty and Students

Here we are again at the start of a new school year! We invite you to explore HSLs resources and services described in this issue and on our [Web site](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu>). Even if you think you know everything about us, you may learn something new!

Renovation of Falk Library's upper floor is underway, with completion scheduled by the beginning of October. We'll be freshly painted and re-carpeted, with new spaces for group study and collaboration. In the meantime, be sure to visit the library's main floor to see our traveling exhibit on *Charles Darwin and the Rise of Evolutionary Theory*, on loan from the National Library of Medicine.

Have you got an iPhone, iPad or Android? Then check out the new Micromedex 2.0 Drug Information App, described [in this issue](http://info.hsls.pitt.edu/updatereport/?p=5739) (<http://info.hsls.pitt.edu/updatereport/?p=5739>). You can find links to other apps on our [Mobile Apps Web page](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/clinical/mobile) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/clinical/mobile>).



Each school has a designated liaison librarian—have you met yours? You can find their names and contact information on the [Reference Services/Liaisons Web page](http://hsls.libguides.com/content.php?pid=329837&sid=2707065) (<http://hsls.libguides.com/content.php?pid=329837&sid=2707065>). Stop by, call or e-mail to introduce yourself!

Make a note to yourself to attend one of our classes this year, or learn about an HSLs service or resource. We're looking forward to "seeing" you online or in-person.

[Micromedex 2.0 Mobile Products: Drug Information App, Part 1](#)



The Micromedex 2.0 Drug Information App provides freely available, comprehensive drug information that undergoes the same unbiased editorial process as the full Micromedex 2.0 version. No account is necessary and an Internet connection is not required, so information is readily available 24/7.

Contents

The Drug Information App is a subset of the full Micromedex 2.0 site. It contains summary drug information on over 4,500 terms. New drug information content is available approximately every two weeks. Information about each drug is available in English only, and can include:

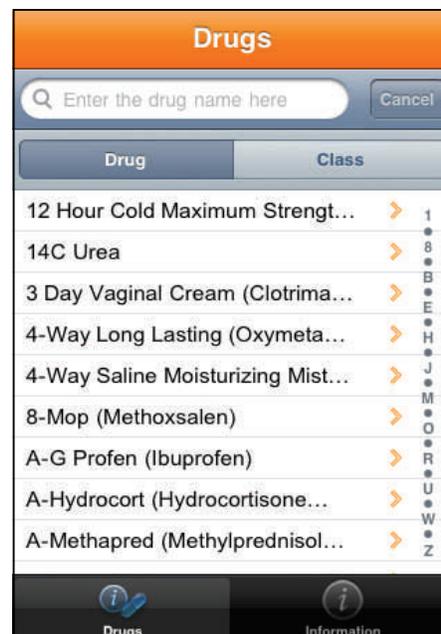
- generic names
- selected combination products
- common trade names
- therapeutic class
- black box warnings
- adult and pediatric dosages
- dose adjustments
- indications (differentiated as "FDA Labeled" and "Non-FDA Labeled")
- administration
- monitoring
- how supplied
- contraindications
- precautions
- adverse effects
- drug interactions

- pregnancy
- breast feeding
- mechanism of action
- pharmacokinetics
- toxicology

Information available in the full Micromedex 2.0 site, but not the app includes: drug IDs, drug comparisons, and drug references.

Getting Started

The Drug Information App is suitable for the iPhone, iPod touch, and iPad with iOS 3.0 or later and can be downloaded from the [Apple iTunes App Store](http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/micromedex-drug-information/id390211464?mt=8) (http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/micromedex-drug-information/id390211464?mt=8). The app is also compatible with Android devices running Android 2.2 or later and can be downloaded from the [Google Play Store](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.thomson.druginfo&hl=en) (https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.thomson.druginfo&hl=en).



To access the app, merely download it from the appropriate source. No account is necessary and an Internet connection is not necessary to use the app once it has been downloaded. But, you will need an Internet connection to update the content.

