Director’s Desk

January 2007 ushered in the nearly all-electronic era for Himmelfarb Library journal collections. With the exception of 142 titles still available in the print browsing collection on the first floor of the Library, all other journal titles are now available exclusively in electronic format. While available nearly anytime and anyplace, electronic journals present their own unique set of challenges.

- How do I determine if Himmelfarb owns a title (Go to: E-Journals Page to locate titles.)
- How do I receive automatic updates? (Go to: /tutorials/content_delivery_faq.pdf to learn about content delivery.)
- How do I login from off-campus? (Go to: /services/access.cfm for off-campus access instructions.)

To celebrate the change to electronic journal format and to help patrons answer questions about using electronic journals, Himmelfarb Library hosted "electronic journals month" in February 2007. Lunch-time sessions covering the A,B,C's of e-journals, interlinking between articles, databases and full-text linking, and desktop content delivery were held. Attendance was high but not everyone with an interest in e-journals had a chance to come. Please feel free to contact your Himmelfarb Library Departmental Liaison listed below to schedule an "insider's guide to e-journals" session if you were unable to attend any of the programs during e-journals month. We especially look forward to working with faculty over the summer on e-journals issues as well as placing reserves, scheduling orientations, and ordering textbooks for the fall semester. Best wishes for a pleasant and productive summer!

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Anne Linton, Director, Library Services
Library Access Policy

Beginning on February 28, Himmelfarb Library closed to the public. This closure is for an indefinite period of time and affects all individuals who are not affiliated with GWU, and includes patrons affiliated with WRLC libraries. Himmelfarb Library remains open to GWUMC faculty, staff, and student during all regular hours, as well as to the wider GWU community from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any changes to Himmelfarb Library’s access policies will be posted immediately on our website.

Individuals who cannot access Himmelfarb Library may want to explore the freely available medical information resources which are listed in Himmelfarb Library's Internet Resources database (/eresources/inetres.cfm), and may wish to contact explore other DC-area libraries (/otherlibs.cfm). We advise that all users check each library’s access policies carefully before planning a trip. For questions about Library access, contact Anne Linton (Director, Library Services) at (202) 994-1826.
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Summer & Fall 2007 Reserves Requests

Faculty Members - don't forget to submit your course reserve material requests for the Summer 2007 session! Submit them as soon as possible to ensure that all materials for your course(s) will be available to students at the start of classes. Materials are processed on a first come - first served basis.

Now is also a good time to start getting ready for your Fall 2007 courses. Beat the last minute rush! The early submission is Friday, August 10 2007. Once again, materials are processed on a first come - first served basis, so get your requests in early to ensure they'll be available to your students when classes start!

To submit requests use the "new hardcopy request" form (for print and audiovisual materials) or the "new Blackboard request" form (for Blackboard e-reserve materials). These forms are fast, easy to use and available 24 hours a day! Think you might to get copyright permission for articles you've used before? Himmelfarb Library can help! Visit our "Copyright Permissions for Course Reserves" page at /services/reserves/clearance.cfm or call us for more details.

For more information about placing materials on course reserve, and to access the hard copy and Blackboard forms, visit the Reserves Services home page (/services/reserves/). If you have questions, please contact Hasna Ross (Reserves Specialist - mlbsr@gwumc.edu, 994-1827) or Leah Pellegrino, MLS (Head, Cataloging, Reserves & Document Delivery - mlblcp@gwumc.edu, 994-3685).
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Clinical Evidence, a popular decision-support tool at GWUMC, has been substantially improved. Clinical Evidence is now available on a new interface and can be accessed on its own website at www.clinicalevidence.com. The new interface offers better access to the information, making it easier to assess therapies and move between brief and detailed information. Additionally, Himmelfarb Library's new site license for Clinical Evidence permits unlimited use and unlimited users, so this information tool will always be available for use.
Clinical Evidence continues to harness evidence-based medicine with the goal of providing the "best available evidence from systematic reviews, RCTs, and observational studies where appropriate" as well as noting where no good evidence exists. Clinical Evidence offers systematic reviews, focusing on conditions commonly seen in patient care. Clinical Evidence analyzes the evidence related to treatment decisions, and organizes possible treatments on a scale from 'Beneficial' to 'Likely to be Ineffective or Harmful.' The evidence that supports those ratings is briefly described, and fully linked so you can consult the original sources if needed. Each review is also available in a printable format and as a PDF.

Clinical Evidence also offers Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM) tools and training modules. This includes statistical methods such as for calculating risk and adjusting for baseline risk; an EBM glossary and common abbreviations; interactive EBM training modules (free registration required); and links to various EBM resources.

How to access Clinical Evidence:

From on-campus locations (including Ross Hall, MFA, and 6th Floor GW Hospital): access directly at www.clinicalevidence.com or use the links on the Library's website. Clinical Evidence is linked from the E-Databases/MEDLINE page under Evidence-Based Medicine. From off-campus locations (including floors 1-5 GW Hospital): access Clinical Evidence using ALADIN or VPN. For detailed information on off-campus access, please consult the Off-Campus Access Instructions at /services/access.cfm
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Board Review Resources

As you prepare to study for board exams, the Himmelfarb Library has a variety of resources to help you study.

