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Multimedia Medical Internet Resources

eMedicine

Launched in 1996, www.eMedicine.com claims to comprise the largest and most current Clinical Knowledge Base available to physicians and other healthcare professionals. The eMedicine Clinical Knowledge Base contains 30,000 multimedia files. The free membership to e-medicine entitles you to receive the following: unlimited online access, full search capabilities for articles and multimedia, choice of newsletters and Case Study emails, and free interactive CME/CE materials.

URL: <http://emedicine.com/>

EurasiaHealth Knowledge Network – Resources for Health Professionals and Patients

The database of health education materials available in the languages of Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. Search by Document type – Multimedia Presentations (it includes video, audio files, and PowerPoint slides)

URL: <http://www.eurasiahealth.org/eng/health/resources/>

HEAL (Health Education Assets Library)

The Health Education Assets Library (HEAL) is a digital library of multimedia teaching resources for the health sciences. HEAL provides access to tens of thousands of images, videoclips, animations, presentations, and audio files that support healthcare education. The HEAL library contains two types of educational resources: the *HEAL Reviewed Collection* and the *Affiliate Collections*. HEAL does not require users to sign in to view resources or read the detailed description. Free registration and sign in remains for access to the Download Folder feature or to Submit resources for publication.

URL: <http://www.healcentral.org/services/servicesCollectionsList.jsp>

The Healthy Roads Media project

“Health information access is a basic healthcare need. Literacy, health-literacy, illness, aging, disability and language are all issues that can pose barriers to obtaining basic health information”. This site contains free health education materials in a number of languages (including Russian) and a variety of formats (web-video, audio, text, multimedia).

URL: <http://www.healthyroadsmedia.org/>

HONmedia

Health On the Net Foundation web-site was launched in March 1996, and “became one of the very first URLs to guide both lay users and medical professionals to reliable sources of healthcare information in cyberspace”. *HONmedia* is a unique repository of over 6,800 medical images and videos, pertaining to 1,700 topics and themes. This database has been created manually by HON and new image links are constantly being added from the World Wide Web. HON encourages users to make their own image links available via the "Submit an image" service.

URL: <http://www.hon.ch/Media/media.html>

OR Live

Live surgical video on the Internet: broadcasts of procedures in pediatrics, cardiology, obstetrics, gynecology, orthopedics, and other medical specialties.

URL: <http://www.or-live.com>

Public Health Image Library (PHIL)

The online CDC Public Health Image Library (PHIL) contains approximately 7,000 free public health-related images, including high-resolution photographs, illustrations, and videos devoted to topics ranging from science, to public health, to CDC. Most photos and illustrations are not copyrighted, although users should attribute CDC as the source where appropriate. Images are accessible by persons using both Windows and Macintosh operating systems. PHIL photos and illustrations are routinely used by health professionals, news media, and the general public to enhance news reports, health promotion brochures, manuscripts, classroom instruction, and presentations.

URL: <http://phil.cdc.gov/phil/home.asp>

Surgical-Tutor.org.uk: A free on-line resource

This site contains educational material aimed at those preparing for undergraduate and postgraduate surgical examinations. It includes clinical tutorials, a journal club, multiple-choice questions, revision notes, slide library, and a discussion group.

URL: <http://www.surgical-tutor.org.uk/>

Vesalius

The *Vesalius Clinical Folios* are a collection of graphical educational narratives on surgical anatomy and procedures designed for online reference and study. The four "Free Access Narratives" listed on the Vesalius home page are available to both subscribers and non-subscribers. These Narratives are selected randomly from the Clinical Folios and cycled through in pairs, with each pair replaced after two weeks. All of the images, illustrations, photographs, animations, and multimedia resources in the Vesalius Clinical Folios can be downloaded and used for non-commercial, short-term educational applications by Vesalius subscribers.

URL: <http://www.vesalius.com/about.asp>

Web Surg: World Virtual University

WebSurg is a virtual surgical university, accessible from anywhere in the world through the Internet. The WebSurg concept was launched by Professor Jacques Marescaux and his team at the European Institute of TeleSurgery (EITS) in Strasbourg, France. Its “goal is to provide the surgical community, scientific societies, medical teaching centers and industries with the first, worldwide, online training in

surgery, information on the latest surgical breakthroughs and the possibility to chat with surgeons and experts from all over the world". The Web-site presents the largest collection of educational programs in laparoscopic surgery. Free registration required.

URL: <http://www.websurg.com>

Google – Video Search

You can sort the results by duration (short, medium, long), date, title.

URL: <http://video.google.com/?hl=en&tab=wv&q=>

Fair Use Guidelines for Educational Multimedia

“Fair use is a legal principle that defines the limitations on the exclusive rights of copyright holders. The purpose of these guidelines is to provide guidance on the application of fair use principles by educators, scholars and students who develop multimedia projects using portions of copyrighted works under fair use rather than by seeking authorization for non-commercial educational uses”. This non-legislative report was adopted by the Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, Committee on the Judiciary, U. S. House of Representatives, on September 27, 1996

URL: <http://www.ccumc.org/copyright/ccguides.html>

Health Resources Digest Forthcoming Topics

[Provisional]

Critical Appraisal Tools; Electronic Patient Records; Copyright Issues on the Internet; Medical Calculators

If you have a suggestion for a Digest topic, or would like to contribute information about Internet resources, then please contact ibra@zadar.net

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