To maintain uninterrupted access, you must update the content at least once per quarter. You'll be prompted to download the updates as needed. If the app is not accessed once within a quarter, you'll have to reload the entire app.

Search Features

The Drug Information App has a streamlined, user-friendly interface. There are three basic screens:

Search Screen

There are several search options. You can search by drug name or drug class. This search option includes a convenient autocomplete feature. There is also a slider index that allows you to scan the alphabet.

Search Results Screen

The search results screen lists all drugs that contain the characters typed in the search box. You can scroll and tap on the desired drug to view the drug information.

Drug Information Screen

Select a drug to expand the sub-topic, if applicable, or to view the drug information.

Micromedex 2.0 Drug Information App Evaluation

In June 2012, three HSLs librarians evaluated the Micromedex 2.0 Drug Information App using the iPad, iPhone, Android Xoom, and an Android Smartphone. There were no problems downloading the app and it performed well on all of the devices. Overall, the app is

easy to use and provides one-stop, authoritative drug information.

For help using the app or full Micromedex 2.0 site, please contact the HSLs Main Desk at 412-648-8866 or e-mail [Ask a Librarian](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/askalibrarian) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/askalibrarian>).

Parts of this article were reprinted from [Micromedex 2.0 Drug Information iTunes Preview](http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/micromedex-drug-information/id390211464?mt=8) (<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/micromedex-drug-information/id390211464?mt=8>).

~ Jill Foust

[Michele Klein Fedyshin to Be Featured “Guest Speaker” for the HPNA Live Chat Event](#)

The Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association periodically holds nationwide Live Chat Events where members can ask questions during a 30-minute online meeting. HSLs Liaison Librarian Michele Klein Fedyshin, BSN, MSLS, RN, AHIP, will be the “Guest Speaker” at the [next event](http://www.hpna.org/DisplayPage.aspx?Title=Live%20Chat) (<http://www.hpna.org/DisplayPage.aspx?Title=Live%20Chat>), which is September 12, 2012, at 12:30 p.m. (EST). The guest speaker types answers to questions as they are posted online. Each chat event focuses on a specific topic of interest. In Michele’s case, she will be answering questions about evidence-based practice.



[Happy New Year!](#)

We are pleased to welcome new and returning faculty, staff, and students. Although the new calendar year officially begins in January, August begins the new academic year. There are a few things you should know about the library that can make this new year easier for you.

- Falk Library is located on the second floor of [Scaife Hall](http://www.tour.pitt.edu/tour-170.html) (<http://www.tour.pitt.edu/tour-170.html>).
- What are [Falk Library’s hours](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/about/hours/) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/about/hours/>)?
- An extensive, up-to-date [online library](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/>) is available to you.
- Use [remote access](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/services/remote/) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/services/remote/>) to locate library resources 24/7 when off campus.
- [Ask us a question](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/askalibrarian) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/askalibrarian>) via e-mail, phone, or chat.
- Contact your [liaison librarian](http://hsls.libguides.com/content.php?pid=329837&sid=2707065) (<http://hsls.libguides.com/content.php?pid=329837&sid=2707065>) and find out how the library can help you.
- To learn about molecular biology databases and software tools, contact the [Molecular Biology Information Service](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/molbio) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/molbio>).
- Use [PittCat](http://pittcat.hsls.pitt.edu/) (<http://pittcat.hsls.pitt.edu/>), the online catalog of the University of Pittsburgh libraries, to locate electronic and print journals and books, or audiovisual materials.
- Put your course readings, books or other materials on [reserve](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/services/reserves) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/services/reserves>).
- Are we missing something you need? If so, [recommend a resource](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/services/purchase) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/services/purchase>).
- You can borrow tablet and laptop computers as well as flash drives and headphones.
- Group study rooms with wall-mounted display screens can be [reserved](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/groupstudy/) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/groupstudy/>).

We invite you to use the library's resources and services to support your teaching, learning, and research activities. Have a great year!

