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The LSUHSC-NO Library has many <u>electronic resources</u> (*link removed*) including full-text, online books. The books can be accessed from anywhere using your LSUHSC UserID and password or your name, library barcode and PIN. The 6 primary online book services are <u>LWW Books @ Ovid</u> (*link removed*), McGraw-Hill's Access Medicine (*link removed*), MDConsult (*link removed*), Mosby's Nursing Consult (*link removed*), MDConsult (*link removed*), and Thieme Electronic Library (*link removed*). You can use the Library's <u>Electronic Resources</u> (*link removed*) page to link to each of these services, or you can link out directly from a title via our library catalog, **INNOPAC** (*link removed*). Each product updates titles with new editions as they are released in electronic format. New titles are added, and sometimes titles are removed. We strive to keep our catalog as up-to-date as possible, and make updates on a weekly basis.

Currently we have access to over 70 Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins titles via Ovid including Devita's Cancer: Principles & Practice of Oncology, Carpenito's Nursing Diagnosis, and Field's Virology. We have access to over 40 McGraw-Hill titles via Access Medicine (link removed) including classic works such as Harrison's Online, Hurst's the Heart, and Schwartz Surgery Online, as well as Basic & Clinical Biostatistics, Jawetz, Melnick, & Adelberg's Medical Microbiology, and Vander's Renal Physiology. MDConsult (link removed) includes over 50 titles including Cecil's Textbook of Medicine, Middleton's Allergy, Nelson Textbook of Pediatrics, and Cummings' Otolaryngology: Head & Neck Surgery. Through STAT!Ref (link removed) we have access to over 80 titles including Control of Communicable Diseases Manual, Davis's Drug Guide for Nurses, The Red Book, and USPDI - v.1 & 2. The Thieme Electronic Library (link removed) provides us with access to over 30 color atlases and texts including Clinical Tests for the Musculoskeletal System, Color Atlas of Biochemistry, and MRI Parameters & Positioning.

There are also a few sources of free online books such as <u>NCBI's</u> <u>Bookshelf</u> (*link removed*), the <u>National Academies Press</u> (*link removed*) collection, and <u>FreeBooks4Doctors</u> (*link removed*). Select books are added to our catalog with links to the online source.

Please feel free to send comments and recommendations regarding online books to Collection Development Librarian, <u>Marlene Bishop</u> (*link removed*). For Reference assistance, contact the <u>Reference</u> (*link* *removed)* Department at the Isché Library (504) 568-6102 / (504) 568-8339, or at the Dental Library (link removed) (225) 334-5459.

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Going Electronic Expanded Access to Electronic Journals

Today most libraries are debating whether or not to receive all journals electronically, how many to keep in print format, and where their patrons' needs fit in this situation. However, many libraries would not have dreamed of the problems the LSUHSC Library faced over the past year: inability to access the collection for many months, patrons scattered throughout the state, and the ongoing trials of erratic mail delivery. To help alleviate many of these problems, the Library has radically expanded its offering of online journals.

The benefits of providing increased electronic access to journals are numerous. Those patrons throughout the state who may be unable to visit the library can quickly and easily find many of the articles they need. Also, this has alleviated the problem of slow and erratic delivery of print issues. The Library's increased online journal coverage also greatly complements the myriad <u>full-text databases</u> (*link removed*) available to our patrons.

The Library chose to subscribe to the electronic version in lieu of the print edition for most titles. We also purchased the archives to numerous journals, in some cases now providing coverage for the entire run of a title (like *Lancet* from 1823 to the present). The following are but a few highlights of our increased online offerings over the past year:

• <u>ScienceDirect</u> (*link removed*): patrons now have access to 2,077 journals, many with complete coverage to the title's start

• Science (link removed): full-text available from 1997

• Blackwell's <u>Synergy</u> (*link removed*): increased access to back issues of all subscribed journals

 Titles from Nature, Thieme, the American Diabetes Association, Sage, and other publishers join those available from Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Wiley, and Springer

• Added online access to 38 titles in the *Annual Reviews* series covering topics in biomedical, physical, and social sciences which were provided by the company for 2006-2007 as a gift.

There are a number of ways to access the Library's online journals. One method is to look up the title you need in the Library's catalog, <u>Innopac</u> (*link removed*). If an online version is available, you will see a link with the statement "Access this title from..." that includes the source of the electronic coverage as well as the years you can access. You can also browse and search online journals directly through <u>JSTOR</u> (*link removed*), <u>ScienceDirect</u> (*link removed*), <u>MDConsult</u> (*link removed*), <u>Synergy</u> (*link removed*), and <u>Mosby's Nursing Consult</u> (*link removed*).

