Walaeus Library

This leaflet contains information about the Walaeus Library, LUMC’s medical library. The primary library users are employees and students working and studying at LUMC. Walaeus Library is also accessible for third parties wishing to consult the collection.

Access and facilities

*The library opening hours are:*

- Monday to Thursday: 8.30 am - 9.00 pm
- Friday: 8.30 am - 5.00 pm

Other opening hours apply during holiday periods and around the festive season. Please consult the website for up-to-date information: [www.lumc.nl/walaeus](http://www.lumc.nl/walaeus)

On request, LUMC staff can obtain authorisation to access the library outside opening hours.

Coats and bags should be stored in the lockers in the cloakroom. Food and drink is not permitted in the library, with the exception of bottled water.

A book return box is available in the cloakroom for returning books outside library opening hours. At those times, it is only possible to access the corridor using an LUMC badge.

The library has approximately 100 study spaces. Library files can be consulted via seven PCs. The library also has study rooms with PCs for LUMC students. Printing, scanning and copying facilities are also available.

Access to the collection and digital sources

This is possible via the websites below:

- [www.lumc.nl/walaeus](http://www.lumc.nl/walaeus): the Walaeus Library website offers information about its services and is the access portal to the online catalogue, online books, online journals and journal lists, as well as various databases.

*HomeAccess (ThuisToegang)*

LUMC employees with a ULCN account or make use of [access.lumc.nl](http://access.lumc.nl) can consult the library’s digital files from outside the LUMC. You can find more information about this on the website under *FAQ > ThuisToegang*.

Collection, catalogue and sites

The Walaeus Library collection can be divided into a paper section and a digital section:

1. *Paper collection*

These books (over 41,000 including theses and lectures) and journals are stored in open bookcases. The book collection is
arranged by subject in accordance with the National Library of Medicine (NLM) classification system. Theses and lectures are arranged by author in the year of publication. Search for location codes via the catalogue at http://catalogue.leidenuniv.nl by searching on title word, author or keyword.

Paper journals (approximately 100) are arranged in alphabetical order. Recent editions are stored in separate display cabinets.

2. **Digital collection**

   This collection comprises approximately 5,200 online books and almost 10,000 online journals. Various bibliographic files are also available digitally, such as PubMed, Embase, Web of Science, Cochrane Library, Emcare and UpToDate.

   Online journals and files can be found via www.lumc.nl/walaeus and via http://catalogue.leidenuniv.nl. In many cases, you can obtain access to the full article text via the Leiden Get-it button. These can also be accessed via the BrowZine app. Also see information about ThuisToegang.

**Loans and requests**

Library materials can be borrowed using an LU Card. LUMC staff can request this LU Card from the Information Desk on presentation of their LUMC badge. For more information about the LU Card, visit: www.lu-card.leidenuniv.nl.

Various loan groups can borrow books for free, including UL/LUMC students and staff, and students from other Dutch universities and universities of applied science. Other borrowers can purchase a card for € 30 per year.

Books with a yellow binding, loose-leaf works, manuals and student textbooks are for reference and cannot be loaned. Generally, journals are also not available for loan.

The loan period is three weeks. If you wish to extend the loan period for materials or reserve books that are on loan, you can use the online catalogue or visit or call the Information Desk. A fine may be imposed if books are returned late or if an extension for materials was not requested in time.

If the required literature is not available in the Walaeus Library, this can be requested from elsewhere for the applicable rates. Please see the request form on our website for this under Aanvragen/Formulieren (Requests/Forms) https://www.lumc.nl/org/walaeus/aanvragen-formulieren

**Help with searching**

Library staff can offer practical help for literature reviews and in setting alerts. They can also help with questions regarding the bibliographic software, EndNote. Furthermore, they can provide presentations and training in departments on request. You can find more information
on the website under Aanvragen/Formulieren: https://www.lumc.nl/org/walaeus/aanvragen-formulieren

**Information skills**

Students receive training in information skills, provided by Walaeus Library staff. Teaching is also offered in various additional and further education programmes.

Various E-learning modules that everyone can follow as self-study, are available under E-learning modules on the Walaeus Library website, including PubMed, Embase, Web of Science, Systematic Literature Research and Endnote.

**Introduction to library use**

After registering, you can follow an introduction to using the library. The introduction comprises a tour of the library and information about the website, catalogue, online journals and HomeAccess. Introductions generally take place on Thursdays from 4.00 pm but can, on request, take place at other times and be given in English.

More information about the Walaeus Library, its collection, databases and services:

P: Information Desk on C 1-Q 66
T: 071-526 3890
E: walaeus@lumc.nl
I: www.lumc.nl/walaeus
N: www.twitter.com/walaeus

**Relevant internet addresses**

- www.lumc.nl/walaeus
- www.lumc.nl/pubmed (Leidse PubMed)
- http://catalogue.leidenuniv.nl
- www.lumc.nl/org/walaeus/aanvragen-formulieren/
- https://www.lumc.nl/org/walaeus/aanvragen-formulieren/thuistoegang/
- www.bibliotheek.leidenuniv.nl
- www.voorzieningen.leidenuniv.nl/ulcn
- www.voorzieningen.leidenuniv.nl/lu-card