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MANCHESTER LEADS THE WAY IN ACCESSING ONLINE MEDICINES DATA

John Rylands University Library at the University of Manchester has become the world's first subscriber to *MedicinesComplete*, a comprehensive online resource giving access to leading drug and healthcare references including; *Martindale*, the *British National Formulary*, *Stockley's Drug Interactions*, *Herbal Medicines*, the *Handbook of Pharmaceutical Excipients*, *Dietary Supplements* and *Clarke's Analysis of Drugs and Poisons*.

MedicinesComplete is published by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain's Pharmaceutical Press. John Rylands' subscription is part of a special package providing online access to the complete suite of databases to all students and faculty staff within the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences and other allied disciplines.

Dr Diana Leitch, Deputy University Librarian (Information Resources and Academic Support) at John Rylands University Library said: "We are delighted to be able to offer *MedicinesComplete* to our students and staff. Student projects and research will be enhanced by having access to this electronic database across campus and at all times."

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Charles Fry, the Society's Director of Publications, said: "*MedicinesComplete* is an exciting new way of accessing the wealth of pharmaceutical information produced by the pharmaceutical press. The Society places particular importance on education and training and is making the product available at attractive rates for the higher education market. We are delighted that the John Rylands University Library at the University of Manchester has decided to become the first organisation in the world to take out a full subscription to *MedicinesComplete* for all its staff and students."

For further information on *MedicinesComplete*, please contact the sales team on 020 7572 2464 or e-mail sales@medicinescomplete.com. Information is also available online at www.medicinescomplete.com. For information regarding JRUL's subscription, contact Diana Leitch on 0161 275 3700 or e-mail: diana.leitch@manchester.ac.uk.

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Notes to editors

The Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain is the professional and regulatory body for pharmacists in England, Scotland and Wales.

The primary objective of the Society is to lead, regulate and develop the pharmacy profession.

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The Society has responsibility for a wide range of functions that combine to assure competence and fitness to practise. These include controlled entry into the profession, education, registration, setting and enforcing professional standards, promoting good practice, providing support for improvement, dealing with poor performance, dealing with misconduct and removal from the register.

In addition, the Society leads and supports the development of the profession in the public interest and promotes the profession's policies and views to a range of external stakeholders in a number of different forums.