The approaching new year brings with it the need for the Library to renew its subscriptions. As more publishers offer their titles online, our journal collection continues to transform. We plan to supplement our electronic-only subscriptions with more titles available online only in 2007. However, this does not mean our print titles will disappear completely. Some publishers offer online access only when bundled with a print subscription, and others do not offer their journals online. Further, we are committed to changing to electronic subscriptions only when the online version is at minimum comparable to the print editions and the publishers safeguard continued access to back issues.

We hope that we do not face a situation that initiated many of the changes in our journal collection this past year, but we do strive to provide the greatest amount of resources to all of our patrons. Increasing the ability of our users to access titles wherever they are through subscriptions to online journals is but one part of our continued service to the LSUHSC community.

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<u>EMBASE.com</u> (*link removed*) is the latest addition to the Library's collection of <u>electronic resources</u> (*link removed*) for your use in obtaining literature to support your teaching, research and clinical activities. EMBASE is a comprehensive and international bibliographic database renowned for its extensive coverage of the drug and biomedical literature.

EMBASE.com combines the EMBASE database with <u>MEDLINE</u> (link removed). It contains over 11 million EMBASE records from 1974 to the present with over 7 million unique MEDLINE records taken from more than 7,000 journals. For controlled language searching, EMBASE has created its own thesaurus, <u>EMTREE</u> (link removed), however all <u>MeSH</u> (link removed) descriptors in the MEDLINE portion of the database have been converted to EMTREE descriptors. Searching of the entire database can be done using either controlled vocabulary, MeSH or EMTREE, or by using common language which will be searched as well as converted to controlled vocabulary.

EMBASE is the online version of the venerable Excerpta Medica, an indexing and abstracting publication that sprang up just after World War II in the Netherlands. EMBASE and Excerpta Medica have long touted their better coverage of the pharmacological literature since they emphasize the European-published journals containing data on drugs not yet approved or being tested in the United States.

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Sunday <u>hours</u> (*link removed*) have returned. The John P. Isché Library is open 7 days a week once again.

ExamMaster (*link removed*) is an online resource which provides access to medical exam and preparation review resources. It was purchased by the Libraries in August.

<u>ProteinLounge</u> (*link removed*) provides access to system biology databases and research tools. It was purchased with the assistance of the Library's <u>SCAMeL consortia</u> (*link removed*) in September.

What's <u>New</u> (*link removed*) in the Library? Check out our <u>New</u> (*link removed*) page and be the first one to know.

The Isché Library experienced a water leak in late August. Because of the leak approximately 25,000 items have been moved to temporary locations around the 5th floor. The impacted titles are *Journal of Nuclear Medicine* - *Lancet* and *Radiology* - *Zentralblatt*.



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Back to the Library's Home Page (link removed) Did you know? <u>PubMed</u> (*link removed*) recently celebrated it's <u>10th anniversary</u> (*link removed*)!

New PubMed features for 2006 include a redesigned limits page and AbstractPlus, which provides the first 5 related articles on your search in addition to an the article's abstract and full-text holdings.

Unlimited Limits

Enhancements to PubMed Limits include links to full text, easier limitations by date (i.e. "published in the last five years"), the ability to choose one or more selections under categories such as Languages, and a search builder for authors and journals. Simply click on the Limits tab to check it out!

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Detailed information is also available (link removed).

Abstracts and more

Another improvement you may have noticed is **AbstractPlus**, which not only provides the articles abstract & full text holdings, but list the titles, which are also links, for the first five related articles for your search - saving you time and patience!

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You've come a long way, baby.



Finding the AbstractPlus view is easy - simply select "AbstractPlus" from the Display menu.

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Other improvements abound

You may have noticed a couple more changes in PubMed. More features include a separate tab for Review articles, <u>RSS feeds</u> (*link removed*), and the ability to save searches.*





*Users must create a free <u>myNCBI</u> (*link removed*) profile to access the Save Search feature. More information is <u>available</u> (*link removed*).

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Kathryn E. Kerdolff, MLIS, AHIP, Reference Librarian at the John P. Isché Library, was renewed into the Academy of Health Information Professionals at the Distinguished level.

Hanna Kwasik, MLIS, AHIP, Head Cataloger, was promoted to Assistant Librarian/Assistant Professor September 1st.

Wilba Swearingen, MA, MLS, AHIP, Director of Libraries, renewed into the Academy of Health Information Professionals at the Distinguished level.

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Archived copies of the newsletter may be found via the LSUHSC Library's homepage at <u>http://www.lsuhsc.edu/no/library/</u> (link removed).

Additionally, the LSUHSC Dental Library publishes its own newsletter, the *Library Explorer*. Copies are archived via the <u>LSUHSC Dental</u> <u>Library homepage</u> (*link removed*) under *Library Explorer*.

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