

Preview of eBooks on EBSCOhost® Now Available
 ~ NetLibrary Users Being Introduced to a New Way to Search
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IPSWICH, Mass. — March 22, 2011 — A year after acquiring NetLibrary™ from OCLC, EBSCO Publishing (EBSCO) is releasing a preview of eBooks on EBSCOhost®. The preview will allow librarians and end users to see how their library’s collection of eBook titles from EBSCO/NetLibrary is being integrated into EBSCOhost, allowing for a more comprehensive and powerful search experience. Current customers will be able to explore their own eBook collections on EBSCOhost. The preview is designed to showcase the look and feel of eBooks on EBSCOhost and provide a live environment for librarians and users to test and trial the functionality.

EBSCOhost libraries will be able to access the preview site through the Try New Features link on EBSCOhost. NetLibrary users will see a banner with the link on the NetLibrary interface. A link to a survey will be included on the preview, and results will be monitored during the preview period which will end with the migration from NetLibrary to EBSCOhost in July.

The screenshot displays the EBSCOhost search results page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'New Search', 'Publications', 'Subjects', 'Images', and 'More'. Below this is a search bar containing the query 'Renewable energy sources that use indigenous resources' and a 'Search' button. The search results are displayed in a list format, with the first result being 'Renewable Energy in Power Systems' by Freris, L. L.; Infield, D. G. The second result is 'Renewable Energy Technology' (cover story) by Daugherty, Michael K.; Carter, Vinson R. The third result is 'Sustainable Energy and the OAS.' by Nickel, Brian. The interface includes various filters on the left side, such as 'Refine Your Search' (Full Text, Peer Reviewed Journals) and 'Source Types' (All Results, Academic Journals). On the right side, there are sections for 'Additional Resources' and 'Related Information'.

EBSCO Publishing President Tim Collins says EBSCO has been working to transform *NetLibrary* since acquiring the company in March, 2010. “Interface improvements, a *NetLibrary* Advisory Council, focus groups and user testing are just some of the steps EBSCO has taken to bring eBooks into *EBSCOhost*. We believe that our users will benefit from a single search experience that integrates the content from eBooks and databases and we will continue to work to address the needs of our customers and their end users as eBooks become part of the *EBSCOhost* experience.” eBooks on *EBSCOhost* will provide direct links to full-text eBooks plus note-taking capabilities, copy & paste function, printing, email, citation exports, bookmarking and a Web-based interface (with no reader or hardware required).

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