

## JIBS Ovid Enhancement Group meeting, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2013

### Present:

Robert Kimberley (Wolters Kluwer); Betsy Anagnostelis (UCL); Mark Clowes (Leeds; minutes); Nicola Darlington (Nottingham); Mike King (Bucks); Karen Poole (KCL); Rowland Somers (Cardiff)

### Technology update

- Robert explained that the timescale for the revamp of the Ovid search platform has been extended due to a decision to make more significant changes. These will not necessarily affect the interface itself but will ensure that the platform remains robust and continues to perform effectively. A new Vice President, Technology has been appointed to lead this project.
- A new e-books interface, to be offered in partnership with another provider, is planned for summer/autumn 2014.
- Changes to the journals platform are also planned. In addition, all the Lippincott Williams and Wilkins (LWW) journals will be made available using BrowZine, to mutual Ovid and BrowZine customers.
- Lessons had been learned about the recent rollout of the multimedia content (videos and images, drawn from Lippincott journals); while this additional material is potentially useful, some customers found it confusing and it is now an optional extra rather than being seen as a default for everyone.
- Questions were raised about the fair use of the multimedia material once downloaded – for example, whether images could be used in Powerpoint presentations or embedded in virtual learning environments. Primal Pictures have usually tended to be quite liberal with the use of their material, and Ovid are generally flexible about WK (Lippincott) content; but are by necessity stricter in protecting the rights of third parties whose content they make available on their platform.
- Developments in mobile functionality: an announcement will be made shortly about this.

### Questions from the JIBS user community

Issues raised by University of Stirling:

1. The University of Stirling had raised a concern that OVID and Aspire (or Talis list) are incompatible – however some members of the group said that to the best of their knowledge it was working OK in their institutions. **Action: MC to seek further clarification of the nature of the problems**

## 2. Nursing Times

Stirling also complained that coverage of Nursing Times was incomplete meaning that students still had to refer to print issues. Robert clarified that Ovid only acquire the “non-ephemeral” content – not the news articles. Some users felt that this inadequate meaning they had to purchase alternate access elsewhere.

## 3. Advanced vs Basic search modes

Stirling complained that the Ovid interface was too complicated for the average undergraduate, who would probably turn to Google as a result. Robert explained that the Basic search was an attempt at a simpler interface for novice users, but the group generally felt that Basic mode was *too* simple and unpredictable in terms of the results it delivers.

Issues raised by members of the group:

4. Nursing Standard – RCN publishing are threatening some subscribers with a price increase and it was asked whether this would also be the case for those who subscribe via Ovid. Robert confirmed that discussions are underway but he was unable to reveal any more information about this at the time of the meeting.
5. MeSH headings with more than one context:  
The group raised concerns about the display of contextualisation of headings which occur in more than one place on the subject tree (there is no “contexts” button in the databases other than Medline). A conference call will be held to discuss possible solutions to this issue. **Action: Robert to arrange conference call with representatives of the group.**
6. Screenshots in training materials:  
Robert stated that there is rarely any problem, but asked that anyone planning to use screenshots of the Ovid platform in videos or training materials send these to [support@ovid.com](mailto:support@ovid.com)
7. De-duping  
Betsy (UCL) raised an issue about the “deduplicate” feature in Advanced Search – 6,000 results being too few for researchers working on systematic reviews. She suggested that a 20,000 limit might be more useful; Robert noted this as a possible enhancement for the forthcoming platform upgrade, but there is a trade-off between a higher limit and response time. **Action: Robert to investigate feasibility of increasing “deduplicate” limit**
8. Medline/EMBASE auto-mapping  
Karen (KCL) raised a query about auto-mapping between Medline and EMBASE. **Action: Karen to supply examples of the problem.**

**New and forthcoming content:**

- Natural Standard – a new evidence-based resource on complementary and alternative medicine, strong on interactions between supplements and prescribed drugs.
- New LWW journals – 80 LWW titles are now hybrid open-access journals.
- 3 new journals from BMJ, and some from Wiley
- New e-books (some subscription; others available for one-off purchase; some both)
- JBI EBP resources (Joanna Briggs Institute) – resources and tools to help translate the evidence into practice, and to teach critical appraisal skills. Different specialties available e.g. Mental Health, Midwifery Care, Cancer Care. A “journal club” facility is available with critical appraisal questions and checklists. JBI e-books on critical appraisal also available separately.
- BMJ Clinical Evidence now available on Ovid – a good starting point for understanding systematic reviews and critiquing their approach. Possible advantages to accessing this on Ovid along with other evidence sources?
- ACP Smart Medicine – a diagnostic point-of-care tool with prompts as to questions to ask, and gives evidence on which recommendations are based.
- Robert invited suggestions of other content which we would like to see available on Ovid; Campbell Collaboration was suggested as a possible source.