

USING STAT!REF

Stat!Ref is a Web-based resource that provides access to the full text of the most recent editions of six medical books: *AAFP Conditions A to Z*, *AHFS Drug Information*, *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual*, *Delmar's Fundamental and Advanced Nursing Skills*, *Old's Maternal-Newborn Nursing and Women's Health Across the Lifespan*, *Schwartz' Principles of Surgery*, *Sparks and Taylor's Nursing Diagnosis Reference Manual*, and *Family Medicine: Principles and Practice*. Titles are subject to change without notice.

General Information

- Stat!Ref can be accessed through the Library's Web page (<http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/>). Click on **Full-Text Resources**.
- If assistance is needed, ask a library staff member. From home or office, contact Mulford Reference Assistance at 419-383-4218, MulfordReference@utoledo.edu, or <http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/resources.html> (instant messaging). Online help is available by clicking on the **Ask a Librarian** link.
- After using Stat!Ref, please click on the **Logoff** link at the top of the page.

Searching and Browsing Stat!Ref

The quick search option is useful for searching all the books at once. Clicking on Advanced Search will allow for better searching.

On the Advanced Search page, enter the search terms at the top of the page, then select:

Filter by text type. Set your search to search within headings, documents, tables, references or images.

Include suffixes. With this option selected, a search for *disease* will retrieve documents with terms like *disease*, *diseases*, *diseased*, etc.

Title(s) to search. Choosing the appropriate title(s) will save time and effort.

Search Sets. Allows the user to personalize his or her search. **Search Sets** provides short cuts to selected articles. To personalize your search sets you will first need to create a profile in StatRef: for more information on **Search Sets**, go to Stat!Ref's **Preferences** link.

Stat!Ref also allows browsing of the sources by table of contents. At the top of the page, click on the **Titles** tab, between the **Results** and **Resources** tab. Then click on the title of interest and browse.

At times you may wish to limit the results of a search (as cancer) to only documents within one source title in the list (as *Schwartz' Principles of Surgery*. First click on the **View This Text** icon (will look like a book page) to the right of the desired text. Then click on **Search This Title** button next to **Search**.



Working with Results

The menu to the left of the results arranges the results by the heading AllStat!Ref Results and also by applicable filters: Drug Information, Patient Information, Point of Care, or Titles by Discipline. The search results may also be arranged by subfilters (under **Related Concepts**) ranging from allied health to urology (please note that depending on your topic, you may not see all of these result limits).

Once you have chosen a way to view your results (**All Stat!Ref Results, Drug Information, Point of Care, or Titles by Discipline**), the results will be displayed in the center of the page, ranked by relevancy. To view the full text, click on the document title. The search terms are in red and highlighted in green, making them easier to find. Within a document, there may be links to tables and other resources. To view, click the link provided.

Printing and Downloading from Stat!Ref

Printing Before printing, use the browser's Print Preview option to determine which pages to print. (If your browser's Print Preview option, has a frame select option, select **The selected frame**. This option would be located next to the **Help** button. Print just the pages that you need to print.

Downloading Select the desired text, copy it, and paste it into a word processing document.

Citing Stat!Ref

Stat!Ref is a collection of medical texts, so when citing information from Stat!Ref, make sure to cite the specific book, such as *Schwartz' Principles of Surgery*. Here is a citation in Vancouver format:

Schwartz' Principles of Surgery, 8th ed. [online monograph]. Stat!Ref, producer. Jackson, WY: Teton Data Systems; 2005.

Consult the relevant style manual for reference format information.

Resources

Stat!Ref also includes extra resources, which can be viewed by clicking on the **Resources** tab:

Stedman's Medical Dictionary Medical Dictionary which can also be accessed while viewing the text. When viewing one of your results, highlight the word you want to look up, and click on the **Stedman's Look Up** link, next to the **Print** icon above the search results.

MedCalc 3000 Provides such resources as a unit and dose converters, lists of formulas, and calculators.

National Guideline Clearinghouse Provides access to clinical practice guidelines

PubMed Online, free version of MEDLINE. For more information on how to search PubMed, please see the PubMed help sheet at <http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/pdf/pubmed.pdf>