

NLM's new Z39.50 server

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NLM has replaced the Voyager LocatorPlus catalog and its Z39.50 server with Alma. The catalog LocatorPlus was deprecated on 2021-06-08. The new Alma Z39.50 server went live on 2021-06-15 and now appears to be stable. See "[New Library Services Platform and Public Catalog Coming Soon](#)" and "[Retrieving NLM bibliographic records from the LocatorPlus Catalog via Z39.50](#)."

The new Alma catalog and Z39.50 do not allow retrieval by LCCN. Bummer.

CyberTools has now updated all CyberTools Z39.50 Server Properties. Properties has the server NLM. Server NLM was formerly the old NLM Voyager LocatorPlus at ils3950.nlm.nih.gov using port 7091 and the database name VOYAGER. This update was to change server NLM to the new Alma at na91.alma.exlibrisgroup.com using port 1921 and the database name 01NLM_INST. You should not notice a change other than the harvested data are more current, and that requests by LCCN now fail.

CyberTools also added server NLMold as ils3950.nlm.nih.gov using port 7091 and the database name VOYAGER. You can select NLMold as one of your Z39.50 servers, but CyberTools does not recommend it because it yields data current only as 2021-06-08. However, for some of you it may be helpful for now. Note that CyberTools will remove Z39.50 server NLMold on 2021-09-01 in conjunction with NLM discontinuing the actual server.