The library owns several audio or software programs to help you review and test your knowledge. These programs include the web-based Exam Master software program (reviews content for USMLE steps one through three and the PANCE exam), Gold Standards Step 1 and Step 2 CDs, Emory University's Internal Medicine Review audio tapes, and Eurekanet's Audio Study Tapes. All of our electronic resources are available for use in the Bloedorn Technology Center on the third floor of the library, and the audiotapes may be checked out for use outside of the library as well.

The Himmelfarb Library also has an extensive collection of print review books for all three steps of the Board exams. Many of the review books are part of our reserve collection and circulate for seven day periods. The selection of print review materials is varied, ranging from broad overviews of topics (step 1, step 2, step 3) to books on specific topics (biochemistry, pathology, pharmacology, pediatrics, emergency medicine, obstetrics/gynecology and more). All of our board review materials are included in the library's catalog, as well as on our Board Review Resources web pages (/portals/medicinehs/rockboards.cfm).
# Health Observances -- May/June 2007

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| American Stroke Month  | American Heart Association  
[www.americanheart.org](http://www.americanheart.org)  |
| Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month  | Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America  
[www.aafa.org](http://www.aafa.org)  |
| Better Sleep Month  | Better Sleep Council  
[www.bettersleep.org](http://www.bettersleep.org)  |
| Clean Air Month  | American Lung Association  
[www.lungusa.org](http://www.lungusa.org)  |
| Hepatitis Awareness Month  | Hepatitis Foundation International  
[www.hepfi.org](http://www.hepfi.org)  |
| Lyme Disease Awareness Month  | Lyme Disease Foundation  
[www.lyme.org](http://www.lyme.org)  |
| Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month  | American Academy of Dermatology  
[www.aad.org](http://www.aad.org)  |
| Mental Health Month  | Mental Health America  
[www.nmha.org](http://www.nmha.org)  |
| Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Awareness Month  | International MCS Awareness  
[www.nettally.com/prusty/mcs.htm](http://www.nettally.com/prusty/mcs.htm)  |
| National Bike Month  | League of American Bicyclists  
[www.bikeleague.org/programs/bikemonth](http://www.bikeleague.org/programs/bikemonth)  |
| National Celiac Disease Awareness Month  | American Celiac Disease Alliance  
[americaneliac.org](http://americaneliac.org)  |
| National High Blood Pressure Education Month  | National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Health Information Center  
| National Neurofibromatosis Month  | Children's Tumor Foundation  |
| National Osteoporosis Awareness and Prevention Month  |  |
| National Osteoporosis Foundation  
www.nof.org |
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| National Physical Fitness and Sports Month  
President’s Council on Physical Fitness and Sports  
www.fitness.gov |
| National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month  
Advocates for Youth  
www.advocatesforyouth.org |
| Sturge-Weber Awareness Month  
The Sturge-Weber Foundation  
www.sturge-weber.com |
| Tuberous Sclerosis Awareness Month  
Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance  
www.tsalliance.org |
| Ultraviolet Awareness Month  
Prevent Blindness America  
www.preventblindness.org |

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| Fireworks Safety Month  
Prevent Blindness America  
www.preventblindness.org |
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| Home Safety Month  
Home Safety Council  
www.homesafetycouncil.org/homesafetymonth |
| Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month  
Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, Inc.  
www.myasthenia.org |
| National Aphasia Awareness Month  
National Aphasia Association  
www.aphasia.org |
| National Scleroderma Awareness Month  
Scleroderma Foundation  
www.scleroderma.org |
| Vision Research Month  
Prevent Blindness America  
www.preventblindness.org |

Source: 2007 National Health Observances, National Health Information Center, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC.  
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Savvy Searcher -- Web of Science

Academic institutions require analysis of their publication output for tenure and accreditiation. When you are asked to compile and analyze productivity, the citation report from Web of Science is a valuable tool.

- Citation Report can show citation and publication trends for authors, journals, institutions, even papers on a subject.
- Citation report includes graphical displays of the number of papers and citations in each year, and summary data on the average citations per paper.
- For each paper in the analysis, it displays the total citations to date, the average number of citations per year, and the year-by-year citation count.
- Any results list (up to 10,000 records) from a General Search can be used to create a Citation Report.

How do you find the Citation Report? Here's an example of citation and publication trends for an author:

1. From the Himmelfarb Library e-Databases page, select the the ISI Web of Science database /eresources/edatabase.cfm
2. Use the author finder or conduct a general search by author name. NOTE: The author finder allows a combination search of author name and institutional affiliation
3. From the page with the result set, click on "citation report"
4. The citation report gives two charts: the number of published items per year and the number of citations per year. For a more accurate count of citations, there is a limit to "view without self-citations".

For Example:
Using the author finder, you can search for Katz RJ*. Next, limit your search to George Washington University. Web of Science indicates there are 95 results found. From the result set page, go ahead and click on "citation report". A new page opens with graphs displaying the number of published items in each year (for the past 20 years) and the number of citations per year. In addition to the charts, detailed analysis - by year - is offered of references and citations. Additionally, limits are available. This is helpful if you would like to view the number of citations without self-citations.
Faculty Publications

The George Washington University Medical Center
Compiled by the Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library
from MEDLINE and other sources through April 2007


studies.” Epidemiology 17(6): S208-S208.


Fritsch, R. C. (2007). “Surviving Unspeakable trauma: numbing the inner life.” Psychiatry:
Interpersonal and Biological Processes 69(4): 302-305.


against cardiac dilatation and dysfunction after myocardial infarction.” Hypertension 48(4): 763-763.


