The Library, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine serves the information needs of Medical Professionals by providing resources available both within and outside the library. It is our aim to develop the PGIM library into a dynamic information hub to our readers. In keeping up with this trend PGIM Library has introduced many more digital and online resources.

Through this “Library In Action” we hope to keep you informed of new developments taking place in the PGIM Library and to encourage and develop a constructive dialogue between the library and its users with a view to fulfill your information needs more efficiently.

Mission of the Library

To fulfill the information needs of the postgraduate trainees of the institute and other medical professionals by providing resources available both within and outside the library enabling them to excel academically and professionally.
Membership

Eligibility: Library membership falls into two categories

1. General membership
   General membership is open to PGIM trainees and to any other medical/dental doctor registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council. Other categories may be considered with special permission of the Board of Management. The membership ID card is valid for those who use it at Colombo, Peradeniya and other PGIM facility centres. The annual fee for general membership is Rs.2500=.

2. Borrowing Membership
   Postgraduate trainees who possess PGIM Library membership cards are eligible for borrowing membership on the recommendation of SAR/Exam and AR/Academic. PGIM academic staff members: Free of charge on the recommendation of the respective Board of Study and the approval of the Director, PGIM.

3. Temporary Membership
   Temporary membership is open to non-medical students and undergraduate medical students. Temporary membership fee is 250/= per month.

General Guidelines

1. Members are required to produce their membership cards personally when entering the Library.

2. Members who visit the library are required to sign in the attendance register provided at the security desk indicating their membership number, the time of arrival and the time of departure.

3. Visitors to the library are required to obtain the permission of the librarian to use the library.

4. Readers must deposit their belongings such as books, notes etc. at the security point before entering the library.

5. Valuable articles or cash should not be left at the security point. Library staff will not be responsible for the loss of such material.

6. Library membership cards are valid for a period of one year from the date of issue and should be surrendered to the Library before the expiry date for renewal.

7. The membership cards and borrowing tokens are nontransferable. The holders of the borrowing tokens are responsible for any library material borrowed under such tokens.

8. Reissued copy of a lost membership card may be obtainable by the member concerned on payment of Rs.100=.
   Requests for reissuing should be made in writing and submitted to the Director, PGIM, along with a stamp sized photograph.

9. Members should notify the Librarian of any change in their addresses.

10. Members are not permitted to take personal property, apart from papers to take down notes, into the library without the Librarian’s prior permission.

11. PGIM student members are required to provide a library clearance certificate to the PGIM for Board certification.

12. SILENCE should be strictly observed in the Library.

13. Seats in the Library may not be reserved or removed by the readers.

14. Readers are not allowed to hold discussions inside the Library.

15. Consumption of food and drink is strictly forbidden in the Library.
How to do a Literature Review?

What is Literature Review?
Literature Review is a systematic method for identifying, evaluating and interpreting the work produced by researchers, scholars and practitioners.

- Discusses published information in a particular subject area.
- In another way, a literature review is an evaluative report of information found in the literature related to your selected area of study.
- It analyzes critically a segment of a published body of knowledge through summary, classification, and comparison of prior research studies, reviews of literature, and theoretical articles.

The role of literature in research
- Literature helps formulate a workable and an easier read research topic and it provides a solid foundation to develop and theoretical background to a selected field of study.
- Literature helps the researcher understand the body of knowledge on particular discipline prior to embarking on a research project and it shows that the research is familiar with previous relevant research.
- Literature helps shed light on any existing research gaps in specific areas and points the way forward for further research.
- Literature helps design conceptual framework, in-depth interview, guidelines, questionnaires, hypotheses, probabilities and research questions for qualitative and quantitative research.

The main goals of a literature review
- To provide background for a proposed research topic using previous research.
- To show that the research is familiar with previous relevant research.
- To evaluate the depth and breadth of the research in regard to a proposed research topic.
- To determine remaining questions or aspects of a proposed topic in need of research.
- To maintain reciprocal relationship between a literature review and a proposed research project for which it is written.

