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Introduction

The 3rd Edition of the Core Journals List is a companion list to AACP Basic Resources for Pharmaceutical Education, and is an updated version of the 2003 Core Journals List. Committees of the Libraries/Educational Resources Section of AACP prepare both the Core Journals List and the Resources List. However, the methodologies for preparing the two lists are different. Committee members suggest and vote on each individual title in the Basic Resources list. The Core Journals List results from a compilation of journal titles indexed in Medline and IPA, peer-reviewed, published in English, and focus on the subject of pharmacy and/or pharmacology. L/ER Section membership votes on each title and is solicited for additional titles worthy of inclusion but not meeting the list criteria. The combination of titles receiving a simple majority vote is approved at the annual business meeting by the membership. A final copy is distributed to the L/ER membership and an archival copy is posted to the AACP website.

The Core Journals List is a service project of the Libraries/Educational Resources Section of AACP. It is intended to provide information that assists with collection development and accreditation as applied to the curriculum of the particular school or college of pharmacy for which it is being used. The Core Journals List is produced as a guide for those developing or maintaining the library collections that serve colleges of pharmacy. The list’s editors and current contributors all work, or have worked, in such libraries and this list contains our recommendations for titles to be included in pharmacy library collections. The journals recommended are suitable for all pharmacy college libraries, but all pharmacy college libraries need not purchase every title on the list. Each pharmacy college has its own mission, and its own program(s), and so each college’s library’s collection must reflect that mission and support the college’s curricula. Excellent library collections are built by knowledgeable librarians using their professional judgment along with the expertise of the college’s faculty. The Core Journals List should not be used as a benchmark and is not prescriptive, but instead is a starting place for librarians who are building new a collection or maintaining an established one.

It is assumed that library collections will include major medical journals. Although state pharmacy journal titles are not included on the list, it is assumed that libraries that support schools/colleges of pharmacy will hold at least their own state pharmacy journal for an extended period. Annuals and regular updates to standard texts, such as Drug Facts and Comparisons are included in the Basic Resources list only. Titles that are held in electronic format only are included, reflecting the migration of libraries and publishers toward electronic formats.

An electronic version of the Core Journals List is available from Vern Duba at vernon-duba@uiowa.edu.

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