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Get ready for USMLE...

by using one of the LSUHSC - New Orleans Libraries' electronic resources that have practice and study exams for the USMLE and Specialty Board Exams.



([link removed](#)) has USMLEeasy practice tests using both basic sciences and clinical questions. (*AccessMedicine requires signing up for a free personal account.*) After login, return to Self Assessment and select which USMLE section to practice. Study and test modes are available.



([link removed](#)) has USMLE & Medical Specialty Board Exams. (*Customized testing available after registration.*) Once logged in, users may create QuickStart, Custom, or Keyword exams. ExamMaster may be used in study or test mode; study mode shows an immediate right or wrong answer and explanations for the answer are available for each question.

These resources should help you study. Good luck on your exams.

For assistance with any of the Libraries' resources, please contact a [Reference](#)([link removed](#)) Librarian at the Isché Library (504) 568-6102 / (504) 568-8339, or at the [Dental Library](#)([link removed](#)) (225) 334-5459.

-- [Kathy Kerdolff](#)([link removed](#))

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Exhibit Highlights Life of Library Namesake

In November of 2006, an exhibit on the career of John P. Isché was placed in one of the LSUHSC Library's display cases beneath the third floor stairwell. The main branch of the Library, located on Bolivar Street, was named for Isché at the time of its dedication in 1991.

Mr. Isché (1919-1988) was Director of Libraries for 26 years, from 1959 until 1985, serving under four LSU Presidents. He was named a Fellow of the Medical Library Association, and he was a prominent member and leader within the Louisiana Library Association. Those who knew him describe him as possessing of a zest for life and an infectious sense of humor. Mr. Isché was a native of Brooklyn, New York.

The exhibit case uses photographs, news articles, and informational text to recognize Mr. Isché's many years as a medical librarian, as well as his distinguished service in the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II.

-- [Amy Woodruff](#) (*link removed*)

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Announcements

New Hours

The John P. Isché Library is pleased to announce that its regular hours are now until 10 p.m. five nights a week. The regular library schedule is as follows:

Monday - Thursday	8 a.m.	to	10 p.m.
Friday	8 a.m.	to	6 p.m.
Saturday	9:30 a.m.	to	6 p.m.
Sunday	1:30 p.m.	to	10 p.m.

Three new [exhibits](#)(*link removed*) are available in the Isché Library. One solves the mystery of Evidence-Based Medicine; the second discovers what is "Beyond MEDLINE" ; and the third features highlights from the career of John P. Isché, former Director of Libraries, for whom the Resource Center Library was named in 1991.

[Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database](#)(*link removed*) is a new resource which offers clinically relevant drug information about prescription and non-prescription drugs. It is available via a consortial agreement with SCAMeL.

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Search Hints:



In [GIDEON](#)([link removed](#)), users have four modules to choose from:

- **Diagnosis** - diagnosis or simulation of a clinical problem.
- **Epidemiology** - how are diseases transmitted, diagnosed, treated; what is their status in any given country, or worldwide.
- **Therapy** - how are drugs and vaccines used; what are their side effects, trade names, testing standards.
- **Microbiology** - identify any bacterium or yeast; or contrast two or more species



To answer questions such as: *Where does the disease Q-Fever occur?* Click on the **Epidemiology Module** from the Main screen. In the Results section, scroll down to the disease in question. Then, click on the *Distribution* tab and the following screen will appear:



High quality *Images* and *Clinical* background for most of the diseases are provided as well.

General **Distribution** **Images** **Clinical**

Q-fever
(1 image)

Click on thumbnail for larger image and full description



These two "brown dog ticks", *Rhipicephalus sanguineus*, have been implicated in the spread of Q Fever.

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-- Carolyn Bridgewater([link removed](#))

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Staff News

Kathryn E. Kerdolff, MLIS, AHIP, Reference Librarian, has been named chair of the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association (SCC/MLA) Bylaws Committee.

Molly Knapp, MA, Reference Librarian, had an Electronic Resources Review on [CINAHLPlus](#)(link removed) published in the July 2006 issue of the *Journal of the Medical Library Association*. She was also recently featured in the [Chancellor's Notes](#)(link removed) which highlighted her Bulletin Board celebrating Black History Month.

Hanna Kwasik, MLIS, AHIP, Head Cataloger, had an [article](#)(link removed) entitled, "Strengthening professionals: a chapter-level formative evaluation of the Medical Library Association mentoring initiative" published in the January 2007 issue of the *Journal of the Medical Library Association*. Her co-author was **Pauline Fulda** former Associate Director of the Library.

Jennifer K. Lloyd, MLIS, AHIP, presented a paper entitled, "Changing Course: Katrina, LSUHSC-NO Library, and New Orleans" at the Annual Meeting of the SCC/MLA in College Station, TX in October. She was also named chair of the SCC/MLA of Awards and Scholarships Committee. Jennifer has also changed positions within the Library; she is now the Information Technology / ILL Librarian.

Kresenda Raasch rejoined the Library Staff as a Circulation Associate in January. Kressy worked in the Library until Hurricane Katrina. She has most recently been employed by Whole Foods.

Wilba Swearingen, MA, MLS, AHIP, Library Director, served as a juror on the Awards Committee for Medical Library Association's Fellows Program.

David Wolff, Circulation Associate, left the Library in December.

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Jennifer K. Lloyd, MLIS, AHIP

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