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Springer's Major Reference Works now linked via *Reference Universe*

AUSTIN, Texas, October 26, 2010 -- Paratext announces that thousands of links to more than 150 Major Reference Works from Springer will be integrated into Paratext's *Reference Universe* service.

Springer's electronic and print Major Reference Works are the mainstay of specialist research, serving a broad spectrum of scientific, technical and medical disciplines, and routinely winning awards for their authoritative and detailed coverage.

Paratext's *Reference Universe* is the only cross-searchable database that supports article and index-level discovery of major reference works from more than 750 imprints. The service focuses exclusively on subject encyclopedias and scholarly compendia—the scholarly introductory material which research librarians consistently identify as the key starting point for better quality research.

Eric M. Calaluca, President and CEO of Paratext, said, "The addition of these major reference works from Springer constitutes a dramatic enhancement to the usefulness of *Reference Universe*. In fact, Springer publications are so heavily used by researchers around the world that their accessibility via *Reference Universe* instantly expands the scope and multi-disciplinary value of the service. Paratext is very excited to announce the addition of Springer titles."

"Through this association with Paratext, we know our major reference titles will be discovered even more quickly, allowing library patrons to access *SpringerLink* and take advantage of the full range of our scholarly resources," added Thomas Mager, Executive Vice President Publishing Product Development at Springer.

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