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The Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons (SLS) will now provide its members who have Apple or Android technology with its journal research in minimally invasive surgery via a new tool called JSLs Anywhere.

Smartphones have been shown to offer significant benefits for health care providers in terms of improved communication and ready access to guidelines and data. SLS is betting that having new research at the touch of a link will be popular among its members.

“I can access, download, share and send JSLs research quickly, and that could be important if it’s something related to what I’m doing,” says Dr. Larry Glazerman, obstetrician-gynecologist, who was a part of the focus group to test the new technology. “I believe we need to pick and choose what we add to desktop carefully – but this is one advancement I’m happy to have.”

Busy surgeons will now be able to access its research with or without Internet access.

Today’s smartphone users in the U.S. spend an average of four-and-a-half hours a day on their phones alone. While traveling by air, the majority of air passengers will have at least one electronic device with them while they fly, and busy surgeons are no exception, with mobile phones and tablets having become an integral part of the physician’s life. They are commonly used for personal and professional scheduling, accessing medical information, drug

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information and emails. SLS is responding to these trends, by digitizing its journal, JSLS.

“The bottom line is that we want to save our surgeons time,” says Dr. Paul Wetter, founder and chairman of the society. “The average busy surgeon needs to be able to access our research quickly and conveniently in today’s health care environment. JSLS Anywhere provides a convenience that has been made possible by Apple technology.”

SLS’ new product also debuts at a time when adopting the electronic option in order to have less environmental impact is becoming more of a trend, too. Electronic journaling is easier on the environment, as no paper, inks or distribution are required.

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