~ Nancy Tannery

[The New England Journal of Medicine Celebrates 200 Years](#)



The *New England Journal of Medicine* (NEJM) is celebrating its 200th anniversary. The journal, originally delivered by horseback and known as the *New England Journal of Medicine and Surgery and the Collateral Branches of Science*, is the longest continuously published medical periodical in the world.¹

To involve NEJM readers in the celebration, an [anniversary Web site](http://nejm200.nejm.org/) (<http://nejm200.nejm.org/>) was created to highlight medical advances and classic images, and also to give readers a chance to share their medical inspirations and feedback for NEJM.

Other features of the anniversary Web site include:

- A [History of Medical Discoveries](http://nejm200.nejm.org/timeline/) (<http://nejm200.nejm.org/timeline/>) interactive timeline, marking milestones such as the discoveries of penicillin and the Salk polio vaccine.
- A documentary, [Getting Better: 200 Years of Medicine](http://nejm200.nejm.org/explore/medical-documentary-video/) (<http://nejm200.nejm.org/explore/medical-documentary-video/>), detailing the medical progress made in the last 200 years.
- [Review and Perspective articles](http://nejm200.nejm.org/explore/special-anniversary-articles/) (<http://nejm200.nejm.org/explore/special-anniversary-articles/>) from notable authors detailing advancements made in their fields since 1812. Articles available so far include: "200 Years of Cancer Research," "200 Years of Surgery," and "The Evolving Primary Care Physician."
- The ability to [Vote on the Most Important NEJM Article from 1990 to 1999](http://nejm200.nejm.org/vote/historical-image-challenge/) (<http://nejm200.nejm.org/vote/historical-image-challenge/>).

The Web site is continuously updated with new articles and reader comments. If you would like to receive notice of these updates, enter your e-mail address at the bottom of the [NEJM 200th Anniversary Web site](http://nejm200.nejm.org/) (<http://nejm200.nejm.org/>).

1. A.M. Brandt. 2012. A reader's guide to 200 years of the New England Journal of Medicine. *New England Journal of Medicine* 366 (1): 1-7. doi:10.1056/NEJMp1112812.

~ Melissa Ratajeski

[Discover Recommended Articles with search.HSL.S.MolBio & F1000](#)

[Faculty of 1000](http://f1000.com/) (<http://f1000.com/>) (F1000) is a post-publication peer review resource. Its purpose is to help researchers identify highly regarded papers through article reviews and recommendations generated by a peer-nominated "faculty" of subject-expert scientists and clinicians from around the world. Established in 2002, F1000 now has over 10,000 reviewers, including [135 affiliates](#)



(<http://f1000.com/search/faculty?query=pittsburgh>) from the University of Pittsburgh/UPMC.

The article evaluations result in a ranking system (Recommended, Must Read, or Exceptional), from which F1000 calculates the **F1000 Article Factor** (<http://f1000.com/about/whatis/factors>) (FFa). The more times an article is evaluated and the higher the rankings, the greater its FFa and therefore its rating.

F1000-evaluated articles may also be tagged with one or more of the following classifications to indicate special attributes: Changes Clinical Practice, Clinical Trial, Confirmation, Controversial, Good for Teaching, Interesting Hypothesis, New Finding, Novel Drug Target, Refutation, Review/Commentary, Systematic Review/Meta-analysis, and Technical Advance.

The HSLs Molecular Biology Information Service has integrated F1000 into the [search.HSLs.MolBio](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/molbio) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/molbio>) search engine under the Recommended Articles tab. It is accessible only on the Pitt network. The top 100 search results are listed with article title, authors, journal, rating, and category (classification). Search results may be narrowed by using the clusters on the left of the page, which filter by topic, rating, and category.

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F1000 is run by and for scientists and clinical researchers. Search.HSLs.MolBio makes it easier for Pitt researchers to use this resource to systematically organize and evaluate the scientific research literature; identify key papers in areas inside and outside of expertise; provide suggestions for journal club articles; and confirm the importance of specific papers.

