Mount Sinai Health System community,

We are happy to announce the establishment of the Levy Library Press!

The purpose of the Levy Library Press is to create a journal publication platform that will host Open Access journals driven by the Icahn School of Medicine departments, training areas and programs. These journals will enable the publications of high quality peer reviewed articles while providing education and training in areas of scholarly publishing.

Opening a journal is not an easy task. First, you need to find a specialized niche, not covered by existing journals. This requires conducting an extensive search through indexing databases such as Scopus, Web of Science and PubMed as well as reviewing related journals to ensure that none of them cover the exact content you are interested in publishing.

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Once you find a unique area and feel confident that your journal offers specialized coverage, you will need a strong editorial board. Editorial boards are crucial to the success of the journal since they first and foremost provide your newly formed journal with the credibility it needs in order to be launched. With today’s endless warnings about predatory publishing and fake journals, your editorial board is your strongest authenticity credential. The editorial board should be comprised of experts in the journal’s field who have published extensively and can direct the journal’s content as well as its calls for papers.

Remember that you will have to convince authors to submit the product of their hard work, their manuscript, to your newly formed journal that will not have any impact measures in the first couple of years. That is not simple since most authors want to be published in the highest impact journal rather than an anonymous one. Your editorial board can be of help as its members lend their names and reputations as guarantee of the quality of the journal and its professional oversight practices. Work with your editorial board to draft a strong statement for the journal that will clarify its scope, goals, type of articles accepted, potential audience and contributors. This information should be included on your journal site so that authors and readers can access it at any time. Other types of critical information include research integrity guidelines, the submission and peer review process, and publications schedules.

Additionally, costs should be taken into consideration. The Levy Library Press is an Open Access journal platform. This means that your journal will be charging authors for article processing fees or may consider sponsoring the authors. Article processing fees begin at $500 per article, depending on the services that you require. Our vendor, Ubiquity, charges that fee in order to provide copy and language editing, type setting, and online linking. If you would like to keep the journal free for both authors and readers you will likely need between $15,000-$20,000 in the first year. These fees will increase as the amount of articles published in your journal increases.

What do we offer?
The Levy Library team is maintaining the platform and manages the relationship with the vendor Ubiquity. In addition, we can assist with the following:

1. E-ISSN application at OCLC.
2. Setting up your journal site.
3. Implementing articles metrics.
4. Promoting your journal and articles

To learn more please contact refdesk@mssm.edu or visit levylibrarypress.org
Did you know that the Levy Library offers custom instruction sessions on topics such as Advanced Literature Searching, Journal Selection & Submission, and Reference Management? Levy Librarians regularly teach these important skills to students, faculty, and staff as part of various ISMMS programs.

**New Resource**

Sam Walsh, Manager of Information & Education Services

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**Sample instruction sessions**

We are excited to announce our **Custom Instruction Guide**, which describes our various instructional offerings as well as details the amount of time needed to teach each module. Faculty members, program managers, residency directors, and others are encouraged to browse our offerings and design a session that best meets the needs of their group. For example, a group of residents new to ISMMS would benefit from an introduction to the library and the clinical information tools available. Or perhaps a research team would like to begin using EndNote reference management software collaboratively to organize a library and write papers and grants. Levy Librarians can provide all of this useful content and more! Our instructional offerings are designed to be mixed and matched in order to focus on the resources and research skills of greatest interest to students, residents, and other trainees.

Levy Librarians are excited to offer our extensive instructional options to the larger ISMMS community. We encourage program directors and administrators to peruse our Custom Instruction Guide to learn more about the variety of educational offerings the library can provide. Then, simply complete our Instruction Request Form to request a custom session for your group. A librarian will be in touch to design a custom session for the time allotted that will meet the needs of your group.

Visit [libguides.mssm.edu/classes/instructionmenu](libguides.mssm.edu/classes/instructionmenu)

Questions? **Email refdesk@mssm.edu**!

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**Across Social**

Happy National Library Week from Levy Library!

One of our most popular recent Facebook posts!

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**Community Voices**

Name: Slavena Salva Nissan

Hometown: Brooklyn, NY

Status at Mount Sinai: Second year medical student

**Why I use the Library:**

“As a student, Levy Library has been an important space for me over the last two years. You’ll find me printing out lecture slides, going through my emails, or studying (and sometimes listening to music!) in one of the cubicles. I’m also grateful that the library has partnered with SinaiArts for our chalkboard project where we ask library users to contribute to a monthly theme. In addition to being a space for individual learning, libraries can also provide an opportunity for our community to connect.”
Upcoming Classes at Levy Library

Visit [libcal.mssm.edu](http://libcal.mssm.edu) to register

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Mount Sinai Beth Israel

Linda Paulls, Medical Librarian and Library Manager of MSBI, co-presented with MSBI nurse educator Mary Ellen Cafiero, to the MS Downtown Med-Surg Nursing Council on “Preparing to Write a Literature Review.” The education session covered important tips to define the type and scope of the literature review, searching, and tips for organizing your findings. Mary Ellen spoke about research proposals, using heart failure and self-management as a topic. In addition to teaching EBP, the MS Downtown nursing councils are encouraging and teaching nurses how to publish research.

Interested in education sessions at Beth Israel? Contact LibraryMSBI@mountsinai.org

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Mount Sinai St. Luke’s

Upcoming Lunch and Learn:

**Putting Evidence in Evidence-Based Nursing**

**Date:** Friday, May 11th, 1:00pm – 2:00pm

**Location:** Mount Sinai St. Luke’s, Conference Room D

**Description:** Join Jennifer Kaari, Mount Sinai St. Luke's medical librarian, for a lunch and learn on using library resources to find evidence-based answers to your clinical questions. We will highlight the specialty resources that support nursing practice, research and quality improvement. Lunch will be served.

Questions?
Contact MSSLWLibrary@mountsinai.org

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Mindful Medicine: Narrative Medicine Workshop

**Tuesday, May 29, 4:00pm - 5:30pm**

Annenberg 11-46, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

**Introduction to EndNote**

**Monday, June 4, 2:00pm - 3:00pm**

Annenberg 11-46, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

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