

New @ the Library

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PubMed Limits tab has been redesigned.

The limits page in PubMed underwent a major redesign this month. Prior to the redesign there were a limited number of choices for the various limit options; publication types, languages, etc. The redesigning enhanced many of the existing options and added a few more.

The enhancements include three ways to search by date. It is now possible to search by published date range, articles published in the last X number of days, or articles added to PubMed in the last X number of days. The other significant improvement is the option to make multiple selections from the complete list of languages, publication types, ages, and subsets available.

The additions are the ability to search by either author or journal title and the ability to limit to free full text. Please note that the free full text mentioned is the free full text provided by the National Library of Medicine (NLM) through PubMed Central, it is not a reflection of the Pumerantz Library's journal collection.

For more information please visit PubMed's [New and Noteworthy](#) section about the limits upgrades or contact the Library's Reference Department at 909-469-5323, or email us using the [Ask a Librarian](#) form.

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New National Library of Medicine database: LactMed.

LactMed is a free peer-reviewed database included in NLM's TOXNET system of databases. It covers information on drugs and lactation and currently has over 450 drug records. The records include maternal and infant drug levels, effects on breastfeeding infants, effects on lactation, and alternate drugs to consider. To access this database please visit the library's [Electronic Resources](#) web page. Under "Article Searching and Databases", LactMed is listed in alphabetical order.

To search, type in a drug or chemical name, Chemical Abstract Service Registry Number, pharmacologic category, or subject term. Search results are displayed in relevancy order, but can be sorted by publication date, author, or title. The drug records can be printed or downloaded.

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New On-Campus electronic resource: Micromedex Healthcare Series

The library now has complimentary access to Thomson's Micromedex Healthcare Series. This resource includes clinical information about drugs, diseases, toxicology, acute care, and alternative medicine.

Remote access is not available for this database.

With the library's complimentary subscription, Western University authorized users will receive access to the following products on-campus only:

Drug Resources

DRUGDEX - Comprehensive drug details.

DRUG-REAX - Check for drug interactions.

IDENTIDEX - Identify loose tablets and capsules.

IV INDEX - Verify IV compatibility.

Index Nominum - International Drugs.

Martindale: The Complete Drug Reference - Drug information from the Royal Pharmaceutical Society.

PDR - Facts on FDA-approved drugs. POISINDEX - Identify and manage drug overdoses and toxicologic exposures.

REPRORISK - Evaluate human reproductive risks of drugs.
USP DI - Labeled and off-label drug uses.

Critical Emergency, Acute Care, and Disease Data

DISEASEDEX Emergency Medicine - Quick guidance for emergency care.
DISEASEDEX General Medicine - Look up the best treatment practices.
TOMES - Evaluate hazard exposures.
VisualDx - Visually pinpoint diseases.
Lab Advisor - Monitor drug and therapeutic levels for labs.

Alternative Medicine Information

AltMedDex - Herbs, supplements, and alternative therapies.
AltMedDex Protocols - Blend conventional and alternative medicines.
International guidance on herbs - Herbal Medicines from the Royal Pharmaceutical Press.

Also included with the Healthcare series is patient information from the CareNote System and AltCareDEX Alternative Medicine Education. The information from CareNote is available in both English and Spanish. To access this new resource, go to the library's **Electronic Resources** page from any networked computer on-campus. Under "Article Searching and Databases", Micromedex is listed in alphabetical order. Remote access is not available for Micromedex.

Important Note: The Micromedex products are intended solely for the purpose of Western University authorized users who are trained or training in the fields for which the product is being utilized. The products are not to be used for clinical purposes or emergency response purposes. For more information, please contact the library at (909) 469-5323 or email us using the **Ask a Librarian** form.