For more information, see the [F1000 FAQ](http://f1000.com/about/faqs) (<http://f1000.com/about/faqs>) or contact the [HSLs Molecular Biology Information Service](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/molbio/askmolbio) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/molbio/askmolbio>).

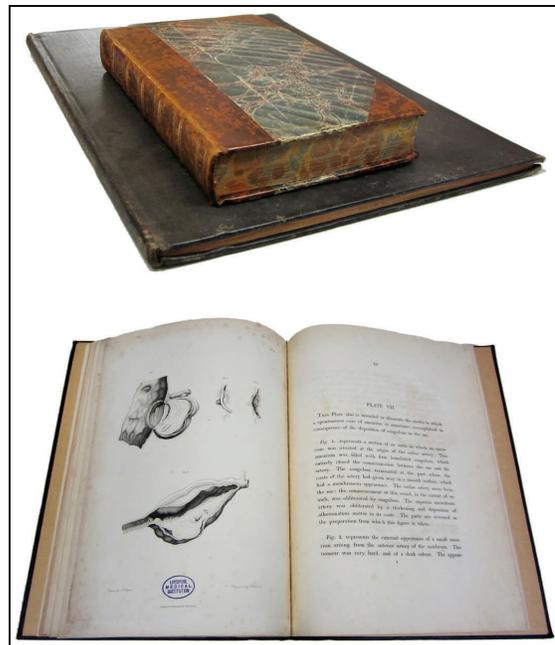
~ Carrie Iwema

Treasures from the Rare Book Room: Joseph Hodgson's *A Treatise on the Diseases of Arteries and Veins, Containing the Pathology and Treatment of Aneurisms and Wounded Arteries*

Joseph Hodgson (1788-1869) was a British physician who practiced at Birmingham General Hospital and St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London during the first half of the 19th century. He is best known for describing the aneurismal dilation of the aorta, later named after him as "Hodgson's Disease." He described this condition in his book, *A Treatise on the Diseases of Arteries and Veins*, published in London in 1815. His work was accompanied by an atlas titled *Engravings Intended to Illustrate Some of the Diseases of Arteries*. Author Leslie Morton claims these are "the best illustrations of aneurysms and of aortic valvular endocarditis."¹ The atlas includes eight plates with 23 illustrations accompanied by explanations. All illustrations were drawn by Hodgson himself and engraved by either J. Stewart or G. Shury.

Falk Library's copy is an example of a beautiful half leather and marble paper binding, with marbled edges. The accompanying volume of illustrations has a slightly less exciting cloth binding, but both are in a good condition and make a valuable contribution to the wealth of Falk Library's historical collections.

The book belonged to a noted British surgeon, Edward Robert Bickersteth, supporter of Lister's antiseptic treatment of fractures and author of "Remarks on the Antiseptic Treatment of Wounds" published in *Lancet*. His son, Robert Alexander Bickersteth, also a surgeon, presented the book to the Liverpool Medical Institution in 1923. How it wandered from Liverpool to Pittsburgh one can only guess. The book was then presented to Falk Library by the members of the Minutemen of the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in honor of Alexander Hunter Colwell, MD, former faculty member at the School of Medicine and past president of Allegheny County Medical Society.



1. Leslie T. Morton, *A Medical Bibliography*. 3rd ed. London, 1970, p.327.

~ Gosia Fort

NN/LM MAR Outreach Services Include Exhibiting at Professional Meetings

One of the many exciting roles of a regional medical library is exhibiting at national, state and local meetings and conferences. Exhibiting offers the opportunity to demonstrate National Library of Medicine (NLM) products to health professionals, consumer groups, and public, school, and health sciences librarians. It is also a great way to encourage membership and promote the services of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine.



