Welcome to the Kohn Library Newsletter

Message from Elaine Wells, Library Director

The Kohn Vision Science Library has always made it a priority to stay at the forefront: with the latest vision care resources, medical information, electronic content, and access tools. But it has been a long time since we’ve had a physical “face lift.”

So we are doing that now. Beneath the layers of plastic that are protecting our books and journals, workers are opening up the Library to let the sun shine in. We will be reducing the size of our stacks as electronic resources replace print. We are knocking down a few walls here and there in order to increase our seating capacity. We are getting new (and better) lighting, nice carpeting, and best of all, comfortable chairs and work areas. Our Library will be better outfitted to accommodate different learning styles with spaces for quiet as well as group study.

We are trying to do most of the work during summer months over the next several years, when the Library is a bit less populated and no one is studying for exams. Changes will be incremental but you will see some of the changes right away, in more open spaces, more natural light, and more comfortable seating.

Many of you are no longer local and so may not get to see our new Library for a while. Please be assured, however, that we will provide the same level of committed service to everyone, even those who access us remotely. Our staff is ready to service your research and information needs wherever you are.

We will keep you apprised of our progress with some “before” and “after” pictures and will let you know how things are coming along. And whether you visit us virtually or in person…we look forward to welcoming you.

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Library Director
Beginning of Library Renovation
Site of the Month

Vision Science Society

www.visionsciences.org

The Vision Science Society is committed to progress in understanding vision, and its relation to cognition, action and the brain.

The Vision Science Society is a nonprofit membership organization of scientists who are interested in the functional aspects of vision. It was founded in 2001 with the main purpose of holding an annual meeting that brings together in one forum scientists from the broad range of disciplines that contribute to vision and cognitive psychology. The scientific content of these meetings reflects the breadth of topics in modern vision science.

The Journal of Vision is an online, open access, peer-reviewed scientific journal devoted to all aspects of visual function in humans and other organisms. The Journal is published by the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO)

A Sample of Articles in the recent Journal of Vision

Pupil dilation to illusory motion in peripheral drift images: Perception versus reality Open Access
Steve Beukema; Jay A. Olson; Ben J. Jennings; Frederick A. A. Kingdom

Perception of object illumination depends on highlights and shadows, not shading Open Access
Susan F. te Pas; Sylvia C. Pont; Edwin S. Dalmaijer; Ignace T. C. Hooge

Using optic flow in the far peripheral field Open Access
Meaghan McManus; Sarah D'Amour; Laurence R. Harris


Peripheral Vision Varies From Person to Person. And ‘bad spots’ get even worse if there’s a lot too look at, study says. https://medlineplus.gov/news/fullstory_164630.html


New Books in the Library

Glaucoma Surgery

Macular Edema

Making Eye Health a Population Health Imperative: Vision for Tomorrow

Vision Therapy: Success Stories From Around the World

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Clinical Vision Research Center (CVRC)

A clinical trial is a research study involving human subjects that is designed to answer specific questions about the safety and efficacy of a medical intervention (drug, treatment or device) or new ways of using a known drug, treatment of device. We all benefit every day from clinical research. Any medical treatment you receive is available to you because of research that showed the treatments are safe and effective.

The CVRC in partnership with the SUNY faculty are working together on research to advance all aspects of vision care. Clinical research studies need volunteers of all ages and backgrounds in order to help researchers develop new and better medical treatments.

Study Spotlight: Pediatric Studies

IXT5
Children 3-10 years of age may be eligible to participate in a study to evaluate the effectiveness of overminus glasses in treating intermittent exotropia.

ATS20
Children 4-12 years of age may be eligible to participate in a study to evaluate the effectiveness of using a binocular game played on an iPad® for treatment of lazy eye.

All participants of either study will receive compensation for their time and may receive eye exams or glasses free of charge. These are national, multi-center, National Eye Institute funded clinical trials with ongoing enrollment. We encourage you to consider these unique opportunities for your patients.

To find out more about this study or other research opportunities, please visit www.sunyopt.edu/CVRC or contact us by phone at 212-938-4052 or email at clinicresearch@sunyopt.edu.
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