



# Inside The Library

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### Library Hours

Monday - Thursday  
8:30AM - 9:00PM

Friday  
8:30AM - 7:00PM

Saturday  
10:00AM - 5:00PM

Sunday  
11:00AM - 5:00pm

## Who's Using the Scientific Library?

Written by Dr. Lucy Anderson



Dr. Lucy Anderson and Larry Claggett

The scientific literature flows bumptiously past us, in myriad fast-moving streams from all directions, none with a pace or a clarity that permits ready filtration. Yet, the goodies in these non-stopping currents must somehow be netted. Enter, a Stream Master: the Scientific Library. In my 28 years here, I have often pursued several diverse projects simultaneously - finish the old stuff, even while developing something new. For each topic, the literature must be captured systematically. The Scientific Library makes this feasible. Earlier, it was: go to the library, take the journals on my list to a carrel, leaf through, mark the articles to copy. For years, the ever-willing Larry Claggett made the job go faster, by doing the actual copying. (In those days, the library was often jammed, with lines for the copiers!) I loved those quiet hours of scholarly mining. The Scientific Library made the process efficient: a well-chosen journal selection, almost every title I needed; and a fastidiously kept collection, with no missing issues. Darlene's speed and accuracy in re-shelving was matched only by her cheerfulness. Of the many small libraries I have used, none other has been so effective at providing adequate journal selection, intact collection, and pleasant, knowledgeable staff. These days, all is revealed on-line; the Scientific Library again makes efficient usage possible, with clear, organized web sites and access to voluminous collections.

Also I have been grateful for occasions when I needed materials or information in a hurry, e.g. for an imminent study section. Whoever I found in the Library responded immediately to my breathless needs, and found what was required. In addition, the Scientific Library presents many unique programs and offerings that contribute greatly to campus morale. I have attended and enjoyed some of these occasionally and would have been to more if time had permitted.

Scientific Library, and your exceptional staff, I will miss you greatly in my upcoming retirement. Let's call it *au revoir*. I will be in from time to time.

**NCI-Frederick, Scientific Library, Building 549**  
**Main Phone Number: 301-846-1093 ~ Circulation: x 5848 ~ Reference: x 1682**  
**On the web at: [www-library.ncifcrf.gov](http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov)**

## Free Training Classes When and Where You Need Them

The Library's fall training schedule has been announced! We will be offering INTRODUCTION TO ENDNOTE, INTERMEDIATE ENDNOTE, BIODBNET, OVERVIEW OF CHEMICAL RESOURCES, KEEPING CURRENT WITH LITERATURE, and more. Brief descriptions of each class, along with scheduled dates and times can be found at <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/libclass.aspx>. For more information about any of these training sessions, please contact Marci Brandenburg at x5846 or [brandenburgm@mail.nih.gov](mailto:brandenburgm@mail.nih.gov).

We also offer assistance with other resources. Call on us if you need help improving your search results or organizing your citations. We can also schedule group sessions. Visit our list of classes at <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/libclass.aspx> and request a session. We can tailor any of our classes to meet your needs! In addition, if there are any classes you would like to see offered in the future, please let us know!

## CHI Spotlight

We have added 5 new cookbooks to the **Center for Health Information (CHI)** collection. Now available: *Veggie Burgers Every Which Way*; *Eat & Beat Diabetes*; *Debbie Macomber's Cedar Cove Cookbook*; *The Market Fresh Cookbook*; *Taste of Home Backyard Grilling*. In addition, our popular and delicious Farmers Market recipes are available on the web at <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/chi/chirecipes.aspx>.

Looking for Scientific Library Events?

Go to the Library's Homepage at

<http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov>

and look under the **News and Events** column

(the right side column) for upcoming events.

## Library Orientations

Upcoming Library Orientations will be held on the following dates and times:

Wednesday, September 1, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 13, 2:30 p.m.

The 60-minute orientations, which are held in the Library's Technology Training Lab in Building 549, require no registration.

We encourage all new (and not-so-new) employees to attend a SCIENTIFIC LIBRARY ORIENTATION to learn about the many services and resources offered by the Library. If you are unable to attend these sessions, please call x5846, or email [brandenburgm@mail.nih.gov](mailto:brandenburgm@mail.nih.gov), to schedule an alternate session.

## Featured Websites

### HHS Consumer Focused Health Care Website

<http://www.HealthCare.gov>

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has unveiled a new online tool that will help consumers take control of their health care by connecting them to information and resources for accessing quality, affordable health care coverage. Called for by the **Affordable Care Act**, it is the first central database of health coverage options, combining information about public programs, from Medicare to the new Pre-Existing Conditions Insurance Plan, with information from more than 1,000 private insurance plans.

### Neuroscience Information Network (NIF)

<http://www.neuinfo.org>

NIF is an inventory of web-based neuroscience resources, including data, materials, and tools. An initiative of the NIH Blueprint for Neuroscience Research, NIF "advances neuroscience research by enabling discovery and access to public research data and tools worldwide through an open source, networked environment." Designed to serve the biomedical research community, the NIF website offers a registry of over 2,500 resources, a web index and literature archive, and more.

## Another Option for Book Club Discussion

Are you not able to make it to the **Reading Diversions Book Club** meetings? If so, you can join in an online discussion on our blog, now available at <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/blog> or by following the link from the Library's homepage. There, you can read interesting information about the books read by the group and share your opinions. The blog is only available on the NCI-Frederick campus, so, your opinions stay within our community. If you choose to comment on one of the books or to reply to someone else's comment, a login is required. Registration is fast and easy, and instructions are included by following the link at the top of the blog page. You will find specific information about the books we will be reading on the group's website at <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/bookclub.aspx>. We hope to see you at one of our meetings or in cyberspace!

