

# LIBRARY NEWS

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## Strengthening our collection

We've been busy building on our substantial collection to bring you some great new resources. While we continue to acquire new print and AV material, our real growth area is e-resources, in line with the increasing demand for these 24/7.

### Scopus

Our acquisition of Scopus is a win for researchers! This is the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature and quality web sources with smart tools for tracking, analysing and visualising research. Scopus has:

- 15 000 peer-reviewed journals from over 4000 publishers
- more than 1000 open access journals
- more than 500 conference proceedings
- patent information
- 17 million records from prior to 1996

Scopus lets you:

- refine search results
- track citations
- find the most highly cited articles and authors
- see research trends in a particular year
- distinguish between authors with similar names
- set up search or citation alerts and RSS feeds
- display your work on your personal homepage using profiling options to create HTML feeds or cited by counts
- measure research performance by identifying an author's papers, tracking citations and analysing their influence with the *h-index*.
- go straight to the full text of an article or learn more about a particular author.

### Nature research journals

Apart from *Nature* and *Nature Biotechnology*, we now have access to:

*Nature Geoscience*  
*Nature Materials*  
*Nature Nanotechnology*  
*Nature Photonics*  
*Nature Physics*  
*Nature Chemistry* (to come in April 2009).

## ProQuest Central

This is another significant acquisition building on our existing ProQuest collection. We already had the following ProQuest databases:

ABI/INFORM  
Canadian Business and Current Affairs (CBCA)  
ProQuest Asian Business and Reference  
ProQuest Banking Information Source  
ProQuest Accounting and Tax Database  
ProQuest Computing  
ProQuest Telecommunications  
ProQuest Science Journals  
Academic Research Library  
ProQuest Education Journals  
ProQuest Career and Technical Education  
ProQuest Religion  
Criminal Justice Periodicals Index  
ProQuest Psychology Journals  
Pharmaceutical News Index  
ProQuest Health and Medical Complete  
ProQuest Nursing and Allied Health Source (journal content only)

Upgrading our subscription to ProQuest Central gives the RMIT community access to:

ABI/INFORM Complete, Hoovers Company Profiles (40 000+ companies/600 industries)  
OxResearch (30 000+ articles)  
Snapshots: 9000 reports, 43 industries, 40 countries  
ProQuest Military  
**ProQuest Central Newspapers:**  
ProQuest ANZ Newsstand  
ProQuest Newsstand  
Canadian Newsstand Complete

## SAE Technical Papers

This contains Society of Automotive Engineers technical papers in full text from 1998. Bibliographic information is provided for specifications and international papers.

## Standards Australia extra seats

Access to Standards Australia will be easier as we're adding two extra 'seats'. This means seven people from RMIT simultaneously can access this database of Australian standards, joint Australian and New Zealand standards, and ISO standards.

## e-books

Electronic books are increasingly popular among our users. We are improving our range of e-books constantly, adding new publications to existing collections, and new collections.

### World Scientific Publishing e-books 2005–2007

Subject areas include:

- Asian Studies
- Business and Management
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Economics and Finance
- Engineering
- Environmental Science
- General Interest
- Life Sciences
- Materials Science
- Mathematics
- Medicine and Healthcare
- Nanotechnology and Nanoscience
- Nonlinear Science
- Physics
- Social Science

### GEOnetBASE

We're adding 100 new titles covering:

- Agriculture and Agronomy
- Anthropology
- Botany and Plant Science
- Civil Engineering
- Coastal, Waterway and Ocean Engineering
- Construction Engineering
- Crop Science
- Forestry
- Geotechnical Engineering
- Molecular Biology
- Soil Science
- Structural Engineering
- Transportation Engineering

### Springer

We're extending our existing 13 subject areas from Springer with all their 2008 publications, including e-books, the Lecture Notes in Computer Science Series and Springer e-reference works.

### Referex 2008

We'll be adding 190 works to our existing collection of Referex engineering e-books, covering chemical, civil and environmental, computing, electrical, mechanical and materials, and networking and security engineering.

### SIAM 2008 e-books update

The most recent e-books from the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics will soon be available.