In our first year as a regional medical library, the National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Middle Atlantic Region (NN/LM MAR) staff promoted NLM resources to over 1,000 health professionals, public health workers, community-based leaders, and librarians. We did this by exhibiting at four national and eight regional/state meetings. For instance, MAR highlighted [drug information resources](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/learn-about-drugs.html) to pharmacists at the American College of Clinical Pharmacy Annual Meeting; [emergency response tools](http://sis.nlm.nih.gov/dimrc/toolsnlmdimrc.html) at the New Jersey Environmental Health Association Meeting; and [K-12 resources](http://sis.nlm.nih.gov/outreach/k12.html) to school librarians at the New York City School Library Association Annual Conference. Staff also reached a large population of health consumers at an employee health fair in Pittsburgh.

MAR also offered [exhibit awards](http://nnlm.gov/mar/funding/exhibit_awards2012.html) to allow Network members the opportunity to exhibit at a state or local level. Public health librarians from Drexel University exhibited at the Pennsylvania Public Health Meeting in Philadelphia. Mid-Atlantic Behavioral Health received an award to exhibit and present mental health services and resources to senior citizens in Newark, Delaware.

The 2012–2013 regional medical library contract year began on May 1. So far, MAR has exhibited at the following national, regional, and state meetings:

- American Psychiatric Association
- American Diabetes Association
- National Association of Counties
- Delaware/Maryland Joint Library Association
- New Jersey Library Association
- Pennsylvania Mental Health Consumers Association
- State University of New York Library Association

Information professionals in public libraries, community colleges, and institutions offering two-year and four-year academic programs in the health sciences may visit the MAR exhibit booth at upcoming New York and Pennsylvania state library association meetings. K-12 librarians and science teachers will benefit from MAR exhibits at the New Jersey Association of School Librarians, New York City School Library System, and the New Jersey Science Convention meetings.

NN/LM MAR staff will reach out to public health workers and unaffiliated health professionals at the Migrant and Immigrant Health in Rural Pennsylvania Conference, as well as upcoming meetings of the New York Public Health Association, the Pennsylvania Public Health Association, and the New Jersey Public Health Symposium. And finally, MAR plans to exhibit to mental health professionals and consumers during the Delaware Community Mental Health Conference, Delaware Psychological Association Mixer, and the annual conferences of the Pennsylvania Mental Health Consumers and New Jersey Association of Mental Health and Addiction Agencies.

Do you belong to a professional organization that would benefit from access to free, reliable biomedical information provided by the National Library of Medicine? Do members of your organization provide patient education? If so, you can invite us to exhibit or teach a continuing education course at your next annual meeting in our four-state region of Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania. For more information, e-mail [NN/LM MAR](mailto:nnlm@pitt.edu) (nnlm@pitt.edu).

~ Renae Barger, NN/LM MAR Executive Director

[NLM's IndexCat: History of Medicine Database Expanded and Improved](#)

When initially released in 2004, [IndexCat](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/hmd/indexcat/ichome.html) (<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/hmd/indexcat/ichome.html>) was a boon to medical historians and researchers. They finally had free online access to a keyword-searchable, digitized version of the Index-Catalogue of the Library of the Surgeon General's Office, a 61-volume print series published between 1880 and 1961. The Index-Catalogue contains material dating from the 15th through the 20th centuries. Now, in a major update, IndexCat also includes the expanded digital version of *A Catalogue of Incipits of Mediaeval Scientific Writings in Latin* (eTK), and *Scientific and Medical Writings in Old and Middle English: An Electronic Reference* (eVK2).



The screenshot shows the NLM IndexCat search interface. At the top left is the NLM logo and a banner image of books with the text "IndexCat". To the right are navigation buttons: "Search", "My Documents", "Comments", "Help", and "Exit". Below this is a search bar with "Quick Search" and "Advanced Search" tabs. The search bar contains the text "Search for:" followed by an empty input field and a dropdown menu set to "within Keyword Anywhere (automatic AND)". Below the search bar is a "Collections:" section with a note: "Click the [plus icon] to browse specific collection(s)". There are four collection items listed, each with a plus icon and a help icon:

