SUMMER UPDATE

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VML NEWSLETTER

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Summer at the library is a season dedicated to projects, book acquisitions, and preparations for the upcoming school year. The Veterinary Medicine Library (VML) is continuously evolving to better meet the needs of its patrons, with the summer months serving as an opportune time for such improvements.

Recently, the library placed a significant book order, and the arrival of these new resources is now underway. The new acquisitions cover a wide range of subjects, including children's literature on veterinary topics, equine internal medicine and surgery, toxicology, justice and bioethics, wildlife conservation, critical care across various fields, public health, machine learning, and artificial intelligence. Patrons are encouraged to visit and explore these new offerings.

Additionally, the library's staff remains committed to ongoing professional development. Librarians are actively engaging in webinars, seminars, and online courses focused on both animal and human medical fields, as well as on databases, AI, machine learning, and copyright issues. This dedication ensures that the library continues to provide up-to-date resources and information to its users.

LIBRARIES EMBRACE OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES AND OPEN SCIENCE INITIATIVES

Libraries and academics have long been familiar with Open Educational Resources (OER) initiatives. However, the push for expanding these concepts through the Open Science movement is gaining momentum. Open Science emphasizes transparency, sharing, and inclusivity, aiming to democratize access to research and promote equitable resource distribution. The movement also seeks to foster accountability, accelerate self-correction, and improve rigor and reproducibility in scientific research.

Open Science and OER both strive to ensure that data, protocols, papers, and research findings are easily accessible, often for free, breaking down the barriers of paywalls. Additionally, Open Science advocates for open evaluation and peer review processes, enhancing engagement, accountability, and trust in the scientific process.

Despite accessibility limitations faced by academic institutions, the Veterinary Medicine Library (VML) is committed to exploring ways to make OER and Open Science resources more readily available to patrons. The library currently offers access to the Open/Alternative Textbook Initiative, the K-State Open Access Publishing Fund, and other Open Access agreements through K-State, Hale Library, and its own services.

For those interested in learning more about these initiatives, the library encourages visits or inquiries via email at vetlib@vet.k-state.edu.

NEW ITEMS

Check out some of our new items!

- Oxford Handbook of Ethics of AI
- Deep Medicine: How Artificial Intelligence can Make Healthcare Human Again
- All Trails Lead to Houston: Riding to the Rodeo
- Dog Politics: Species Stories and the Animal Sciences
- Grizzly 399: The World's Most Famous Mother Bear
- Animal Cruelty: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Understanding
- Nocturnalia: Nature in the Western Night
- Laboratory Manual for Clinical Anatomy and Physiology for Veterinary Technicians
- From Breeding & Feeding to Medicalization: Animal Farming; Veterinarization and Consumers in the Twentieth-Century
- Maritime Animals: Ships, Species, Stories
- Smart Livestock Nutrition
- Autoimmune Diseases in Domestic Animals
- Equine Dentistry and Maxillofacial Surgery
- Every Dreaming Creature
- Copy That, Copy Cat!: Inventions Inspired by Animals
- *and many, many more!*