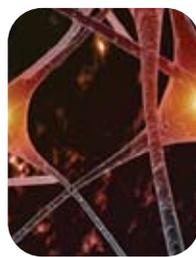
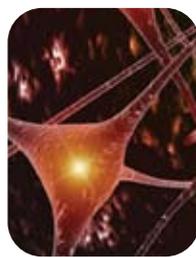


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The bridge to knowledge



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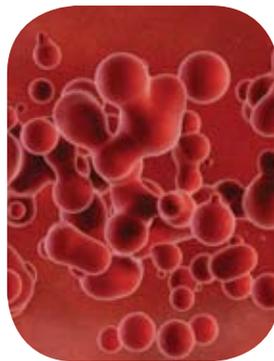
e-Product Family

## About Ex Libris

Ex Libris is a leading provider of automation solutions for academic libraries. Offering the only comprehensive product suite for electronic, digital, and print materials, Ex Libris provides the efficient, user-friendly products that serve the needs of libraries today and will enable them to transition into the future. Ex Libris maintains an impressive customer base serving thousands of sites in more than 70 countries on six continents.

Dedicated to developing creative solutions in close collaboration with our customers, Ex Libris enables academic, national, and research libraries to maximize productivity and efficiency and, at the same time, greatly enhance the user experience. By empowering patrons to discover and obtain the information they need, libraries ensure their position as the bridge to knowledge.

For additional information on Ex Libris Group, see <http://www.exlibrisgroup.com>



## e-Information Explosion

The ever-increasing volume of e-resources requires the modern library to deploy new solutions for managing e-materials and providing access to them. New paradigms—differing significantly from those used in the traditional paper-driven environment—allow patrons to maximize the advantages of electronic media while providing staff with the tools to effectively manage these resources.

## Expand Use. Streamline Management. Maximize Value.

Ex Libris™ Group, the only library automation vendor to provide a complete solution for managing the full spectrum of library materials and processes, offers a family of e-resource products that can be used on a stand-alone basis or as part of an integrated system.

## A Complete e-Resource Solution

The Ex Libris e-product family helps libraries capitalize on their e-collections by elevating the user experience, increasing staff efficiency, and establishing management processes and control.

## The Ex Libris e-Product Family Features:

The **MetaLib**® gateway and metasearch system—allows users to simultaneously search multiple databases and receive combined results in a uniform format

The **SFX**® OpenURL link resolver—interconnects library-controlled resources and services, providing users with context-sensitive links to these services based on the library's e-collections and policies

The **Verde**® electronic resource management system—enables library staff to centrally manage all essential aspects of the electronic product life cycle

## Accessing Library e-Resources Anytime Anywhere

The **Primo**® discovery and delivery solution from Ex Libris leverages SFX and MetaLib to provide users with a one-stop access point to electronic resources together with digital and print materials. This enables libraries to capitalize on their unique ability to provide access to a multiplicity of physical and electronic information resources from a single point.

Interactive and rewarding, Primo engages users by streamlining the search process from discovery to delivery, enabling patrons to quickly locate and obtain accurate, high-quality information from a wide range of sources. Users are presented with relevant library information, enriched with data originating from external resources, accompanied by situation-specific delivery options on which they can act.

## MetaLib metasearching

The MetaLib gateway and metasearch system allows users to simultaneously search heterogeneous remote resources and view the results in one clear and easy-to-use interface. Search results are deduplicated and displayed in a single list ranked by relevance. Topic clusters and facets such as author, date, and journal title provide users with alternate views of their search results.

Through its integration with the SFX link server, MetaLib enables users to complete the discovery process with links to full text and a range of other services. For example, users can check the library catalog for print holdings, place a document-delivery or interlibrary loan request, and find information about a specific e-journal publisher.

Highly customizable and easy to manage, MetaLib features an add-on X-Server module that allows libraries to embed metasearch functionality in other institutional applications, such as course management systems, library Web pages, and institutional portals.

With its standards-based design, compliance with international accessibility guidelines, and full Unicode support, MetaLib is a valuable asset that will benefit your entire user community today and well into the future.

