



Pituitary Dwarfism

Locating Information in Books

There are not many books devoted to just pituitary dwarfism. However, there are books about medical and endocrine disorders/diseases that will contain information about topics such as pituitary dwarfism.

- Use the index in the back of each of these books in order to find information about specific disorders/medical conditions, such as pituitary dwarfism.
- *The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy* - Reference RC 55 .M4 2006. Look on pages 1183 - 1185. An online version of *The Merck Manual* is available at:
<http://www.merck.com/mrkshared/mmanual/home.jsp>
- *Encyclopedia of Endocrine Diseases and Disorders*. Reference RC 649 .P48 2005. There is not a lot here but look on pages 69 - 71, especially page 70.
- *The Endocrine System* - Reference QP 187 .W34 2004. Look at pages 146 and 147.

Online Reference Books:

Gale Encyclopedia of Medicine is a reference book that is accessed through [InfoTrac's Health Reference Center Academic](#).

For OFF-Campus access, please use your Delta College username and password. For help, please call the Reference Desk (989) 686-9560.

Locating Information in Periodicals

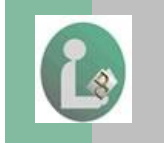
Search the following online databases/indexes to locate journal articles (electronic format) on your topic:

[InfoTrac](#) is available from the [Delta Library website \(Journals and Magazines\)](#), either on campus or remotely with password. For OFF-Campus access, use your Delta College username and password. For help, please call Delta Reference Desk (989) 686-9560.

[Medline](#), within **FirstSearch**, is a different medical database (index) that will lead you to a few scholarly articles about pituitary dwarfism. You can click on either link, or go to the [Delta Library website \(Journals and Magazines\)](#), either on campus or remotely. For OFF-Campus access, use your Delta College username and password. For help, please call Delta Reference Desk (989) 686-9560.

Once you see the main search screen for Medline :

1. Type pituitary dwarfism within the white search box next to "Search for:"
2. Before clicking on the "Search" button, you need to make a choice:
 - Most people want to see the full-text of the article on the computer. To do this, click within the white box next to "Limit to:" and "Full text."
 - If there are not many full-text articles, the next choice would be to find journals that are located within Delta Library. Click within the white box next to "Subscriptions held by my library (EDK,



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NOTE: Please do NOT click both boxes at the same time.

- If you do not check either box, you will get A LOT of articles that are suppose to contain the word "pituitary dwarfism." Many of these may not be what you want and most will not be located at Delta College Library. However, you can interlibrary loan, for free, articles that look like they may help. The interlibrary loan process takes, at least, two weeks or more.
3. Once you decide on which box to check or not check, click on the "Search" button.
 4. You will be presented with a list of citations for journal articles that should have something to do with pituitary dwarfism. NOTE: MOST, but not all, are scholarly journals in Medline.

[PubMed](#) is a service of the National Library of Medicine, that provides access to over 11 million MEDLINE citations back to the mid-1960's and additional life science journals. PubMed also links to sites with full-text articles and resources.

TIP: PubMed offers a link to "limit" your search. By clicking on "Limits", you can limit the search to free full-text (entire article) and you can limit to articles presented in English.

Here are some examples of scholarly journal articles that can be found in peer-reviewed journals by using indexes such as Medline (FirstSearch), InfoTrac, and PubMed:

Bajpai, A. and Menon, P. S. (2005). Growth hormone therapy. *Indian Journal of Pediatrics*,
72 (2), 139-44.

(This is a scholarly journal article from "*Indian Journal of Pediatrics* " which is a peer-reviewed (refereed) journal. This article is NOT a "research" article but it does give a good overview of using growth hormone therapy to help treat the lack of growth hormone being produced by the pituitary gland. This publication is not owned by Delta Library, so the article will need to be interlibrary loaned, for free, from another library. Please see a Reference Librarian for assistance).

Lee, E. J. and Jameson, J. L. (2005). Gene therapy of pituitary diseases. *Journal of Endocrinology*, 185 (3), 353-62.

(This is a scholarly journal article from "*Journal of Endocrinology* " which is a peer-reviewed (refereed) journal. This article is NOT a "research" article but it does give a good overview of how "gene therapy also offers innovative strategies for treating hypopituitarism by replacing hormones such as growth hormone (GH) and vasopressin." This article is not within Delta Library but it can be retrieved through PubMed. You can try this direct link to the article: <http://joe.endocrinology-journals.org/cgi/content/full/185/3/353>.)

Miller, K. (2002). Growth hormone therapy: determining appropriate use. *Advance for Nurse Practitioners*, 10 (3),
89-92, 95-96.

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Locating Information on the World Wide Web

Health A to Z: Your Family Health Site at:

http://www.healthatoz.com/healthatoz/Atoz/ency/pituitary_dwarfism.jsp

Medline Plus at:

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/001176.htm>

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