- Electronic Thorndike and Kibre (eTK for medieval Latin texts); 2...
- Electronic Voigts and Kurtz (eVK2 for medieval English texts); 2...
- Index-Catalogue of the Library of the Surgeon-General's Office. ...
- Library Catalog - LocatorPlus

In addition to the inclusion of new resources to the database, numerous improvements have been made to the user interface:

- In both the Quick and Advanced Search features, search categories have been increased to include: Date, Subject, Author, Title/Journal Title, and ID Number.
- The new search category, Keyword Anywhere, automatically uses the Boolean AND.
- Special characters used in Medieval, Old, and Middle English are available for searching in the eTK and eVK2 collections.
- The Help section provides general search tips as well as instructions on how to search unique aspects of the database.
- For quick and easy management of search results, a maximum of 100 records can now be saved from the Results Display page to the My Documents page, where users can download, print, or e-mail search results.

IndexCat has become a critical resource for research in the development of medical theories, philosophies, therapies, and other aspects of the history of medicine. To access this resource, type "indexcat" in the search.HSLs box on the [HSLs home page](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/>) or browse the [Databases A-Z list](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/resources/databases) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/resources/databases>). For help using IndexCat, contact the Main Desk at 412-648-8866 or e-mail Ask a Librarian (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/askalibrarian>).

~ Andrea Ketchum

HSLs Administrative Secretary Retires after Four Decades of Service

Mary Lou O'Shea, HSLs administrative secretary, retired at the end of June after almost 40 years of service. During her tenure, she worked under five library directors, including: Carroll F. Reynolds, Laurabelle Eakin, June Bandemer, Pat Mickelson, and Barbara Epstein.

Over the years, O'Shea witnessed a number of technological changes. One of her more notable memories was the transition from electric typewriters to computers, and the impact these changes had on her workflow. In 1973, when O'Shea began her career at HSLs, her primary office equipment was an IBM electric typewriter. Ten years later, she moved up to a Xerox Memorywriter with correctable ribbon, and eventually a computer.



Mary Lou O'Shea

The move to computerized documentation allowed her to complete job duties more quickly and efficiently. In 1973, in order to prepare 10 copies of a letter, the letter had to be typed 10 times and Liquid Paper was used to correct any mistakes. This task could potentially take most of a day to complete. With the advent of computer technology and high speed printers, producing the same letter 10 times can now be completed in a fraction of the time. She also noted that e-mail has virtually replaced the need for typewritten letters. At that time, e-mail and fax machines were still being developed for everyday use.

Budget “level sheets,” which are still used to monitor revenues and expenses, required digging through large stacks of paper in order to track a payment. One of O’Shea’s original job duties was to maintain a file of index cards on which she marked the arrival of newly purchased books and journals. Each book and journal had its own index card. The information on the index cards was then entered manually into the paper level sheets. Today, those same tasks are accomplished electronically.

O’Shea also commented on the expansion of library staff from 23 FTE in the 1970s to 53 today. This growth was due in large part to advances in technology, and the greatly expanded range of services provided by HSLs to our users.

O’Shea is looking forward to new adventures in retirement, including both domestic and international travel. She is a long-time patron of Pittsburgh CLO and the Pittsburgh Broadway Series and plans to continue attending those cultural events. Now that she’ll be at home more, she’s also thinking about getting a dog, perhaps a Boston Terrier puppy.

We wish Mary Lou the very best!

~ Jill Foust

HealthCAS Cohort-3 Visits Pitt

The third cohort of students enrolled in Pitt’s online Certificate of Advanced Study in Health Sciences Librarianship (HealthCAS), visited HSLs for an orientation to the course and the University. The students came from Illinois, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, and Virginia.

HealthCAS students, faculty, and the project team came together for a 2.5 day program in June. In the cohort model, students share professional experiences, learn from each other, and form a network of peers to turn to throughout their careers. The onsite visit gives them and the faculty the chance to connect on a more personal level. This is significant in HealthCAS as students are required to collaborate on several online group projects during the year.



