

## Evaluation of Neuroscience Resources on the Net

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Internet is changing the way for accessing to medical information. Internet offers some important advantages, but the search for some relevant medical information still has difficulties. For example, search for neuroscience on Google offers you about 97,400 results or 120,366 if you search on Altavista.

The aim of this poster is to define and test a methodology of evaluation for Neuroscience resources on the Internet, in order to rank them. This methodology is tested by user experience in 20 recommended portals and relevant websites on Psychiatry and Neurology (english and spanish language).

The Method is defined beyond some criteria as contents, accreditation, availability, audience, currency of information, services, clinical usefulness and design, and will offer a rate and qualification depending on defined features.

To determinate the 20 analyzed websites, data was collected from the following sources:

- a) Internet searches using services (s. engines):Altavista, Google and Terra (10)
- b) Links on relevant world web pages (4)
- c) Links published in World Wide Web directories (6)

After apply methodology to these 20 addresses users have an evaluated ranking of neuroscience resources, based on certain criteria.

To have a methodology to evaluate Neuroscience resources will help users to be more time-effective, and to obtain better and quicker biomedical information. Even the methodology could be adapted depending on what are our information needs, in order to obtain different rankings for different needs.