Diagnosaurus: A Differential Diagnosis Resource

McGraw-Hill’s Diagnosaurus 2.0, a differential diagnosis tool, is available from Access Medicine. Diagnosaurus allows you to search more than 1,000 common diseases and disorders by:

• Symptom
• Disease
• Organ system
• All entries

Diagnosaurus (2.0) is derived from McGraw-Hill’s 2007 Current Consult: Medicine.

You can access Diagnosaurus by looking it up in the Library’s Databases list or from within Access Medicine. Once in Access Medicine, click the blue DDx tab at the top of the page or the icon for Diagnosaurus further down.

Access Medicine is available to users at the Educational and Clinical Partner levels.

RefWorks Update

RefWorks users are invited to log in to RefWorks to read in detail about a number of enhancements just released. These include:

• Enhanced Global Edit: move, delete or replace data throughout your references
• Author links to COS Scholar Universe: when viewing references in Standard or Full View, and when using RefShare, a star icon indicates a potential match with an author profile in COS Scholar Universe
• A drop-down Output Language setting at the individual reference level which will allow RefWorks to apply special reference-specific formatting in more languages
• PubMed ID (PMID) and PubMed Central ID (PMCID) fields have been added for all references
• Users of JAWS or MS Narrator screen readers will now be able to establish a compliant interface default in the Tools, Customize area – see the RefWorks and Accessibility section of Help
• PubMed links are now activated in RefShare when you enable PubMed Linking via the Tools, Customize area
To access RefWorks go to the Library website, click on databases, search for RefWorks. Sign up for an individual account if you haven’t done so yet and you are ready to start using RefWorks.

Want to learn how to use the software? Free classes are scheduled on September 17, October 15 and November 5, 2008 from 10:00 – 12:00. Register to attend at: http://resource.library.tmc.edu/classes/listclasses.cfm

**Fast Facts about Pain**

**How prevalent is pain in Texas?**
- As many as 11 million Texans suffer from unrelieved pain.
- Pain affects more Texans than diabetes, heart disease and cancer combined, yet it remains woefully undertreated and misunderstood, and the majority of patients do not receive appropriate care.

**Why isn't pain managed very well?**
Many obstacles stand in the way of effective pain management:
- inadequate training of health professionals,
- exaggerated fears of side effects and addiction related to pain medication
- lack of communication between patients and health care providers
- the low priority of pain management in the health care system
- government laws and regulations that impede effective pain care

**Can pain be relieved?**
Most pain can be effectively relieved or greatly eased with existing therapies.

**What is the Texas Pain Advocacy and Information Network?**
The Texas Pain Advocacy and Information Network (TxPAIN) is a multidisciplinary organization comprised of healthcare professionals, researchers, educators, and patient advocates. TxPAIN seeks to ensure high quality pain management through public policy initiatives, public awareness campaigns, and patient and provider education.

**What is the Alliance of State Pain Initiatives?**
The Alliance of State Pain Initiatives (formerly American Alliance of Cancer Pain Initiatives) is a national network of State based Pain Initiatives (SPIs) dedicated to promoting pain relief. The national office facilitates the sharing of resources among SPIs, develops innovative pain management improvement programs, organizes an annual national meeting, and serves as the collective voice for the SPIs on national issues.

**Need more information?**
TxPAIN: Contact Karen Torges at the American Cancer Society, 512-919-1884 or email Karen.torges@cancer.org.

ASPI: Contact the ASPI at (608) 265-4013 or visit the ASPI’s website at: www.aspi.wisc.edu.
The August issue of News in Health, a publication that includes practical health news and tips based on the latest NIH research, is now available at: http://newsinhealth.nih.gov/

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• Matching Genes and Vitamins: A Personalized Plan May Be in Your Future

Health Capsules:
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Featured Website:
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From the National Institute of General Medical Sciences online magazine Findings helps you discover how cutting-edge science improves health. Solve interactive crossword puzzles and watch videos of scientists talking about their studies of cells, molecules and disease. Free classroom tools and class sets are available for teachers.

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Featured Library Classes in September
Evidence-based Medicine Databases
Tuesday, September 30 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Excel 2007 Basic
Wednesday, September 24 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

PubMed
Tuesday, September 23 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

PubMed Advanced
Wednesday, September 10 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

RefWorks
Wednesday, September 10 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Classes are free and are offered in the Library classroom.
To view the complete class schedule and to register, check the Library web site:
http://resource.library.tmc.edu/classes/listclasses.cfm

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