

# InfoMania



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## FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITOR :

That time of the year again! Seems like everyone realizes that the year is almost done, so all remaining social gatherings, all last minute to do's, all outstanding orders, all, are packed into September. Happy to let another Infomania see the light!

The year 2000, how exciting! So far we all survived the "Millinium Bug" , the world still exists and we are in the supposed "Futuristic Times". Remember when we were kids and every one thought by the year 2000 we will all drive space vehicles ....

Well at least all new databases and services provided by the Academic Information Service are as good as futuristic! Read more about them in this issue of Infomania.

Tertia Coetsee (Editor)

8<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Medical Librarians and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
ICAHIS (International Conference of Animal Health  
Information Specialists)  
2-5 July 2000

Erica van der Westhuizen and Tertia Coetsee attended the above mentioned conference in July 2000. Erica was asked to welcome all delegates as representative of the Animal Health Information Specialists Group at the Opening Ceremony. She also served on the panel of the International Conference on Animal Health Information Services, as Africa's representative. Tertia delivered a paper titled : "Information service in support of Veterinary education 2000 in Africa". ([www.up.ac.za/asservices/ais/vet/praat1.htm](http://www.up.ac.za/asservices/ais/vet/praat1.htm))  
The Faculty's CD-ROM products enjoyed much attention !

The conference started on Sunday 2 July 9:30 with registrations. Almost 1400 delegates, from all over the world, attended the conference. The venue: Queen Elizabeth II Conference Center, Westminster, London. The technology available was of high quality. Laptops with CD-ROM facilities, were available in all conference halls. An IT technician was always present to assist speakers with their specific IT needs.

Presentations were mostly of high informative quality. The greatest benefit was meeting colleagues from other similar institutions and the building of contacts.

Several libraries in London were also visited. The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons and the British Library. They also went to CAB International's head office in Oxfordshire.

In Edinburgh freezing "summer" weather was endured to visit the Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies and CLIVE, at Edinburgh University.

Article by: Tertia Coetsee

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## Exciting new web homepages to visit !

<http://www.refdesk.com/>

Kyk net na hierdie wonderlike webplek. Kyk na die FUN afdeling onder

regs, waar die top 50 wetenskaplike sites gelys word.

En dit gebruik GOOGLE!

A site listing all sorts of wonderful reference sites !

<http://web2.si.edu/resource/faq/nmnh/endsp6.htm>

List of References on Endangered, Threatened, and Recently Extinct Mammals

<http://molvis.sdsc.edu/visres/ready-to-use/titles.jsp>

which is: World Index of BioMolecular Visualization Resources

To really use it you will need the freely available:

CHIME

from:

<http://www.mdli.com/downloads/chime.html>

With this viewer molecules created in CHIME which is widely used for this purpose can be viewed in 3D.

Somewhat of a fun or school level site, but nevertheless handy.

A Beastly Garden Of Wordy Delights -

<http://www.sonic.net/~melissk/beastly.html>

A nice short page with a list of over 150 collective nouns for animals (a charm of finches); the commonly associated sounds that various animals make (ducks quack, deer bell); the various names given to animal young (a baby kangaroo is a joey); and animal adjectives (if you are foxlike, you're said to be vulpine).

Links to a few other collective noun sites. - de

Subjects: Names | Animals

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## CAB ON THE INTERNET

1) CAB International have brought out a new Internet search option for their database. You can register for a trial period by going to:

<http://www.cabdirect.org>

They have included the CAB HEALTH database in this version as well as the CAB we have used all the years.

Please test this product and give us feedback. If searching CAB in this way is not too slow (we are using the Internet after all!) we would seriously consider changing to this option as it will be cheaper than the CD ROM version we have been using and will be more up to date.

2) Another Internet option for searching CAB is currently being run at the Main Campus.

<http://erl.up.ac.za:8590>

We would appreciate receiving your feedback on this as well.

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Select Database or as many as you prefer.

Continue Advanced Search.

**Some of the databases included in this service.**

(Please see the alphabetical list for more databases.)

AGRICOLA	1970-
Current	
AIDS and Cancer Research Abstracts	1982-
Current	
ASFA: Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts Search	1978-
Current	
Biological Sciences Search subfiles	
1982-Current	
Biology Digest	
1989-Current	
Biotechnology and Bioengineering Abstracts	
1982-Current	
Conference Papers Index	1982-
Current	
Environmental Sciences and Pollution Mgmt Search subfiles	
1981-Current	
Internet & Personal Computing Abstracts	
1989-Current	
MEDLINE	1989-
current	
METADEX	1966-
Current	

## Cambridge Scientific Abstracts

**An Internet Database Service**

**URL : [www.csa1.co.uk](http://www.csa1.co.uk) or [www.csa2.com](http://www.csa2.com)**

***Username : upret***

***Password : upret2018***

Click on Subscriber

Use the username and password

**Click on enter**

Select a Subject area (have a look at Biological and Medical Sciences)

Select Advanced Search

Microbiology Abstracts

1981-Current

Oceanic Abstracts

Current

Plant Science

Current

TOXLINE

Current

Water Resources Abstracts

Current

Link To Environmental Routenet

Link To Water Resources Routenet

1981-

1994-

1994-

1967-



"BARRY IS A FINE EXAMPLE OF THE SUCCESS OF  
OUR CLEAR DESK POLICY"

For further information please feel free to contact us.