Back Row (L-R): Darlene Ford, Jeff Coghill, Shannon Jones, Mariaelena De La Rosa
Front Row (L-R): Beth McGowan, Sangeeta Bhargava, Margaret Moutseous

The HealthCAS orientation included an overview of the program, the curriculum and objectives, a meeting with instructor teams, and an explanation of policy and procedures at Pitt, with an emphasis on academic integrity in writing. Reviews of good research and writing practices were also included, as well as a presentation by faculty from the Schools of Medicine and Pharmacy that introduced students to the importance of interprofessional education.

Though the schedule was full, there was also time for fun. A visit to the Nationality Rooms at the Cathedral of Learning gave the students a taste of Pitt's rich history and its international connections. On a beautiful Pittsburgh day, students "quacked" on the Just Ducky Tour, had dinner at the Hard Rock Café at Station Square, and rode the Monongahela Incline to the top of Mount Washington to enjoy the spectacular Pittsburgh skyline.



HealthCAS students, faculty, and administrators atop Mount Washington

HealthCAS is funded by a three-year grant from the [Institute of Museum and Library Services](http://www.ims.gov/) (<http://www.ims.gov/>) to Pitt's iSchool and HSLs. The grant was extended to a fourth year to include the 2012-13 academic year. The program consists of three semesters of coursework. Each semester covers one four-credit course: (1) Libraries in Health Care Environments, (2) Collections and Resources in Health Care Environments, and (3) Reference Services and Instruction in Health Care Environments. The three-credit Independent Research Project spans all three semesters. HSLs faculty librarians develop and teach the curriculum.

Further information about HealthCAS is available from the [iSchool](http://www.ischool.pitt.edu/health/) (<http://www.ischool.pitt.edu/health/>) or [HSLs](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/healthcas/) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/healthcas/>).

~ Ester Saghafi

[HSLs Staff News](#)

The HSLs Staff News section includes recent HSLs presentations, publications, staff changes, staff promotions, degrees earned, etc.

News

Sue Burke is working part-time for the National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Middle Atlantic Regional office (NN/LM MAR). In addition to her duties as document delivery specialist, Burke is providing administrative support for the NN/LM MAR staff. Burke began working at HSLs in 1989, first in the Circulation Department, and then transferred to the Document Delivery Department in 1998. She will continue to work in these departments on a part-time basis.

Barbara Epstein, HSLs director, has been re-appointed to a four-year term on the Joint Legislative Task Force of the Medical Library Association and the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries.

Jeff Husted has been promoted to HSLs Head of Collections. In this position, he is responsible for collection development of electronic and print resources, including materials selection and acquisition, analysis of usage and trends, vendor relations, serials management, and oversight of the acquisition budget. As a member of Management Council, he participates in overall library planning and management. Jeff has been at HSLs since 1997, when he earned his BS degree in biology at Pitt. He worked in various positions in Technical Services, rising through a series of promotions. In 2006, he was appointed acquisitions manager, and continued to steadily assume more responsibility in that area. He earned an MLIS from the University of Pittsburgh's School of Information Sciences in 2009, and was appointed acquisitions librarian and then collections librarian.

Tristan Lucchetti, formerly NN/LM MAR administrator, has moved into the HSLs director's office to become HSLs Business Manager. In his new position, Lucchetti will oversee the financial operations of the NN/LM MAR, and will also assume responsibility for HSLs business operations and human resource functions, including budget monitoring and planning, employment/payroll records, and travel and reimbursement requests.

Nancy Tannery, senior associate director, has been appointed a member of the National Library of Medicine's Literature Selection Technical Review Committee that recommends journals to be indexed in MEDLINE/PubMed.

Publications

Jonathon Erlen, history of medicine librarian, published "Disability studies: Disabilities abstracts" in *The Review of Disability Studies: An International Journal*, 8(2):67-68, 2012, with co-author Megan Conway.

