

RESEARCH SECTION

research begins in the library

Who are we?

Founded in 1982, the **Research Section of the Medical Library Association (MLA)** serves as a forum for collaboration and communication among health sciences librarians and other professionals having a special interest in library related research.

The Section promotes the importance of research and assessment to improve library practice and patient care. The Research Section is committed to the idea that librarians should base their professional decisions and actions on the best available evidence and seeks to:

- ▲ Recognize research excellence through the Section's Research Awards Program.
- ▲ Provide and promote education and training to support health sciences information research.
- ▲ Disseminate and promote health sciences information research through Section programs at the MLA Annual Meeting, the Section website and publications, and networking.
- ▲ Partner with MLA to enhance the research knowledge and skills of MLA members, advance the MLA Research Policy Statement, and develop and achieve the MLA Research Agenda.



Where to Join?

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What are the benefits of membership?

Research Section Website - research.mlanet.org/

Discover a wealth of research information and tools available to help you become an effective researcher.

Hypothesis - research.mlanet.org/hypothesis/

Read our online newsletter for interesting articles and the latest new information about library research -- publish results of your investigations in *Hypothesis*.

Research Section Online Communities

Connect with your peers and other research mentors and experts for news, trends, ideas, and advice. Talk to other colleagues on the Research Section Discussion List and Facebook.

Membership Directory

Join a network of friendly and like-minded colleagues interested in building research skills and applying library research and assessment to day-to-day library decisions and problems.

Continuing Education Opportunities

Participate in MLA CE classes and symposia and a wide array of professional activities tailored for the librarian researcher.

Leadership Opportunities

Take an active role in one of many committees or programs; add section activities to your resume; earn points of professional activities to renew and advance your membership in the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP).

Collaborate with research groups in chapters and other associations.

Share your ideas and speak your voice through surveys, feedback, and advocacy programs.



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