



THE LIBRARY OF THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE UCM



The library of the School of Medicine of the Complutense University of Madrid, reopened and completely remodeled in 2017 with the name of Dr. Elvira Arquiola Llopis. It is one of the most important libraries in the country and possibly by the origin of its collection, the most important in terms of quality and quantity of its own collection due, to the investment constantly made by the School in the maintenance of its collections and its services, essential in medical training.

The historical collection of medicine prior to 1800 was relocated to the Marques de Valdecilla historical library in 1999 and is one of the most important in Europe, with numerous incunabula manuscripts and exceptional medical works, such as the first edition of the book "*De humani corporis fabrica*" by Andrea Vesalio.

It is also worth mentioning the exceptional collection donated by Professor Francisco Guerra. The incorporation of the library of the physician and bibliophile Don Francisco Guerra to the Complutense's patrimony was an unique occasion that will be difficult to repeat.

At present, the deposits house the collection of the 19th century of great value, as well as the collection of memories of spas, a unique and very important collection of the balneothermal facilities of the country in the 19th century. We also keep in our collection the doctoral thesis of D. Santiago Ramón y Cajal, as well as that of Dr. Gregorio Marañón and others of distinguished Spanish doctors of the 19th century and the first third of the 20th century,

The library is also a pioneer in the self-lending of laptops for study and has been responsible for the introduction of the self-lending of books, to facilitate student access to the collections. We have 227 reading stations, of which we have now had to reduce to 92 due to the Pandemic, as well as several equipped training and group work rooms,

We have scanner and electronic information consultation services, with a powerful WIFI network that allows permanent access to electronic resources.

The library, together with the School, has been a "preferred partner" in the development of the e-book WEB platform: Clinical Key Medical Student, together with the publisher Elsevier, and has been the first European library to have this web platform with access to the basic medical bibliography in Spanish, downloadable to portable devices and Smart phones.

As the coordinating library of the health sciences campus, it heads the user-training project called BYPASS, which provides numerous training workshops on all the electronic resources and databases available at the BUC and which has served as a model for the training platform of the libraries of the science area.

Currently, with the COVID 19 pandemic, it has increased online training and is constantly renewing and testing all its learning resources in order to provide all non-face-to-face training options on an ongoing basis.

HISTORY

- 1783 San Carlos Royal College of Medicine and Surgery. Charles III.
- 1786. The library is opened
- 1795 The Royal Study of Practical Medicine is created.
- 1797 Its library is opened
- 1799 Both institutions merge, but maintain their independent libraries.
- Plan of 1827, extended by the Plan of 1829. Definitive merger of both libraries
- 1845 the Royal College of Medicine and Surgery changes its name to San Carlos School of Medicine. University of Madrid
- 1845 Separation of the faculties of Medicine and Pharmacy.
- 1858 School of Archivists, Librarians and Archaeologists. First Technical Director.

UNIVERSITY CITY OF MADRID

- First stage (1927-1930)
- The Construction Board Layout of the University City of Madrid.
- Second stage (1931-1936)
- Arrival of the Second Republic in 1931
- On January 15, 1933, the east wing of the School of Philosophy and Letters was inaugurated. The university complex was inaugurated for the first time.
- War in the University City (November 1936, March 1939)
- The library at war. The only library on the Campus in service.
- Third stage (Reconstruction)
- 1943 School of Philosophy and Government Pavilion.

- 1945 the schools of Naval Engineering and Forestry, the School of Stomatology (now the School of Dentistry), and the Schools of Physical Sciences and Mathematics were inaugurated.
- In 1949, the School of Medicine was inaugurated, followed by the Clinical Hospital, and in 1956 the School of Law was opened.
- 1956 the Law School was opened.
- In 1954, the Library and the bibliographic collection were definitively reinstalled.
- 1955 reopened to the public
- 2017. Complete remodeling of the Library

HOLDINGS AND COLLECTIONS

Subjects:

Medicine, Anatomy, Physiology, Pharmacology, Surgery, Pediatrics, Radiology and Physical Medicine History of Medicine, Medical Hydrology, Psychiatry, Legal Medicine, Occupational Therapy, and Human Nutrition and Dietetics.

