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Main Library

What we collect

The New York Academy of Medicine Library houses an extensive collection of biomedical literature, primarily clinical in nature. The Library also has extensive collections in bioethics, public policy, public health, and the history of medicine.

What we do NOT collect

While the New York Academy of Medicine Library has a strong collection in most areas of clinical medicine, we do **NOT** collect extensively in the following areas: **Alternative Medicine, Consumer Health, Science, Dentistry, Nursing, Veterinary Science, and Psychology**. Please consult our Librarians for information on obtaining materials in these areas.

Types of materials

The Library contains over 750,000 volumes, including current journal subscriptions, and a variety of electronic resources. The Library does not collect audiovisual materials. Access, via public workstations, to e-resources is available through the

Library's **Samuel Jacobs Health Information Center**, and includes:

Online Catalog: Find information about all of the Library's journal holdings, and a large part of our book collection: <http://nyamed.aspvoy.endinfosys.com>

National Library of Medicine Databases

- PubMed** – access to citations from all the major medical journals (<http://www.pubmed.gov>)
- MedlinePlus** – NLM's consumer health information service (<http://www.medlineplus.gov>)

Alt HealthWatch: Full-text database on complementary, alternative and integrated approaches to health care and wellness

The Grey Literature Report: a bimonthly publication of the NYAM Library alerting readers to new grey literature publications in health services research and selected public health topics

New York Online Access to Health (NOAH): A collection of Internet resources designed for the consumer (<http://www.noah-health.org>)

SocINDEX: Full-text sociology research database

E-Journals: The Library provides electronic access to some of the journals in its collection.

Location of materials

The majority of the Library's materials are located in a **closed stacks** area. Materials available **directly from the shelves** are located in the following areas:

Reference (current textbooks, reference sources)
Current Periodicals

All other materials must be requested through the online catalog or by using a written request slip. Please allow 20 – 30 minutes for retrieval. A separate appointment is necessary to use materials in the Rare Book collection.

You may only request **10 items per day** from the closed stacks area. Call the main Reference number, (212) 822-7315, to request items to be retrieved and held in advance of your visit.

Reference Services

A reference librarian is available by appointment to assist you on-site and via telephone or e-mail with your research requests.

Telephone reference is limited to short, factual inquiries, journal publication information, and material retrievals for up to 5 items prior to your visit to the Library. Call (212) 822-7315 for this service.

Comprehensive research services are available should you choose not to come into the Library.

The Malloch Rare Book Room and Historical Collections

The library collections of the New York Academy of Medicine began with the donation of Martyn Paine's *Medical and Physiological Commentaries* (1840) at the second meeting of the Academy in early 1847. The Library began collecting rare materials through purchase and donation almost immediately, with large purchases such as that of the Edward Clarke Streeter Collection (1928) providing significant enhancements to the rare book collections.

The collections continue to grow and today Historical Collections contains about 49,000 volumes on the history of medicine, science and other health-related disciplines (32,000 of these date from 1700 BC to 1800 AD). The Library contains a number of archives and manuscript collections as well as secondary sources about the history of medicine. The extensive reference collection includes bibliographies, dictionaries, biographical resources and works on the history of printing and the book arts.

Malloch Rare Book Room and Historical Collections

Location – Mezzanine
Tu/Th/Fri: 10am – 4:45pm
Wed: 10am – 6:45pm
For an appointment call:
212.822-7313 or 7310

www.nyam.org/library/pages/historical_collections

Document Delivery Services

If you are a member of the general public and/or have no affiliation with the Library, you can request that journal articles from the Library's collection be photocopied and sent to you through the Library's Document Delivery Department. Requests must be faxed or mailed and should include your Visa, MasterCard or American Express number and expiration date. Book loans are not available for unaffiliated patrons. Rates are as follows:

Delivery	Turn Around	Charge
U.S. Mail	3-5 bus.days	\$30/article
Fax/Email	next day	\$40/article
Fax/Email	Same day*	\$50/article

*Not guaranteed.

The NYAM Library can also provide photocopies of journal articles not held in our collection. These items will be procured from other institutions via Interlibrary Loan. Requests must be faxed or mailed and should include your Visa, MasterCard or American Express number and expiration date.

Interlibrary Loans will take 5-7 days (Rush) or 14-21 days (Regular), depending on the level of service you choose. The copyright fee, as assigned by the Copyright Clearance Center, will be charged in addition to NYAM ILL fees:

- E-Mail/Fax/Pickup/Mail: (\$50.00 Rush)
- E-Mail/Fax/Pickup/Mail: (\$40.00 Regular)

Gladys Brooks Book & Paper Conservation Laboratory

The Gladys Brooks Book & Paper Conservation Laboratory is a modern, well-equipped 1700 sq. ft. facility employing three full-time Book & Paper Conservators. The Conservators are responsible for the stabilization and conservation treatment of rare books and manuscripts and works of art on paper. As well as single item conservation of rare and unique objects, the Conservators also perform preventative and collections level conservation on NYAM's historic and general collections. The Laboratory has always assumed an active role in regional and cooperative conservation activities, providing consultations and offering advanced workshops as the designated site for the New York Chapter of the Guild of Book Workers. In 1997 the Laboratory received funding

from the Gladys Brooks Foundation to support an annual internship for graduate students or individuals with significant experience in book conservation. The Gladys Brooks Internship is a unique opportunity for these individuals to enhance their skills in a working Laboratory. In addition to the internship, the Lab accepts volunteers seeking to gain the training necessary to enter an accredited conservation masters degree program. The Conservators conduct numerous tours for a great variety of visitors; these include tours for New York City school groups, both elementary and high school, as well as for graduate students in library science, fine arts, art history and book arts.

Tours of the Conservation Laboratory are by appointment only. Please call 212-822-7363 for more information.

National Library of Medicine National Training Center & Clearinghouse

The Library serves as the headquarters for the National Library of Medicine's National Training Center & Clearinghouse <http://nmlm.gov/ntcc/>. This Center and its staff provide accredited free training programs in online literature searching for librarians, health professionals, and the public throughout the United States. In addition, the NTCC collaborates with all eight Regional Medical Libraries to provide registration and promotion for classes on software programs such as *LINKOUT*, *DOCLINE*, and *WISER* and other classes for hand held devices. The Center also aggregates and publishes links to online educational biomedical materials in the *Educational Clearinghouse Database*. (<http://nmlm.gov/ntcc/ch/index.html>)

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No weekend hours

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