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BrowZine

- Create a personal bookshelf of journals
- Get alerts when new issues are published
- Send citations to Zotero, RefWorks, Mendeley, or EndNote
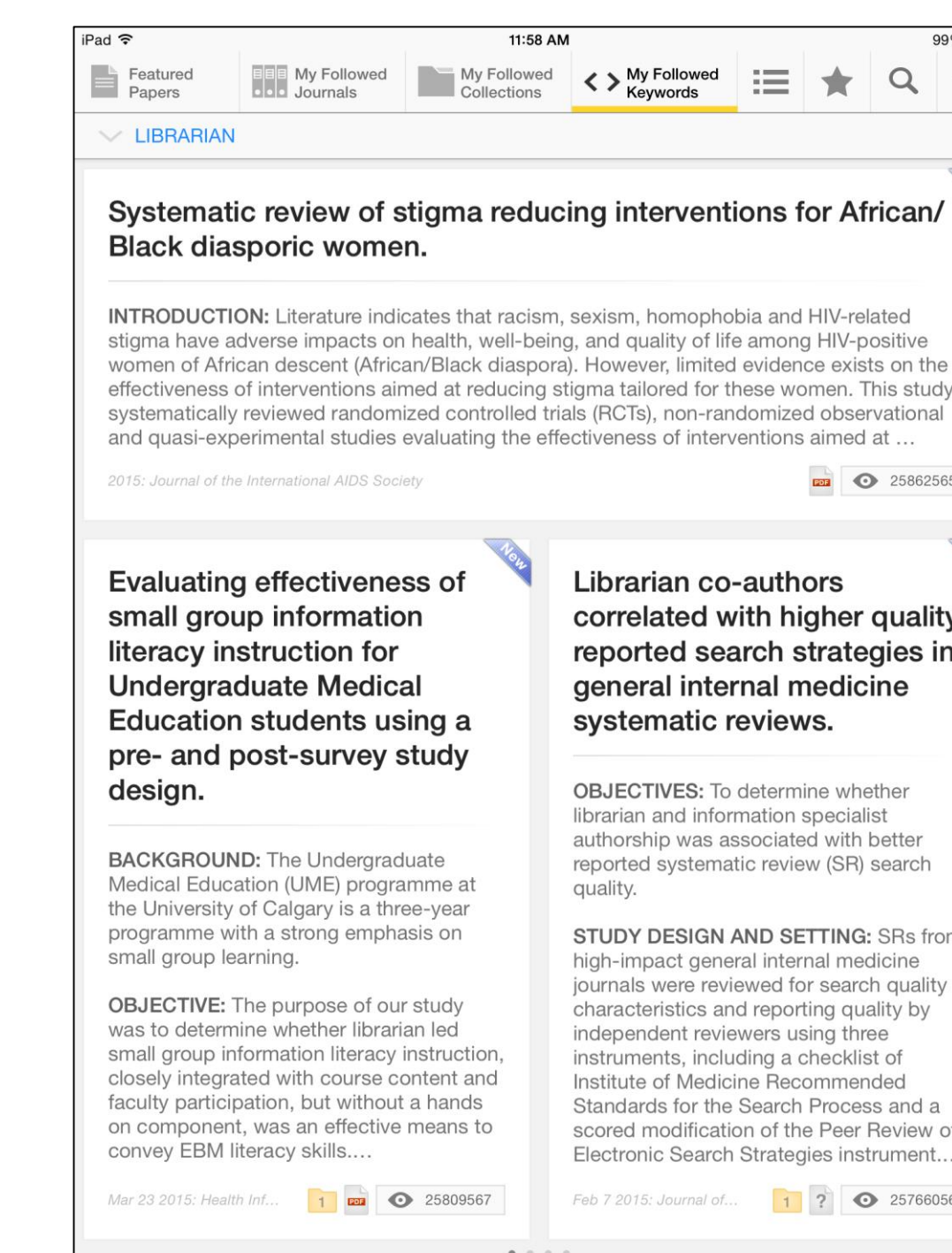
Docphin
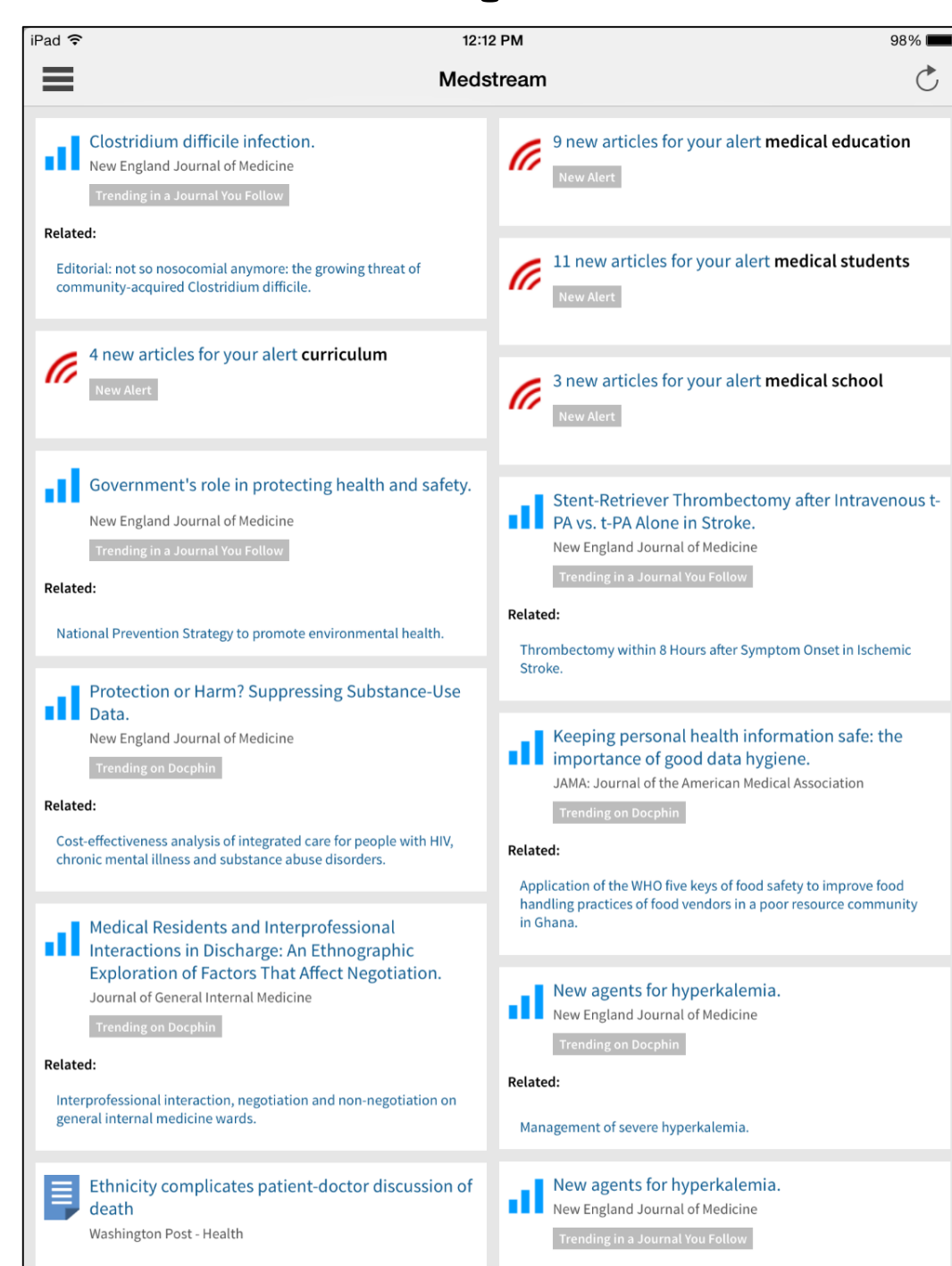
- Medstream shows trending and recommended articles
- Follow journals and health news
- View curated collections of Landmark articles in over 40 specialties

