



Life Sciences Databases on ISI Web of Knowledge

With the addition of BIOSIS Previews and Zoological Record, ISI Web of Knowledge (WOK) offers the most comprehensive coverage of Life Sciences literature on a single integrated environment.

BIOSIS Previews is a major database that includes all biological and biomedical areas while Zoological Record covers all aspects of zoology.

A very attractive feature on WOK is **CrossSearch** where you can search BIOSIS, Zoological Record, Science Citation Index Expanded, ISI proceedings and Current Contents Connect all at the same time.

From a BIOSIS record, you can easily cross over to Science Citation Index to get the article's citations details or the journal ranking. Similarly, from a Science Citation Index record you can get relevant Taxonomic Data by clicking on BIOSIS. Moving from database to database is just a click away!



To access these databases, click on 'E-Resources' on the library portal, select 'Databases', then either browse for the database name or search by keyword. Alternatively, click on Web of Science under Major Databases.

Kan Sok Cheng - Science Library

Thank you for your kind assistance...Your professional attitude to go beyond your normal call of duty is truly commendable!

*Dr Koh Hong Yi
External Member*



Photocopy & Printing Services in the NUS Libraries

Photocopying



With effect from December 2004, the photocopying services in the NUS Libraries have been awarded to a new vendor, Seng City Trading. Library users would have noticed that the machines provided are digital copiers which give clear copies. You can do double-sided copying on all the photocopiers. Waste paper is also collected for recycling. Hence enabling you to play a part in conserving the environment.

Pay for photocopying with a Cashcard and charges are 3 cents for A4 and 6 cents for A3.

Other services provided by Seng City Trading:

- ❖ Sale and topping up of Cashcards
- ❖ Colour copying in Central Library, Hon Sui Sen Memorial Library and Medical Library
- ❖ Printing from Microforms in Central Library

Printing

Printing from e-resources in the NUS Libraries is now done via the campus network. In order to provide an integrated service, the NUS Libraries requested the Student Union (NUSSU) to extend their printing contract for the Student Computer Cluster to printing from library e-resources PCs.

Campus Supplies is the vendor for network printing in Central Library and Chinese Library. The printers, including a colour laser printer, are located at the InfoCommons on Level 4 in Central Library.

Seng City Trading is the vendor for network printing in C J Koh Law Library, Hon Sui Sen Memorial Library, Medical Library and Science Library.

Vimala Nambiar - Central Library

Engineering Village 2

Engineering Village 2 (EV2) contains three index databases: Compendex, Inspec, and NTIS. They can be searched individually or together. Abstracts are usually available and some records come with a link to the full text. Records can be selected for printing, downloading or email.



The three databases allow for searching on the broadest possible range of topics within the scientific, applied science, technical and engineering disciplines and include journal articles, proceedings, unclassified government reports. Coverage for Compendex and Inspec is from 1969, and from 1889 for NTIS. The databases are updated weekly.

Apart from index databases, EV2 contains:

- ✘ **Referex** which allows searching of the table of contents of hundreds of premium engineering titles. Check LINC to see if NUS Libraries holds the title found as the full text is not available.
- ✘ **CRC ENGnetBASE** for online access to over a hundred engineering handbooks. Search using keywords and view the PDF of relevant pages from the handbooks.

EV2 provides links to some related websites like:

- ✘ IHS Standards where you can find relevant standards. Check LINC to see if we have the standard. The Central Library subscribes to British Standards, ISO & ASTM on CD-ROM which is accessible at Central Library InfoCommons.
- ✘ USPTO and Esp@cenet to retrieve full text patents from the United States of America, Europe and Patent Cooperation Treaty.
- ✘ Scirus which is a comprehensive science-specific search engine on the Internet.

EV2 also provides assistance from two groups of experts. **Ask a librarian** will help you “formulate a search in Engineering Village 2, identify and locate a source for a book or an article, or find Internet resources on a specific topic”. **Ask an Engineer** has a team that uses their “professional knowledge and experience to answer your technical questions and to point you to the appropriate companies, consultants, research institutes, Web sites, and other resources that can help you solve your problem”.

We hope you will enjoy using these resources via the Engineering Village. Access to Compendex and Inspec via ScienceDirect will be terminated shortly.

Lim-Yeo Pin Pin ~ Central Library

I want to say thank you for your patience and all the rich information you have shared...I will learn and hopefully can tap on your expertise later.

Miss Lee Yee Mei

Graduate Student, Faculty of Medicine



New Legal Databases & E-Journals

The NUS Libraries has subscribed to some new legal databases and electronic journals from **LexisNexis Butterworths Online** and **BNA International**.

Databases include *Australian Current Law*, *Halsbury's Laws of Australia* and law reports like *Australian Law Reports*, *Intellectual Property Reports*, *New South Wales Law Reports*, *Queensland Reports*, *Victorian Reports* and *Unreported Judgments*.

Electronic journals include *Australian Journal of Corporate Law*, *Insurance Law Journal*, *Journal of Contract Law*, *Torts Law Journal* and *World Telecom Law Report*.

Access them from our NUS Libraries homepage www.lib.nus.edu.sg, click on 'E-Resources' at the top menu bar to select 'Databases' or 'Ejournals'. Click on R next to the title to obtain the userid and password to access the resource.

Loh Mee Lan ~ C J Koh Law Library

Medical Librarians at EBM Workshop

Professional staff at Medical Library were privileged to have the opportunity to work with Ms Joanne Muellenbach, Director, Health Information Resource Centre of Northern Ontario, Canada, an EBM Librarian and to attend the 3rd Asia Pacific Evidence-Based Medicine Workshop and Conference held at the National University of Singapore on 5-8 January 2005. The workshop was attended mainly by medical doctors. More than 60% of the workshop participants were from Singapore while the rest were overseas participants.

Prior to the Workshop, Medical Library professional staff and two invited local hospital librarians, received coaching in EBM searching from Joanne Muellenbach at the 'Train-the-Trainers' session. Acting as 'Trainers', the librarians assisted Joanne to run the **Workshop on Advanced Literature Searches**. The librarians showed the workshop participants how to navigate the various EBM databases and to look up EBM literature using different searching techniques in different databases.

Responses from the participants at the hands-on sessions were positive and they appreciated the assistance provided by the 'Trainers'. The medical librarians not only learnt about EBM sources and retrieval strategies but also made new friends, both locally and overseas. It was a wonderful experience greatly enjoyed by the Medical Library staff!

Mercedes Cheong ~ Medical Library