

This guide is intended to help you get started in your search for drug information at the Library of Science and Medicine (LSM). For more comprehensive information, find Research Resources, then Subject Research Guides on the Rutgers Libraries home page:

[http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/rr\\_gateway/research\\_guides/research\\_guides.shtml](http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/rr_gateway/research_guides/research_guides.shtml).

Questions relating to U.S. equivalent drugs for foreign prescriptions should be referred to your doctor or pharmacist. For further information on our resources or guidance on searching a specific topic, please consult a reference librarian.

### Find an article

**Indexes and Databases:** tell you what journal articles have been written on a subject or by a particular author and lead you to the most up-to-date research on a subject.

**Electronic Databases:** Click on “Find Articles” on the Rutgers University Libraries web page. Then select “Indexes and Databases”; all titles are accessible from on-campus computers. Rutgers current faculty, staff, and students can access these databases from off-campus; click on “Connect from Home” on the Libraries web page.

- International Pharmaceutical Abstracts
- Biosis Previews
- Medline
- PubMed
- ACCESSMedicine

Another tool for searching the drug information literature in **Google Scholar** (<http://scholar.google.com>). **Google Scholar** is a free database on the web and provides access to many full-text articles.

**Print Indexes:** at LSM are found in the Reference Section of the Library on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, shelved with the Reference Books by Call Number:

- Unlisted Drugs, **LSM REF RS1.U55**

### Journals

**LSM** carries an extensive collection of journals in pharmacy. Print journals are shelved alphabetically by title on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the library. Many pharmacy journals are available online and can be accessed through IRIS, our online catalog (<http://www.iris.rutgers.edu/iris.html>). If the journal title is not found in IRIS, then check the “A-Z list” under “electronic journal lists”

([http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/rr\\_gateway/ejournals/ejournals.shtml](http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/rr_gateway/ejournals/ejournals.shtml)).

Some important series such as Handbook of Experimental Pharmacology (**LSM REF QP905.H3**) are cataloged as books.

## Internet Sources

The following is a very selective list of Internet sources in Drug Information:

- <http://www.fda.gov/> FDA – U.S. Food & Drug Administration
- <http://www.phrma.org> Pharmaceutical Research & Manufacturers of America (PhRMA)
- [http://www.who.int/medicines/publications/pharmacopoeia/en/pharmacop\\_index.pdf](http://www.who.int/medicines/publications/pharmacopoeia/en/pharmacop_index.pdf) Index of Pharmacopoeias – 2004 edition (WHO)
- <http://www.fda.gov/cder/ob/> Approved Drug Products...Orange Book
- <http://www.healthynj.org/reference/drugs.html> HealthyNJ - Drug Information
- <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/midlineplus/druginformation.html> MedlinePlus: Drug Information

## Reference Books

Reference Books are shelved in the Reference section of the library on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and are identified by the notation LSM REF on their Call Number. Circulating books are marked Stacks in IRIS and are shelved on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Some items are noted as REF-COM and can be found on specific workstations on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, consult the Reference Librarian for more information. The following are a few of the pharmacy reference books at LSM:

### Pharmacopoeias

- British Pharmacopoeia 2007, **LSM REF RS141.3.B75 2007 V1-4**
- British Pharmacopoeia (Veterinary) 2007, **LSM REF SF915.B732 2007**
- European Pharmacopoeia, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, **LSM REF Workstation B**
- Japanese Pharmacopoeia 14<sup>th</sup> edition in English, **LSM REF RS141.7.N5513 2001**
- Pharmacopoeia of the People's Republic of China, 2000 edition in English, **LSM REF RS141.64.042 2000 V1-2**
- United States Pharmacopoeia – National Formulary, **LSM RESERVE RS141.2.P51**

### Drug Names and Properties

- Merck Index, 13 edition, **LSM RESERVE RS356.M524 2001** and also online, <http://www.TheMerckIndex.cambridgesoft.com>
- USP Dictionary of USAN and International Drug Names, **LSM REF RS55.U54**
- Physicians' Desk Reference, **LSM RESERVE RS75.P5**
- Facts & Comparisons 4.0, **Electronic Database** accessible from Indexes and Databases page ([http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/indexes/search\\_guides/facts-comparisons.shtml](http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/indexes/search_guides/facts-comparisons.shtml) )

Note: For LSM Reserve and Reference books supporting the "Drug Information and Literature Evaluation" course, see <http://www.rci.rutgers.edu/~piermatt/>