Why do a Literature Review?
- To convey to the reader what knowledge and ideas have been established on a topic and what are the strengths and weaknesses.
- The literature review allows the reader to be brought up to date regarding the state of research in the field and familiarizes the reader with any contrasting perspectives and viewpoints on the topic.

Stages in developing a Literature Review
Ten (10) stages
1. Selecting the topic
2. Setting the topic in context
3. Looking at information sources
4. Using (retrieving) information sources
5. Getting the information
6. Organising information (information management)
7. Positioning the literature review
8. Writing the literature review
9. Checking Plagiarism
10. References/citation

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Teaching Hospital Batticaloa

Teaching Hospital Jaffna

Teaching Hospital Peradeniya

Teaching Hospital Karapitiya
Circulation Rules

1. A borrowing membership token will be issued to the members. These tokens can be used to borrow books from Colombo PGIM Library.

2. Books which are not classified as reference may be borrowed for a period of two weeks by teachers of the PGIM and one week by postgraduate trainees.

3. Books on loan may be renewed only once, for a period of one week.

4. Books classified as Overnight Reference will be issued after 4.00 pm. These should be returned before 9.00 am on the next working day. Members who fail to return overnight reference items on schedule or before three occasions will lose this facility. Members of the teaching staff are entitled to a loan period of three days.

5. Overdue materials are subject to a fine of Rs. 20/= per day, up to two weeks from the due date; from the 21st day onwards the fine will be Rs. 30/= per day. A fine of Rs. 25/= per day will be levied on Reference books not returned on time.

6. Damaged/lost material: if a book is damaged or lost, it should be replaced or the current cost of the book plus 25% of the cost should be paid to the library, within three months.

7. Members who retain books for more than three months or who do not pay fines will lose their membership and will be liable for any arrears. Their membership will be reinstated only upon the approval of the Director/PGIM, and after the borrowed books are returned.

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Webinars held on

Library, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine Organized

Webinar on “Clinical Key and Mandeley Reference management software” for the Trainers and Trainees of the PGIM
3rd July 2020
3pm-4pm

Webinar on “Searching for Covid-19 on ClinicalKey”
23rd April 2020
3pm – 4pm

Resource Person: Durga Ranganath M

These Webinars were coordinated by Mrs.DilhaniMunasinghe (SAL) and Mrs.Chandima Wadasinghe (SAL) from the Library, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine.

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- Online catalogue,
- Thesis / Dissertation Catalogue
- Sri Lanka medical index

Visit http://librepository.pgim.cmb.ac.lk/
- Case Studies
- News Letters
- Past Papers
- Theses/Dissertations
1. Clinical Key

What is ClinicalKey?
ClinicalKey is a clinical search engine that helps doctors and other health professionals make better decisions in clinical scenario. ClinicalKey adapts to your schedule, work flow preferences and information needs, making it easier for you to find and apply relevant knowledge quickly.

For more details visit our page through: https://library.pgim.cmb.ac.lk/clinical-key/

2. Hinari

Hinari Access to Research for Health programme
Hinari Programme set up by WHO together with major publishers, enables low- and middle-income countries to gain access to one of the world’s largest collections of biomedical and health literature. Up to 20,000 journals, up to 64,000 e-books, up to 110 other information resources are now available to health institutions in more than 125 countries, areas and territories benefiting many thousands of health workers and researchers, and in turn, contributing to improve world health

3. Sri Lanka Journals Online (SLJOL)

SLJOL is a database of journals published in Sri Lanka, covering the full range of academic disciplines. The objective of SLJOL is to give greater visibility to the participating journals, and to the research they convey. It is managed by the National Science Foundation of Sri Lanka and was developed in collaboration with INASP.

4. Free open medical databases

[Image of FreeBooks4Doctors!, PLOS, PubMed, etc.]