### ScienceDirect

We've added to our ScienceDirect e-book collection in:

- Chemistry (2008)
- Computer Science (2007–2008)
- Engineering (2008)
- Environmental Science (2008)
- Immunology and Microbiology (2008)
- Mathematics Collection (1995–2008)

### IGI e-books 2009

We're adding 211 new titles in information science, technology and management from IGI. Areas include:

- artificial intelligence
- biomedical technology and informatics
- business management
- information technology and systems
- computer networking technology
- databases, data mining and data warehousing
- distance learning
- electronic commerce
- electronic government
- health care information and management systems
- human, behavioural and social aspects of technology
- information security, privacy and ethics
- internet and web technologies and services
- knowledge management
- mobile computing and communications technologies
- multimedia technology
- online instruction
- systems engineering, programming, analysis and design.

### New reference works

- Wiley Encyclopedia of Computer Science and Engineering*
- Wiley Handbook of Child Psychology*
- Wiley Nanotechnology for the Life Sciences*
- McGraw Hill Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (Cengage)

### Music Online Reference collection

This contains four separate music reference collections.

African American Music Reference includes 2422 essays and images from 58 sources, covering blues, jazz, spirituals, civil rights songs, slave songs, rhythm and blues, gospel, and more.

Garland Encyclopedia of World Music is a comprehensive online resource for music research of all the world's peoples.

The Classical Music Reference Library includes *Baker's Dictionary of Music*, *Baker's Biographical Dictionary of Musicians*, and *Baker's Student Encyclopedia of Music*. It covers the medieval period to the present, with definitions of musical terms and biographical information on the major classical composers and artists.

The Classical Scores Library has important music scores, manuscripts, and previously unpublished material, allowing the analysis of 8000 scores across various composers and genres.

Further information: [www.westminster.gov.uk/libraries/ict/asp.cfm](http://www.westminster.gov.uk/libraries/ict/asp.cfm)

## Backfiles

Backfiles strengthen and add depth to the collection. They are previously published volumes, the acquisition of which often means the full set, back to volume 1, issue 1, is made available to the RMIT community. Backfiles are a great asset to research.

### SAGE Deep Backfiles

This provides access to more than 355 peer-reviewed full text journals via SAGE journals online back to the first issue. Subject areas covered are the scientific, technical and medical as well as the humanities and social sciences.

Further information is at: [www.sagepub.com/backfile](http://www.sagepub.com/backfile)

### American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Archives

This is a professional society devoted to progressing engineering and science in aviation, space and defence. Acquisitions include:

- AIAA Journal* (1963–2008)
- AIAA Journal of Aircraft* (1964–2008)
- AIAA Journal of Guidance, Control and Dynamics* (1978–2008)
- AIAA Journal of Power and Propulsion* (1985–2008).

### Taylor and Francis Archives

- Business, Management and Economics
- Education
- Geography, Urban Planning and Environment
- Politics, International Relations and Area Studies

### ScienceDirect Subject backfiles

- Energy and Technology
- Materials Science
- Mathematics including supplement 1
- Physical and Analytical Chemistry including Supplement 1

### Nature journal archives (from 1869)

We'll soon have the complete set of *Nature* back to the first issue.

### Blackwell backfiles

You'll be able to access the Blackwell backfiles from issue 1, for more than 500 journals from a range of disciplines.

### The Lancet Archive

This archive of medical journals will be on ScienceDirect.

## Improved catalogue

Over summer we've been improving the design of our catalogue. The result is a neater, cleaner display, and book cover thumbnails are included. Staff creating online courseware can now copy and paste links into your blackboard shell without having to edit the link. It is best viewed using Internet Explorer 7 or Firefox as your browser. Feedback is welcome: [mike.brooks@rmit.edu.au](mailto:mike.brooks@rmit.edu.au)

Our upgraded catalogue will also let you see what new books and AV have arrived. You will be able to search by location or timeframe. A New Titles tab will be visible from the search screen.

## Extending our business collection

### Informit Business Collection

This provides leading business research exploring issues, events and trends in Australia, New Zealand and the Asia-Pacific region.

