

# ***Clinical Focus in the eRecord***

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# The Setting

- Health Sciences Library System (HSLS)
  - Large academic library serving University of Pittsburgh's six health sciences schools, and the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC)
- UPMC: “An Integrated Global Health Enterprise”
  - 20 tertiary, specialty, and community hospitals, with 4,200+ licensed beds
  - 400 outpatient sites and doctors' offices
  - 5,000 affiliated physicians (2,700 directly employed) / 55,000 employees
  - 1,400 residents
- HSLS receives support from UPMC to provide system-wide access to licensed online resources.
  - One-view of HSLS Website from anywhere in the system

# UPMC eRecord

- Design and implementation began >10 years ago
- Applications rolled out in multiple phases at various hospitals
- 29,000 active users, including 5,000 physicians
- 3.6 million unique patient records
- Used by 261 UPMC physician practices

# UPMC eRecord cont..

- 200 clinical applications from 120+ vendors, including EPIC & Cerner
- Interoperability Project (joint development w/ commercial company)
  - Creating a single unified patient record based on data from different information systems, formats, and sites
  - Referring providers & other clinicians can exchange information, while protecting patient privacy and security

# How We Started

- 2004: Library Director invited onto the eRecord Physicians Advisory Committee
- 2006 – key physician supporter identified (Medical Director of Ambulatory eRecord)
  - Can the eRecord include not only patient-specific information, but also context-specific knowledge-based information
  - **“Why can’t the information I need about my patient at that moment just pop up on the screen?”**

# Library Development Team

- 5 librarians (2 reference, 2 computer services, 1 director) plus key physician
- Goal: develop a clinical information tool to embed into the eRecord

- Step 1: Articulate user needs
- Step 2: Develop evolutionary approach
  - Move forward in small steps
  - No additional funding

# Step 3: The Vision

- Take advantage of library's wide array of e-books, and point-of-care information tools
- Minimize dependence on any one resource
  - Mix and match resources with easy substitution
- Minimize redundancy to avoid overwhelming users with too much information
- Use the fewest number of resources needed to answer the question

# Step 4: Technology = Vivísimo

- A meta-search engine that combines results from multiple sources into a single results list allowing users to search several resources at once
- A search engine that clusters common terms from the results and creates “on the fly” groups to help narrow searches
- Simple “Google-like” search box
- Built on previous HSLS Vivísimo work



## E-Book Full Text

Search the full text of over 1000 health and biomedical science e-books.




## Alternatives:

- [Browse the Health Sciences E-Books list](#)

e-books.

Top 413 results retrieved for the query **blast**

## Narrow your search:

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[blast](#) (413)

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[Leukemia](#) (41)

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[Databases](#) (28)

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[Human](#) (20)

[Injuries](#) (11)

[Lymphocytes](#) (11)

[Engineering, Control](#) (9)

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1. [Differential Diagnosis in Internal Medicine](#) [preview]  
432 Table 14.7 FAB classification of myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS) MDS subtype Percentage of peripheral blasts Percentage of bone marrow blasts AML transformation Median survival (months) Refractory anemia (RA) ? 1 ...  
Source: Thieme ElectronicBook Library
2. [Diagnosis](#) [preview]  
Book: Medical Oncology > Chapter e2. The Myelodysplastic Syndromes  
Source: AccessMedicine
3. [Blast](#) [preview]  
Book: ICD-9-CM - VOLUMES 1, 2 & 3 (2009)  
Source: STATRef
4. [Iron Production](#) [preview]  
Authors: C. L. Nassaralla  
Book: Encyclopedia of Materials: Science and Technology  
Source: Elsevier ScienceDirect
5. [APPENDIX 1A Molecular Biology References](#) [preview]  
Book: Current Protocols in Neuroscience  
Source: Wiley InterScience: Current Protocols
6. [Potential Exposures In the Manufacturing Industry—Their Recognition and Control](#) [preview]  
Authors: William A. Burgess  
Book: Patty's Industrial Hygiene  
Source: Wiley InterScience: Reference Works
7. [Chapter:](#) [preview]  
Source: Books@Ovid
8. [Bioinformatics](#) [preview]  
Authors: Christopher A. Cullis  
Book: Plant Genomics and Proteomics  
Source: Wiley InterScience: Online Books

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## DDx

Diagnostic information by symptom or complaint

Search

Alternative: 

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# Introduced into eRecord in October 2008

The screenshot displays the PowerChart Organizer interface for patient FIORILLO, ANTHONY B. The top menu bar includes 'Task', 'Edit', 'View', 'Patient List', and 'Help'. The 'Patient' dropdown menu is open, showing options such as 'eRecord A to Z Help', 'EasyScript/PowerNote Support Request Form', 'Health Sciences Library' (highlighted), 'MedTrak', 'Schedule Appointment Book', 'Print On Demand', 'Specimen Collection Handbook', and 'Antibiogram'. A red arrow points to the 'Health Sciences Library' option. The 'Links' panel on the right lists various resources, with 'Pitt Health Sciences Library System' highlighted. Another red arrow points to this link. The interface also features a 'Home' section with a 'Schedule' button and an 'In Basket' section with a list of messages and results.