Farewell

Ruth Deer, HSLs document delivery specialist, retired at the end of June after 12 years at Falk Library. Ruth was highly entertaining and always helpful and generous. Her festive outfits will be missed during the holidays and Steeler season. Deer looks forward to spending more time with her young grandson.

Mary Lou O'Shea, HSLs administrative secretary, retired from the University at the end of June. For a retrospective look at O'Shea's 40-year career, please see "HSLs Administrative Secretary Retires after Four Decades of Service" (<http://info.hsls.pitt.edu/updatereport/?p=5725>) in this issue.

We wish both Ruth and Mary Lou a wonderful, healthy retirement!



Mary Lou O'Shea and Ruth Deer

HSLs Schedule of Classes September–October 2012

HSLs offers classes on database searching, software applications such as Adobe Photoshop, bibliographic management, molecular biology and genetics, and library orientations. For more information, visit the online [course descriptions](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/class/desc) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/class/desc>).

Classes are held on the first floor of Falk Library (200 Scaife Hall) in Classroom 1 and Conference Room B, and on the second floor in Classroom 2. All classes are open to faculty, staff and students of the schools of the health sciences at the University of Pittsburgh. They are also open to UPMC residents and fellows.

No registration is required for any of these classes. Seating for classes is first-come, first-served, until the class is full. Classes marked with an asterisk (*) qualify for American Medical Association Category 2 continuing education credit.

Class schedules are subject to change. Please consult the online [class calendar](http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/calendar) (<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/calendar>) for the most current information.

Faculty, staff and students of the schools of the health sciences will need a valid Pitt ID or e-mail account to attend these classes. UPMC residents/fellows will need to show their UPMC IDs.

HSLs ORIENTATION

Introduction to HSLs Resources and Services at Falk Library

(Meet inside entrance to the Library)

Monday, September 10 9-10 a.m.

Also offered upon request to groups or individuals. Call 412-648-8866.

SEARCHING DATABASES

Painless PubMed* (Falk Library Classroom 1)

Wednesday, September 5 11 a.m.-noon

Thursday, September 13 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 18 noon-1 p.m.

Friday, September 28 10-11 a.m.

Friday, October 5 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 10 9-10 a.m.

Monday, October 15 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Friday, October 26 1-2 p.m.

Testing Beyond the Laboratory: Finding Testing Instruments Used in Research and Clinical Settings* (Falk Library Classroom 1)

Thursday, September 20 11 a.m.-noon

MOLECULAR BIOLOGY AND GENETICS RESOURCES

Locating Gene/Protein Information* (Falk Library Classroom 2)

Wednesday, October 3 1-3 p.m.

Genome Browsers* (Falk Library Classroom 2)
Wednesday, October 10 1-3 p.m.

Microarray Data Analysis* (Falk Library Classroom 2)
Wednesday, October 17 1-3 p.m.

Gene Regulation Research* (Falk Library Classroom 2)
Wednesday, October 24 1-3 p.m.

Introduction to CLC Main Workbench* (Falk Library Classroom 2)
Wednesday, October 31 1-3 p.m.

SOFTWARE TRAINING

EndNote Basics

Tuesday, September 11 11 a.m.-1 p.m. (Falk Library Conference Room B)
Wednesday, October 24 9:30-11:30 a.m. (Falk Library Classroom 2)

PowerPoint for Beginners (Falk Library Classroom 1)
Wednesday, September 19 noon-2 p.m.

The WOW Factor: PowerPoint for Posters (Falk Library Classroom 2)
Tuesday, October 16 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Adobe Photoshop

Tuesday, September 25 noon-2 p.m. (Falk Library Classroom 1)
Tuesday, October 30 12:30-2:30 p.m. (Falk Library Classroom 2)

CUSTOMIZED CLASSES

[Customized classes](http://hsls.libguides.com/content.php?pid=329837&sid=2708887) (<http://hsls.libguides.com/content.php?pid=329837&sid=2708887>)
can be developed for your department, course, or other group.