### IBISWorld: eight extra reports

- Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
- Mining in Australia
- Wholesale Trade in Australia
- Accommodation, Cafes and Restaurants
- Government, Administration and Defence
- Education in Australia
- Cultural and Recreational Services
- Personal and Other Services

### NBER Working Papers

National Bureau of Economics Research provides working papers, data, and other resources for business professionals and public policy makers. You have access to NBER working papers covering:

- Aging
- Asset Pricing
- Children
- Corporate Finance
- Development of the American Economy
- Economics of Education
- Economic Fluctuations and Growth
- Environmental and Energy Economics
- Health Care
- Health
- Industrial Organisation
- International Finance and Macroeconomics
- International Trade and Investment
- Labour Studies
- Law and Economics
- Monetary Economics
- Political Economy
- Productivity
- Stocks, Bonds, and Foreign Currency/Asset Pricing
- Taxation/Public Economics/Government Spending
- Technical Working Papers

### Voumard's The Sale of Land

A complete guide to the sale and conveyancing of land in Australia, and based on the renowned *Voumard: Sale of Land in Victoria*, this contains relevant full text legislation. It is updated frequently to keep abreast of major cases and legislative change.

### SafetyLaw

SafetyLaw summarises occupational health and safety legal obligations from State and Commonwealth laws. Obligations are grouped according to sections in Australian Standard 4801, such as risk assessment, and workplace activities, such as manual handling.



New Catalogue page views: Search, item record and My Account display

## Further new resources

### Theatre in Video

This contains more than 250 of the world's most significant plays, and around 100 video documentaries. Works include those of Shakespeare, Samuel Beckett, Arthur Miller, Eugene O'Neill, Sean O'Casey, Sophocles, Heinrich von Kleist, Tennessee Williams, Anton Chekov, Jean Cocteau, Voltaire, and Henrik Ibsen.

With the earliest productions from the 1930s, it includes works by the Group Theater, Brecht's Berliner Ensemble, Jerzy Grotowski's Polish Laboratory Theatre. Contemporary productions include works by the Brooklyn Academy of Music and Broadway.

Theatre in Video enables comparative analysis of different productions and cross searching. You can browse by genre, artist, time period and place, and select a scene or the whole play to be streamed to your desktop. You can create custom clips and class-specific playlists, and bookmark specific scenes at permanent, per second URLs and include them in papers or course resources.

### JSTOR Arts and Sciences Collections V and VI

These add to our existing JSTOR journal collections I-IV. Collection V builds on JSTOR disciplines adding important literary reviews and state historical journals. It will widen the scope in areas such as philosophy, history, classics, religion, art and art history, and language and literature. By the end of 2009 the collection will contain 120 titles.

Collection VI will extend JSTOR's coverage in economics, education, linguistics, political science and area studies, with 120 titles expected by the end of 2010.

Further information and JSTOR titles lists are available at: [www.jstor.org/page/info/about/archives/collections.jsp](http://www.jstor.org/page/info/about/archives/collections.jsp)

### BRILL e-journals full package

The Brill package enriches our collection in history, religion, Islamic studies, Asian studies and classical studies, as well as specialist social science, scientific fields and international law.

### Berg complete e-journals collection

This focuses on culture and the visual arts and adds journals on fashion, photography, textiles, design, craft and sociology to our collection. Content is authoritative and peer reviewed. For further information go to: [www.bergpublishers.com/](http://www.bergpublishers.com/)

## Annual Reviews

We have just acquired the Annual Reviews sciences collection covering 34 areas in the sciences. Annual Reviews critically review the most significant primary research literature each year to guide you to the principal contributions in your field and help you keep up-to-date. Annual Reviews publications are among the most highly cited in scientific literature, as indexed by the Institute for Scientific Information's Journal Citation Report.

Further information about Annual Reviews is available at: [www.annualreviews.org/default.aspx](http://www.annualreviews.org/default.aspx)

## New photocopiers and printers

We are replacing the photocopying and printing equipment at all Library sites. The new equipment is being installed and managed by Fuji Xerox. The benefits of changing to newer technology will mean faster, clearer black and white and colour copies and prints, with greater service availability. Double sided copying and printing will be available as a default and some charges will be reduced. New enhancements will include remote account reload facilities (via the web) and EFTPOS reload facilities in Library sites.

## Improved Library spaces

Summer renovations at the Carlton Library include:

- 2 new discussion rooms
- a new casual reading area with new furniture
- relocated entrance, returns chutes, book display area
- new furniture for relocated computers
- relocation of existing large tables
- specifically designed area for adaptive technology equipment
- single service desk
- refurbished photocopy space
- replacement of computers

Renovations at the Brunswick Library include:

- a new entrance making it easier to get into the Library
- a new casual reading area
- a single service desk for student queries
- a refurbished look and feel



Refurbished spaces at Carlton and Brunswick Library sites

## Newsletter feedback

We are keen for your feedback! Please address comments and queries about this newsletter to:

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