## Journal Subscription Review Success

The 2011 Journal Subscription Review has been completed. Annually, the Library reviews the current journal collection to assess the relevance of each journal subscription in light of current research at NCI-Frederick. Feedback is requested in response to the list of additions and deletions which is posted on the Library's website. We appreciate those who take the time to review the subscription list and the decisions that are made for the upcoming year. Thank you!

## Date Set for 11th Annual Book and Media Swap

When it comes to books, the NCI-Frederick community reads! From best sellers to cookbooks, from classics to children's books – you're sure to find everything under the sun at the NCI-Scientific Library's **11th Annual Book and Media Swap**. This event is coordinated in part as a celebration of October as National Medical Librarians month. The swap will begin November 3, 2010 in the Lobby of the Building 549 Conference Center. This event is open to the entire Fort Detrick community. For complete information, please check the Library's website.

## Ariadne's Pathway Studio Software for NCI Researchers

<https://ccrod.cancer.gov/confluence/display/CCROSTP/Ariadne+Pathway+Studio+Software>

NCI researchers (includes NCI-Frederick) now have unlimited access to the latest version of **Ariadne's Pathway Studio** software, MedScan text mining module, and ResNet Mammalian database. The software enables high-quality information and data retrieval from multiple sources including **PubMed** and online resources. Information is converted from text to biological relationships and imported into the ResNet Mammalian, Plant, or ChemEffect knowledge databases. NCI-Frederick employees should contact DMS Computer Services Helpdesk at [fredhelpdesk@mail.nih.gov](mailto:fredhelpdesk@mail.nih.gov) or at x5115. For a list of other resources available to NCI researchers, visit the CCR Office of Science & Technology website <https://ccrod.cancer.gov/confluence/display/CCROSTP/CCR+Bioinformatics+and+Biostatistics+Resources>.

## Resource of the Month: Faculty of 1000

The Scientific Library's **Resource of the Month** for September is **Faculty of 1000 Biology**, in which over 2,000 leading scientists express their expert opinions by highlighting and reviewing interesting papers in the biological sciences. You can access **Faculty of 1000 Biology** from the Library's Databases page:

<http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/databases.aspx>

If you would like to request an individual or group session to learn more about **Faculty of 1000 Biology**, please contact Marci Brandenburg at x5846 or [brandenburgm@mail.nih.gov](mailto:brandenburgm@mail.nih.gov)

## *Another Successful Student Science Jeopardy Tournament!*



Caitlin Briske, Rebecca Pollak, David Kasier-Jones, Jennifer Reid, Emily Pritt and Amy Zheng

“My clicker isn’t working!” “I knew that answer!” “How much should I bet?” These questions and others were heard by more than 70 people attending the **4<sup>th</sup> Annual NCI-Frederick/Scientific Library Student Science Jeopardy Tournament** on Thursday, July 15. Twenty high school and college summer interns formed teams of 2 students each to compete against each other, and the clickers, for prizes and bragging rights. The

1<sup>st</sup> place winners were Jennifer Reid and David Kaiser-Jones; 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners – Emily Pritt and Amy Zheng; 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners – Caitlin Briske and Rebecca Pollak. David is a multi-year first place finisher, as he was also part of the 2009 winning team. The Scientific Library staff appreciates the enthusiasm and courage of the 20 students who participated in this year’s event. We also appreciate those NCI-Frederick employees who took the time to watch the Jeopardy Tournament and support the students, thereby encouraging our students in all of their NCI-Frederick activities.

## *Science in the Cinema on Breast Cancer*

In support of October’s **National Breast Cancer Awareness Month**, the Scientific Library staff will host a **Science in the Cinema** on breast cancer in the fall. We will show the 2008 documentary ***In the Family***. At 27, filmmaker Joanna Rudnick tested positive for the BRCA mutation. She now faces an impossible decision: remove her healthy breasts and ovaries or risk incredible odds of developing cancer. This documentary follows Joanna as she connects with other women trying to navigate their way around the wrenching decisions associated with predictive genetic testing. Intensely personal and timely, ***In the Family*** is a groundbreaking investigation that attempts to answer the question: How much do you sacrifice to survive?

In addition to showing this documentary multiple times in October, we hope to show additional documentaries and host an informal talk by an invited speaker. Please check the **Science in the Cinema** website for up-to-date information. <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/science-cinema.aspx>

## *Laptop Librarian Evaluation Results Published*

Your Laptop Librarians have published an article in the recent most issue of ***Medical Reference Services Quarterly***. The article, “Evaluation of a Library Outreach Program to Research Labs” is based on an outcomes-based evaluation of the Laptop Librarian service.

In September 2008, the Scientific Library initiated the Laptop Librarian service, where a librarian, equipped with a laptop, visits several sites both on and off the NCI-Frederick campus. The Laptop Librarian is then available to answer any questions about Library resources and services. After this service had been offered for a year, the Scientific Library conducted an outcomes-based evaluation of the service. The evaluation included both an online survey and in-person interviews.

The evaluation showed that the accessibility of librarians was increased as a result of the Laptop Librarian service. Users of the service saved time and gained useful information as a result of interacting with the Laptop Librarians. In addition, users expressed overall satisfaction with the service. More information about this evaluation and its results can be found in the published article at <http://www.informaworld.com/smp/section?content=a924960924&fulltext=713240928>.

The results of this evaluation showed that the Laptop Librarian has been a success. To see our regularly scheduled locations and times, visit our website at <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/laptoplibrn.aspx>.

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