Holdings:

- Printed books: 195,687 vols. (18,000 in open access)
- Printed periodical publications: 4.701
- Manuscripts: 10,864 (theses, memoirs...)
- 19th century volumes (since 1830): 9.123
- Special materials (Videos, CDs, DVDs, etc.): 3,903

Printed collections:

- Books: the most recent and in-demand works are located in the room in the open access collection (green shingle and FR symbol), arranged by subject, according to the Universal Decimal Classification, and the rest of the works are located in the deposit collection (white shingle and DE symbol).
- The reference collection (red shingle and symbol BR).
- The leisure collection (DVD films and literature) is also open access.
- Paper journals: They are located in different repositories. Most of our journals are accessible in full-text electronic format.
- CDs and other special materials: they can be requested at the lending desk (symbol M).
- Manuscripts, pamphlets, theses, etc.: located in the repository, they are requested at the lending desk (miscellaneous symbols).

Electronic books:

Medical e-books in Spanish:

- CLINICAL KEY STUDENT: WEB platform / medical learning database, with access to Elsevier's electronic health sciences manuals More than 158 downloadable full-text bibliographic titles. <https://www.clinicalkey.com/student>
- INGEBOOK: more than 200 titles on various subjects, including physiology, medicine, etc. <https://www.ingebook.com/ib/NPortada?CodPortada=1000180>
- PANAMERICANA/EUREKA. Access through alphabetical listing. Video tutorial. Biblioguide. <https://www.medicapanamericana.com/digital/ebooks/buscador>
- E-BOOK: books and other academic materials from all disciplines, including Medicine, Life Sciences, Psychology... <https://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/universidadcomplutense-ebooks/home.action>
- HARRISON MEDICINA in Spanish. Principles of Internal Medicine. User's Guide (Biblioguías UCM). <https://accessmedicina.mhmedical.com/book.aspx?bookid=2461>
- INTERACTIVE ATLAS OF RADIOLOGICAL ANATOMY / TOMÁS SEMPERE DURÁ. https://anatomiaradiologica.com/ucm_campus/
- MANUAL SEEN DE ENDOCRINOLOGÍA Y NUTRICIÓN. (Access from the UCM network or connected with VPN). <https://www.seen.es/portal/manual>
- E-LIBRARY: collection of manuals in Spanish from Elsevier (Nursing and Veterinary). As of January 1, 2019, access to these titles from the E-Library platform is not guaranteed. You will be able to access and download all of them, along with Elsevier publisher's Spanish-language health sciences e-books on ClinicalKey Student. <https://www.elsevierelibrary.es/bookshelf>

Medical e-Books in English

- All the collections of journals and e-books subscribed by the Library. <https://biblioteca.ucm.es/med/fondos-y-colecciones-1>
- Digital collections of the historical collection of Medicine <https://biblioteca.ucm.es/med/colecciones-digitales-del-fondo-historico-de-medicina>
- Digital collection of Spanish mineral-medicinal waters and baths (19th and 20th centuries). <https://biblioteca.ucm.es/med/coleccion-digital-de-aguas>
- Collection of doctoral theses of illustrious Spanish physicians <https://webs.ucm.es/BUCM/med/13743.php>
- Cajal digital collection: Nobel Complutense <https://biblioteca.ucm.es/med/coleccion-digital-cajal-nobel-complutense>
- Historical Spanish Doctors (XVIII, XIX and early XX centuries) (Database under constant construction) <https://webs.ucm.es/BUCM/med/archivo/>
- Digital collection of Anatomy books <https://webs.ucm.es/BUCM/med/42817.php>

Electronic journals:

- New England Journal of Medicine
- Nature Medicine
- Science Direct (Elsevier) Collection, since 1995-
- SpringerLink Collection, since 1997
- Wiley Online Library Collection

- PNAS since 1915
- All electronic journal

