



Wolters Kluwer's New Books@Ovid Platform Delivers a Superior E-Book User Experience

New Search, Browse Functionality; Workflow Integration Tool --a Virtual Reference on Every Researcher's Desktop

New York, NY (September 9, 2004) – Ovid Technologies, part of Wolters Kluwer Health, an internationally recognized leader of electronic medical, scientific, and social sciences information solutions, today announced major enhancements to its electronic books platform - Books@Ovid. Books@Ovid allows researchers, clinicians, students, and information managers to quickly and effectively find answers to important questions. The new intuitive search and browse features—such as natural language search capability, relevance ranking, and back-of-the-book index browsing—help to maximize research precision and speed, saving valuable time.

"Quick access to a trusted, comprehensive information resource is essential for researchers and professionals alike," said Gary Foster, President and CEO of Ovid. "Books@Ovid further advances and integrates research, enabling the user to instantly obtain only the most relevant book chapters, articles, and abstracts as well as reference links from a vast array of highly respected reference texts, journals and databases. Today, Books@Ovid content supports primary and specialty medicine, as well as nursing and pharmacy, and is positioned to support expanded titles and subjects to meet the diverse content needs of our customers," added Foster.

Books@Ovid - which includes the world's largest collection of core clinical texts - transforms research as the user links between chapters, topics and referenced web sites, and browses the tables of contents. Whether the user is seeking synoptic content or in-depth research on a topic, Books@Ovid delivers the most relevant and complete search results in an intuitive, user-friendly interface. Books@Ovid is now fully integrated with Journals@Ovid and Ovid bibliographic databases, thereby giving users access to search across the entire Ovid content repository and access to the full range of Ovid tools including ask-a-librarian and personal accounts, as well as Ovid's robust linking to full text journals, bibliographic records and external web resources.

In response to customer demand, Ovid now delivers a complete back-of-the-book index that provides links to the page where the indexed concept is described, thereby maximizing the accuracy and speed of retrieval. Other new navigation features include subject, as well as title browsing and a fully expandable table of contents. The Books@Ovid platform offers 100% searching capability, including many user-friendly search tools:

- Single repository searching of books with databases and journals
- Natural language searching to locate complex clinical concepts in a single step, ranked in relevance order
- Heading and chapter titles searching
- Plus, specialized index searching of access points such as caption and reference text

Ovid's customized development process for Books@Ovid ensures that the best features of both the print and electronic versions are incorporated into every title, while leveraging the full potential of Ovid's linking. Books@Ovid offers the most extensive, respected and specialized collection of clinical references and has over 6,400 users worldwide.

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