## Verde e-resource management

The comprehensive Verde electronic resource management system assists library staff in managing electronic resources, including e-journals and e-books. The system enables libraries to establish best practices designed to deal with the inherent complexity of e-resource distribution channels, licensing arrangements, and access methods. Staff members can use Verde to define and track every step in the e-resource life cycle—from acquisition to licensing and ongoing usage management and measurement.

The Verde KnowledgeBase presents librarians with the most comprehensive view of the electronic product marketplace. Extensive usage and cost statistics enable staff to optimize collection development decisions. With built-in consortial support, authorized staff can search across the holdings of other member institutions, share data, and create cross-institution management reports.

## SFX scholarly linking

The SFX OpenURL link resolver provides users with context-sensitive links to a range of dynamically created, library-defined services. These services include links to the full text of articles, the library OPAC (Open Public Access Catalog) for local holdings, preferred document-delivery suppliers, related Web based resources and services, and local information repositories. Built with OpenURL XML integration capabilities, SFX functionality can be embedded into other library applications.

Whether hosted by the library itself or delivered as an Ex Libris software service, SFX provides a complete set of tools for easily localizing the interface and customizing access to resources, keeping them up to date, and tracking their usage.

Leveraging the large, comprehensive SFX resource KnowledgeBase, users are able to attain the most current and complete electronic content available. Plug-in integration with additional information sources, such as the library catalog, helps institutions optimize the use of local resources.

## Primo discovery and delivery

Primo provides users with a one-stop solution for the discovery and delivery of books, journal articles, digital objects, and other local and remote resources. Primo eliminates the need to search multiple systems for different media types by consolidating data from local repositories—library catalogs—and digital repositories from Ex Libris or from other vendors—with MetaLib results obtained from remote resources.

The “did you mean?” functionality helps users to express their search criteria accurately while faceted browsing enables narrowing of search results. These advanced features allow users to quickly identify the most relevant results, making the search process fun and easy. Built-in SFX linking capabilities leverage electronic collections, offering users the ability to access the full text of articles, see item availability information, and order items from their library or through interlibrary loan.

Incorporating Library 2.0 and social computing features, Primo enriches the user experience, enabling institution members to share tags, ratings, and reviews. Primo search functionality can be integrated into institutional portals, course management systems, and other third-party software so that users can find and get information whenever they need it and wherever they are.

## Improving the User Experience

**Users enjoy** the most up-to-date collection of journals and e-books available from their institution.

**Users search** via a single, intuitive interface for e-resources from a wide range of information providers.

**Users can immediately view** full text, citations, and other retrieval options and services provided by their institutions.

## Empowering Libraries with Customization and Interoperability

**Libraries can tailor** the user interfaces and services to the unique needs of specific user communities.

**Libraries can offer** a single user interface for searching all material types—electronic, digital, and print.

**Libraries can embed access points** to e-resources in commonly used environments such as institutional Websites and course management systems. These access points shorten the path to fulfillment while expanding the reach of the library's collections to meet users where they are.

## Increasing Efficiency and Control

**A centralized solution** for managing e-resources and their metadata enables the library to define consistent, enforceable workflows throughout the e-resource life cycle.

**Extensive usage** and cost statistics help the library effectively optimize collection development decisions while balancing user needs and budget considerations.

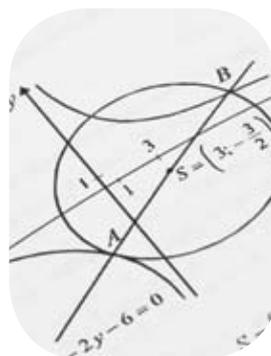
**In-depth reports** provide management with visibility into the full range of library e-resource information—including budget, usage statistics, and licensing permissions—via a single interface.

## Facilitating Integration and Collaboration

**Extensive support** for consortial needs encourages collaboration and sharing of e-resources among consortium members.

**Built-in integration** with Ex Libris integrated library systems streamlines sharing of information across resource types.

**Cross-application data sharing** between Verde and SFX enables customers of both products to update and use data from a single KnowledgeBase—promoting accuracy and efficiency.



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