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- PDR
- Pitt Health Sciences Library System**
- UPMC Health Plan Pharmacy
- UPMC Health Plan Authorizations
- UPMC Outlook Email
- Pitt Email
- AIDS Info Website
- Highmark Formulary
- Health America Formulary
- UPMC Pt Education
- GIM

**In Basket**

- Staff Message
- Patient Call (8)**
- Charts
- Overdue Results (7)**
- Med Cosign (1)**
- Results (5)**
- Encounters

# Challenges

- Development
  - Scope of UPMC project dwarfs ours
    - Difficult to find the right people
    - We are a very small part of a very large project
  - Shoestring funding & operations
    - Both good and bad
  - Working across 2 organizations
    - No direct access to eRecord
- Usability
  - Access was not uniform & buried
  - Users mostly searched the first tab
  - Limited marketing & promotion

# August 2009: New Approach

- New attention from physician leadership & UPMC administration due to budget pressures
- New mix of clinical information resources
  - Validated original emphasis on variety of vendors
- Evolve into a clinical portal, rather than an embedded search box
- New name and design
  - Vivisimo remains the search engine “behind-the-scenes”

MIX WELL, and Voila....



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## Clinical Focus



## Clinical Focus

**Enter:** disease, symptom, drug, procedure or test



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## Clinical Focus

Results 1-10 of about 104 | [D](#)

### Topic Source

#### Top 105 Results

remix

- + Infections (18)
- + Ankylosing Spondylitis (10)
- + Rheumatoid arthritis (11)
  - Diagnosis, Differential (9)
- + Acute (6)
- + Rheumatic Fever (6)
- + 20. Musculoskeletal & Immunologic Disorders (5)
- + Patient, Approach (5)
  - Septic Arthritis (3)
  - Psoriatic (3)

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Search within clusters

### Micromedex Results

#### [MICROMEDEX Search Results](#)

1. [Sulfasalazine for ankylosing spondylitis](#) [new window](#)

**Author:** Junmin Chen, Chao Liu

**Year:** 2005



2. [General Considerations](#) [new window](#)

> Chapter 18. Reactive Arthritis

**Source:** CURRENT Rheumatology Diagnosis & Treatment

**CURRENT**  
Diagnosis & Treatment **LANGE**

3. [Chapter 5. Acute Diarrheal Disorders -](#) [new window](#)

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reactive arthritis

Search

Results 1-10 of about 116 | [D](#)

### Topic Source

#### Top 117 Results

- [BMJ Clinical Evidence](#) (11)
- [CURRENT Diagnosis & Treatment in Orthopedics](#) (3)
- [CURRENT Diagnosis & Treatment: Emergency Medicine](#) (2)
- [CURRENT Diagnosis & Treatment: Pediatrics](#) (6)
- [CURRENT Medical Dx & Tx](#) (10)
- [CURRENT Rheumatology Diagnosis & Treatment](#) (20)
- [First Consult's Medical Conditions](#) (16)
- [STAT!Ref](#) (45)
- [The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews](#) (3)
- [Other Topics](#) (1)

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**Book:** CURRENT DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT GASTROENTEROLOGY, HEPATOLOGY, & ENDOSCOPY - 3rd Ed. (2009)

**Source:** STAT!Ref







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## Clinical Focus: Patient Education

Results **1-10** of about **48** | [Details](#)

### Topic Source

#### Top 35 Results

remix

- [Knee](#) (6)
- + [Arthritis](#) (6)
- + [Ligament, ACL](#) (5)
- [Rotator Cuff](#) (3)
- [Shoulder](#) (3)
- [Meniscal](#) (2)
- [Other Topics](#) (11)

### UPMC Patient Education

#### [Knee Arthroscopy](#)

... Pittsburgh Medical Center Information for Patients K **nee Arthroscopy** abnormality. The doctor may also use **arthroscopy** to correct your knee

These sources have been queried:

- **MD Consult's Patient Education** - 48 results retrieved in **11.306** seconds.
- **MedlinePlus Drugs, Supplements and Herbal Information** - No results retrieved in **0.023** seconds.
- **UPMC Patient Education Materials** - 1 result retrieved in **0.039** seconds.

1. [Arthroscopy](#) [new window](#)



2. [Arthroscopy](#) [new window](#)



Search within clusters



# Next Steps

- Short term
  - Active support from physician and administrative leadership
  - Replaced Clinical-e in-patient and ambulatory systems
  - Linked from library home page
  - Develop marketing and instructional program
    - Presentations; newsletter articles; web-based introduction
- Intermediate term
  - Continue development and marketing
  - Formal evaluation to determine reliability and validity
- Long term
  - Work with eRecord interoperability group to pre-populate the search box with patient-specific information from the eRecord

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