5. Oxford Textbooks and Handbooks

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6. Emerald

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7. Taylor and Francis

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8. EBSCO HOST

EBSCOhost offers a variety of full text journal databases from leading information providers and E-books. Academic Search Complete is the world’s most valuable and comprehensive scholarly, multi-disciplinary full-text database available in EBSCOhost. Database offers indexing and abstracts for more than 12,500 journals and a total of more than 13,200 publications including monographs, reports,
Our Services

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Plagiarism Check
All PGIM trainees are strongly advised to perform a plagiarism check on case books, research proposals, dissertations, theses and other academic documents before they are submitted to the PGIM for evaluation. The necessary software - Turnitin (https://www.turnitin.com/) is available at the PGIM Library. Once submitted all document will undergo a further plagiarism check by the PGIM before being sent for evaluation.
The cut-off for direct copy / similarity accepted by the PGIM is 20%. Documents that fail the plagiarism check will be rejected without evaluation. Forward your documents to following Email Address in PGIM Library pgcheck@pgim.cmb.ac.lk

Current Content Page Service
The library compile content pages of current issues of purchased journals by the PGIM library, and sends out the members of the Boards of the Study and relevant departments for information. Trainers of the PGIM can go through the content pages and make requests for photocopies of articles and obtained full text if they are interested to have and the library undertakes the task of obtaining the article from the relevant library on behalf of the requester.

Inter- Library Loans
The Library also provides Library material from other Libraries through inter-library loan service. Inter Library Loan is a service that will assist readers in obtaining research materials that are not available in the library, but available elsewhere. Only the members of academic staff are eligible to use this service.

Literature Survey
Literature searches on given topics are carried out by the library staff upon requests and search results are sent to the requester via E-mail.
For details please call over at the service counter.

Photocopying
Photocopying facilities are available at the Library, subject to copyright regulations.
The copyright law does not allow readers to copy an entire book using the library photocopy service.
Copying rate – A4 size
Both Sides – Rs. 7.00
Single Side – Rs. 5.00

Library Orientation Programme
Library conducts user awareness lectures to Postgraduate Trainees based on the request made by Boards of Study, PGIM.

Past Question Papers
The past question papers can be downloaded from the PGIM Library repository, web link http://librepository.pgim.cmb.ac.lk / Over 700 PQPs are now online. More papers will be added as and when the library receives them from the examinations department of the PGIM. To view past papers you will need to have Adobe Acrobat Reader in your computer.

User Seminars
The Library User Education program is designed to provide trainees with practical knowledge of research techniques and assist Trainees, Trainers in becoming independent library users. Literature search assistance is given to trainees up on their request.

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Staff News

Mrs. H.N.L. Hewagama, Mrs. G.R.C.T. Herath and Mr. H.K.N.P. Kumara were joining to work at the academic centre since 1st of January 2020.

Mrs. A.H.T.H.R. Nikethani and Mrs. H.U.C. Pathirana have participated the award ceremony of the Diploma in Library Science of the NILIS on 07th February 2020.

Mrs. Nadeera Wanigasekara has successfully completed the level 2 of the Diploma in Library Science conducted by the Sri Lanka Library Association.

It’s your responsibility to

- Handle all Library material with utmost care.
- Help the Library staff to maintain a quiet environment by not using mobile phones inside the Library.
- Respect the rights of other users to study and conduct research.
- Leave Library books on the reading tables; a book misplaced is a book lost!
- Use the ‘suggestions and complaints book’ to help the Library staff to improve and enhance available services.

Opening Hours

Main Library: Academic Center
- Weekdays: 8.00 am – 5.30 pm
- Saturdays: 8.00 am – 5.00 pm

Branch Library: Prof. Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw
- Weekdays: 8.00 am – 7.45 pm
- Saturdays & Sundays: 8.00 am – 5.00 pm

Library will be closed on public holidays and on any other day as decided by the Director, PGIM.