Read by QxMD

- View featured articles related to specialty
- Follow journals, collections, or keywords
- Find recommendations for key articles on a particular topic

DocNews

- Follow journals and health news
- Search for topics or keywords and be alerted when an article mentions that topic

	BrowZine	Docphin	Read by QxMD	DocNews
Mobile App	iPad, iPhone, Android	iPad, iPhone, Android	iPad, iPhone, Android	iPad, iPhone
Web version	Available in July 2015	Yes	Yes	No
Cost	Free: limited to OA journals only	Free Premium - $14.95/month	Free	Free
Institutional Version	Institutional subscription required for full version	Docphin for Libraries Docphin for Residency Programs (subscribe via Stat!Ref)	None	DocNews On Campus – Library can pay one time fee to streamline access to full-text
Full-Text Access	Free: Open Access journals only Institutional: BrowZine loads file of library's journal holdings, user saves library login information	Free & Premium: Select institution and save library login information Institutional: Docphin loads file of library's journal holdings	Select institution and save library login information	Select institution and save library login information
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PDF Annotation	No	No	Yes	No
Keyword Search	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sharing	Email, Facebook, Twitter	Email, Facebook, Twitter	Email, Facebook, Twitter	Email, Facebook, Twitter, Buffer
CME	None	20 free Category 1 CME credits	Tracks searching and reading activity for Category 2 CME credit	Category 1 and 2 CME credit available
Offline Reading	Save PDFs in app or in Dropbox, Evernote, Drive, etc.	Save PDFs to Dropbox	Save PDFs in app or in Dropbox, Evernote, Drive, etc.	Save PDFs in Dropbox, Evernote, Drive, etc.
Help and Support	Support site with articles and FAQ; email and phone support; Marketing tools to help library promote BrowZine	Free version: email support only Institutional: support is through Stat!Ref	Email support only	Email and phone support

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