Article by: Antoinette Lourens

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### Database news !!!

**Zoological Record** - has moved.

The new address is :- <http://erl.up.ac.za:8590>

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## WEB OF SCIENCE

The group of reference databases known as WEB OF SCIENCE has been purchased by the Academic Information Service. They include *Science Citation Index* EXPANDED version, 1995 - present.

Under CITED REFERENCE SEARCH option you can check who has been citing your publications within the past 5 years.

To search go to <http://wos.isiglobalnet2.com>

No passwords required - just your firewall one.

This version enables one to check on any author of a publication regardless of his position ( whether he is first author or fifth author he will be indexed).

You are welcome to contact your information specialist for further details on using this database.

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## NEWS

By this time, everybody should be aware of [Tyds@tuks](http://www.up.ac.za/asservices/ais/TYDSTUKS/home.htm)(<http://www.up.ac.za/asservices/ais/TYDSTUKS/home.htm>), the electronic journal collection of the University of Pretoria. Those who don't know what I'm talking about, are welcome to visit the Academic Information service (library) for a training session in this wonderful product.

In this issue I want to introduce you to new journals that have been added to this webpage. Platforms and databases will also be discussed with special reference to Science Direct.

### New journals

Due to the fact that [Tyds@tuks](#), is continually changing to make it more powerful and user friendly, there is always something new to try out. New journals are being added monthly. Talking about new journals, have you seen the new e-journal for veterinarians, *Online Journal of Veterinary Research (1996-)*? For the horse lovers there is the *Essential Horse (1997-)*, added recently. Many other titles have been added since August 2000, that may interest you. Just visit the [Tyds@tuks](#) homepage and click on **New titles added since August**.

### Platforms and Electronic Journal Databases

The journals listed on this website come from different databases and platforms, each with their own unique interfaces and functionalities . Files are in HTML, PDF (for which you will need Adobe Acrobat Reader) or in RealPage.You may also need IBM techexplorer's Hypermedia Browser for mathematical and scientific markup.

**A Platform** defines the appearance and functionality of the databases or journal collection which it hosts. It may host different databases, including other types of databases. The same database or journal may appear on different platforms.

**Electronic Journals Databases** are in this context a database collection of web journals. In certain cases we buy the entire preselected collection (ABI/Inform, Academic Search Elite,

Accounting and Tax, Business Source Premier, Ebscomed, General Business File, Health Reference Center Academic, Master File Premier, Newspaper Source Plus) Otherwise we only have access to the journals to which we subscribe.

One of these platforms, that focus primarily on the field of science, is **ScienceDirect**. At the core of ScienceDirect is the Elsevier Science journal collection, with in-depth coverage in a wide spectrum of disciplines. In addition, ScienceDirect offers subscribers the opportunity to link from the wealth of secondary database records directly to the full-text article collection using the same easy-to-use interface.

On the homepage of **ScienceDirect**, you will find a **ScienceDirect demo**. This demo will take you step-by-step through their service, and show you the many features which make ScienceDirect an easy-to-use yet powerful research tool. This demo will show you how to browse the many publications available in journals and how to view an article you have found.

Remember that you can use [Tyds@tuks](mailto:Tyds@tuks) from your office, as well as from home, if you have internet access. Just register to get passwords. Use it and enjoy it!

For any queries in connection with [Tyds@tuks](mailto:Tyds@tuks), please contact Marguerite Nel @ 012 529 8009 or e-mail: [mnel@op.up.ac.za](mailto:mnel@op.up.ac.za)  
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## New CD-ROMs available in our Library

### CLIVE (COMPUTER-AIDED LEARNING IN VETERINARY EDUCATION)

CLIVE is a consortium of the six UK veterinary schools with the aim of making computer-aided learning an established part of veterinary education. The CLIVE head office is at the University of Edinburgh.

They have 4 associate members - University College Dublin, Ireland, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and the Agricultural University of Athens, Greece, Universidad de Santiago de Compostela, Lugo, Spain and the University of Pretoria.

They have a mailing list for members and associate members controlled by the CLIVE office : [clive-members@mailbase.ac.uk](mailto:clive-members@mailbase.ac.uk)  
They would like more lecturers from our faculty to join the list.

There are currently 10 titles in the CLIVE CDROM collection, now available on the OP network with extra copies available in the Library for taking out.

Further information on CLIVE (such as their Newsletter) is available in the Library.

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Optional Extras:

Two Colours (black & white)	R300.00
Leather Upholstery	R200.00
Milk Container for all year use	R100.00
4 Taps @ R25	R100.00
2 Fenders, hornplated @ R35	R70.00
Flyswat, halfautomatic	R60.00
Fertilizer Plant, biological	R120.00
Permanent 4 x 4	R800.00
Two Circuit Brake System (front & rear)	R200.00
Multitone horn	R270.00
Auto-shut halogen spots	R300.00
Multifuel engine	R2500.00

**Total:** Basic model plus extras R9820.00  
 Price exclusive of VAT and delivery costs

**"Optional Extras"**

A farmer is getting himself a new car and is really annoyed about the prices for the "optional extras" added onto the base model price. A little while later one of the directors of the car manufacturer buys a cow from the farmer for his holiday farm. This is the invoice the director receives:

1 Cow, base model R4800.00

