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About UpToDate

UpToDate is a clinical information resource which has been available for 20 years.

It aims to provide information quickly and easily to help with point of care decisions in 19 specialities, with more specialities in development.

The Library recently ran a trial through honni to the point of care tool, UpToDate. It elicited a very positive response from users, with many requesting that it be purchased.

The trial is now over so access to the resource is no longer available, and the Library is now negotiating with the supplier to see if a regional price can be agreed.

A Procurement Sub-Committee of the Library Advisory Group was set up earlier this year and is currently investigating how best we can work together on a regional basis to procure and provide access to resources for the benefit of all HSC staff. It is only by taking a creative approach to resource procurement at a time of severe funding pressures that we can negotiate more competitive deals, thereby ensuring staff have the information they need to provide high quality patient care and effective risk management.

Joint procurement is a challenging task and it will take some time to carry the project forward. The outcome will depend on many factors, not least cost, but we are awaiting a quotation for regional provision of UpToDate and we will keep members informed of progress.

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Some of your comments

“We need this on the ward, it would be used on a daily basis! It is absolutely essential and a reliable resource that we can trust to make safe, evidence-based, sound decisions that would make patient care better.”

“This will be a valuable resource for clinicians, especially at nights and OoH. A link through honni would be very welcome as its availability would be constant no matter where you work.”

“Thank you for providing an UpToDate trial. This is a very useful resource and I hope the trial can be extended to permanent availability.”

Reviewing the Document Supply Service

The Medical and HSC Library is currently carrying out a brief survey on document supply to find out what our library users need and how the service might develop in the face of increasing funding pressures.

We would be grateful if you would take a few minutes to complete the survey which is available at <http://go.qub.ac.uk/lvbbc>.

[Start the Survey](#)

Online Guide to Finding Resources

A new online guide to finding and connecting to resources via honni Encore is now available.

Using images to show exactly what you will see on screen, the guide provides information on how to:

- Search the catalogue
- Find electronic journals
- Find electronic books
- Access articles
- Access databases

To see the guide, click the link in the centre of the honni home page, or go directly to the [How to Guide](#).

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Suggest a Book for the Library

If there is a particular book you would like to see available in the library you can easily suggest it to library staff.

Just click the 'Suggest a Purchase' link from the My Account menu on the honni home page and log in. Then simply fill in the item details on the form, provide your own details, and click 'Submit Suggestion'. Your suggestion will be received by a specialist subject librarian for consideration, and you will be notified of the decision.

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Ways to Request Books & Articles



It is very easy to request material online from the library. Depending on your approach you can use one of two different requesting methods:

1. Directly from your search results

This method is used if you find a particular item during a search. For an article which is not available online in full-text you will be offered the 'Place Request' option and you will only need to click 'I agree' to accept the copyright declaration and submit the request. For other types of material a 'Request it' link may be available in the catalogue and you simply need to specify the location where you would like to pick up the item.

2. From the 'Place Request' link in the My Account menu

This method is used if you are unable to find a particular item on honni, or no 'Request it' link is available, or you don't have time to carry out a search and prefer to go straight to requesting. Unlike the first method, where the request form is automatically populated with the item details, you will need to manually input the information.

Paper forms are also available from the library for those who prefer not to use online requesting methods.

There is no charge for requesting books, reports and similar types of publication, but a small charge for article requesting is payable. For more information see the [Book and Article Requesting](#) section of honni.

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Journal Article Request

Article Author:

Article Title:

Title of Journal:

Date Published:

Volume:

Issue:

Pages:

Cited In:

Other Info:

Cancel if not filled by:

Date:

Other Request Options

- Book request
- Chapter or portion of a book request
- Proceedings of a conference request
- Thesis or Dissertation request
- Government publication request
- Technical Report request

Copyright Declaration

Please supply me with a copy of the item detailed above, which I require for the purpose of research for a non commercial purpose or private study. I have not previously been supplied with a copy of the same material by you or any other librarian. I will not provide others with a copy of it and I know of no others requesting a copy for similar purpose at this time. I will retain only a single paper copy and destroy any electronic copies after printing. I understand if this declaration is false I shall be liable for any infringement of copyright as if I had made it myself.

Accept the copyright declaration and submit your request by clicking:

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- Print or email records easily

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