

CASE STUDY

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Dawn McMillen, Library Resources Supervisor at Stryker Orthopaedics

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SUMMARY

Dawn McMillen is a library resources supervisor, so it is her task to ensure that her colleagues have all the information they need for their work. She uses Embase to overcome the challenge of always needing to deliver the right information.

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3 THINGS YOU LIKE ABOUT EMBASE

1. The ability to search for specific products by name
2. The user-friendly interface and features
3. The “Author Search” feature

How long have you been with Stryker Orthopaedics?

I’ve been here as supervisor of library resources for 3 years.

What is the focus of your work?

Information delivery. It’s that simple. I have to make sure that my requestors get the information they need in the most complete and accurate form as quickly as possible. I perform literature searches, deliver documents, manage our permanent collection, and archive company material.

What inspires and motivates you?

I work in a company that makes people’s lives better. I take the responsibility of delivering needed information to my requestors very seriously.

What keeps you awake at night?

Locating the right information and being able to deliver it quickly and efficiently to my requestors. Thinking about what resources can best serve my requestors.

How does Embase support you?

I use Embase for literature searches – this may include both topic and product related searches. That’s the tool from Embase I find to be the most valuable; if one of my requestors is looking for articles written about a specific product on the market, Embase can locate that information. I have an alert compiled to send me the newest product-related articles at the beginning of each month. This email helps me to be aware of potential hot topic requests.

Would you recommend Embase to your colleagues?

Yes. Embase is a complete information resource. One of the most amazing things about Embase is that the entire article is indexed for terms and product names. For medical devices, being able to locate information on a specific product is a huge plus.

Additionally, the support from Elsevier has been fantastic. A trainer from Elsevier came out to my location and provided one-hour training for a number of users. The training was engaging and informative. The trainer has been invited back to the campus for another event in the fall.