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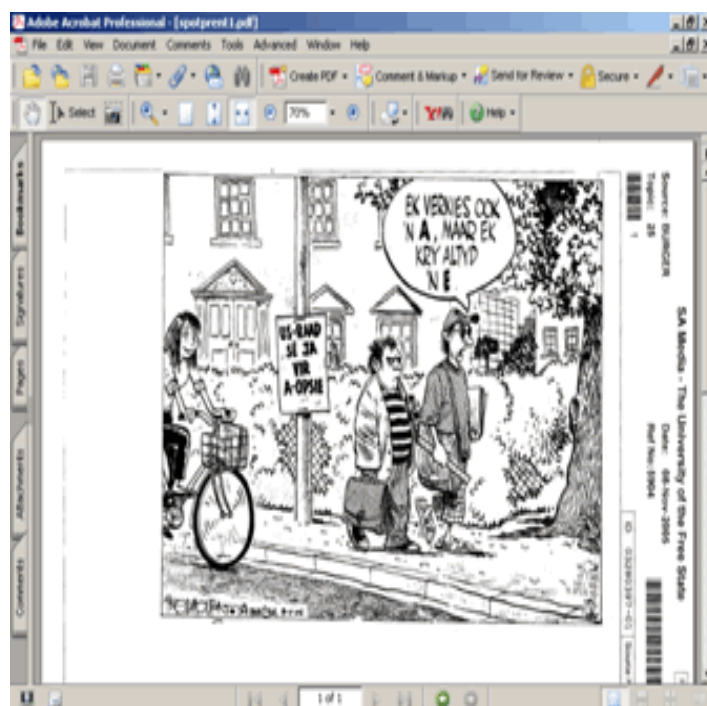
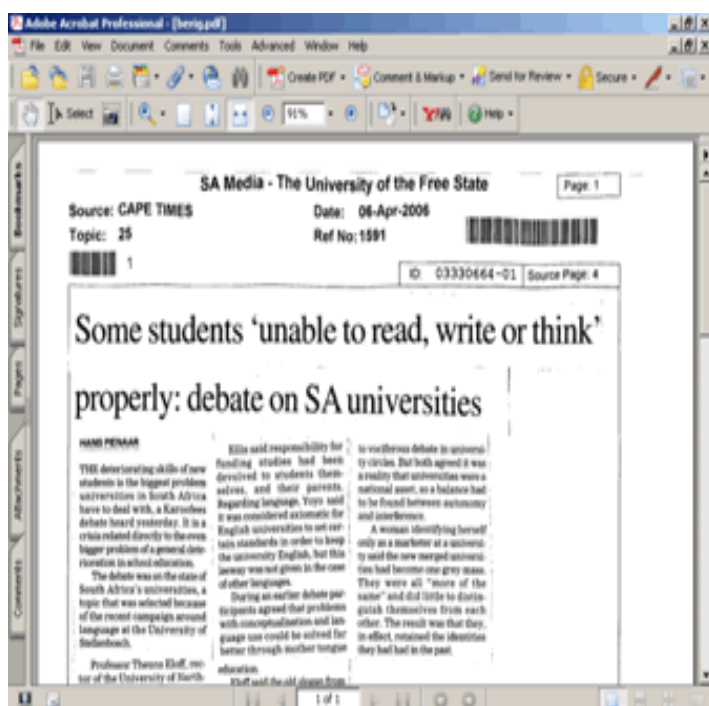
Looking for newspaper articles or cartoons? SA Media is the answer



The database [SA Media](#) gives access to more than 3 million South African newspapers and periodicals. These news reports are available from 1997 in electronic format and are updated daily. The reports are in their original format and presented as .pdf documents. A unique

feature is that the database also includes access to cartoons as they appear in the newspapers.

SA Media covers about 120 South African newspapers and periodicals. Some of the prominent publications are: Beeld, Burger, Volksblad, Rapport, Sunday Times, Citizen, Star, Sowetan as well as magazines such as Insig, Finansies & Tegniek, Financial Mail and Business Day. [Link to the database.](#)



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A list of new acquisitions is published monthly at: http://www.puk.ac.za/biblioteek/aanwinst_e.html. A link to the new acquisitions is also available on the library's home page: http://www.puk.ac.za/biblioteek/index_e.html.

Note that you can search the new acquisitions according to fund number. You can reserve a book for yourself when you click on the link that takes you directly to the library's catalogue.

Training facilities

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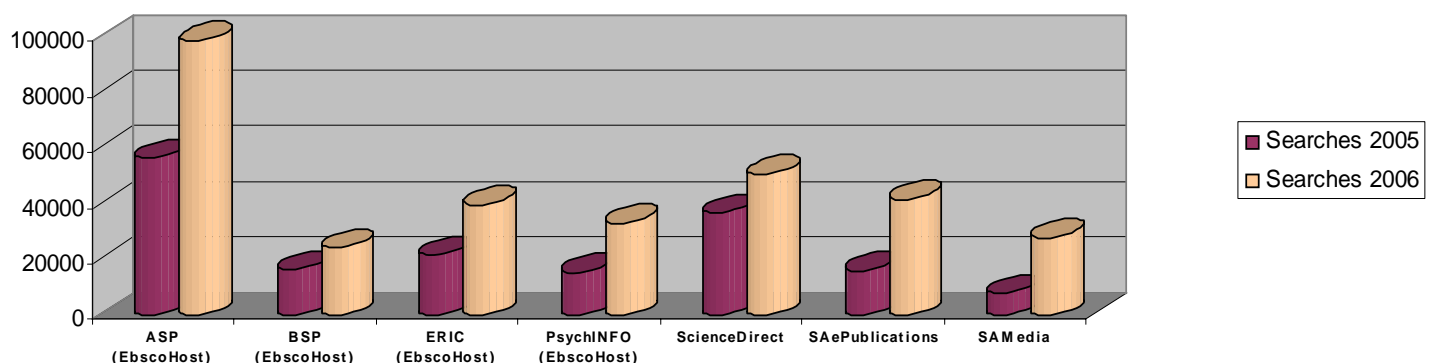


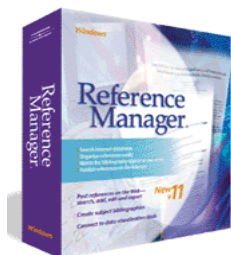
Our most popular databases

The library subscribes to a lot of databases that provide access to electronic full text articles. These scientific articles are a good alternative to the general information that users like to find on the Internet via search engines like Google. Use of these databases has increased and in some cases has doubled in comparison with the 2005 statistics. Some of our most popular databases are:

Database	Searches 2005	Searches 2006
Academic Search Premier (EbscoHost)	56 521	98 871
Business Source Premier (EbscoHost)	16 535	24 252
ERIC	21 716	39 903
PsycInfo	15 549	33 283
ScienceDirect	36 913	50 873
SAePublications	16 248	41 954
SAMedia	7 818	27 996

Total Searches 2005/06





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“Verwysings” / Quoting Sources / Report writing

The Puk Quoting Sources booklet was revised in 2006. The new version is available on the web page at: http://www.puk.ac.za/biblioteek/verwysings_e.pdf. There is great excitement about the new chapter on “Electronic information sources” on page 36. These booklets are for sale in the Library. For more information contact Adri Smit x2811.



Electronic theses and dissertations

On the Library's web page at: http://www.puk.ac.za/biblioteek/proefskrifte_e.html is a list of databases which provide free access to electronic theses and dissertations. Electronic versions of the NWU-Puk's theses and dissertations from 2004- can also be found on this page as well as from the catalogue: <http://fpb-lnx1.puk.ac.za/>.

Nuwe databasisse:

Goodman & Gilman's The Pharmacological Basis of Therapeutics, 11th Edition

Laurence L. Brunton, editor-in-chief
John S. Lazo and Keith L. Parker, Associate Editors

Editors of the online edition:

Laurence L. Brunton, editor-in-chief
Associate Editors: Keith L. Parker, Iain L. O. Buxton, and Donald K. Blumenthal

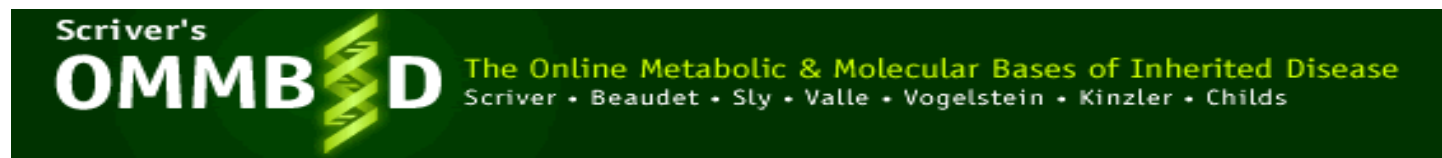
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- Full color figures and 3D representations
- Search related sites easily e.g. PubMed, etc.

New sound equipment for the Music Library

The [Music Library](#) in the Conservatoire recently received new audiovisual equipment as the previous sound system became obsolete after long use. With the previous system the users had to sit at listening points which were mounted against the wall while the librarian had to handle the sound recordings behind her desk. Now users can take the sound recordings to their individual listening stations where they can control the system and move the record from track to track.

The Director of Library Services on the Potchefstroom Campus of the North-West University, Tom Larney, says that it is important to the Library to deliver the best possible service to all its users. This means that equipment



Mr. Tom Larney (Director: Library Services), Mrs. Hester Spoelstra (Librarian), Mrs. Janie Lamprecht (Music Librarian), and Prof. Ernst Breet (of Absolute Hi-Fi who was responsible for the installation of the equipment).



Brechtje Odendaal, Tina Preller and Berdine Orffer is senior music students who enjoys using the new equipment. Up to three users can simultaneously listen to the same sound record.

in the Music Library must be modernised on a continuous basis. As with the development and renewal of computer technology, sound systems also provide exciting possibilities.

The new equipment includes: two NAD turn-tables, four Denon and two Marantz amplifiers and two Marantz CD-players. There are also twelve Sennheiser headphones to listen to music, of which six are cordless. A short while ago the Music Library was also supplied with a new television and DVD/video-player so that music students can use study material in this specific format.

Writer: Jaco van der Merwe, Director : School of Music & Conservatoire



Jane Lerefolo and Mzamo Qoshekile uses the new listening stations

DIGITAL ENGINEERING LIBRARY

McGRAW-HILL ENGINEERING ONLINE

The Library subscribed to [Digital Engineering Library](#) since October 2006. This is an online selection of more than 4,000 engineering articles uniquely structured around 12 major areas of engineering. Topics include:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Bio Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
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- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering Math & Science
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- Industrial Engineering
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