



Getting started PUBMED

- PubMed is a free resource
- Topics covered: medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary, pharmacy and preclinical subject areas, as well as biological disciplines.
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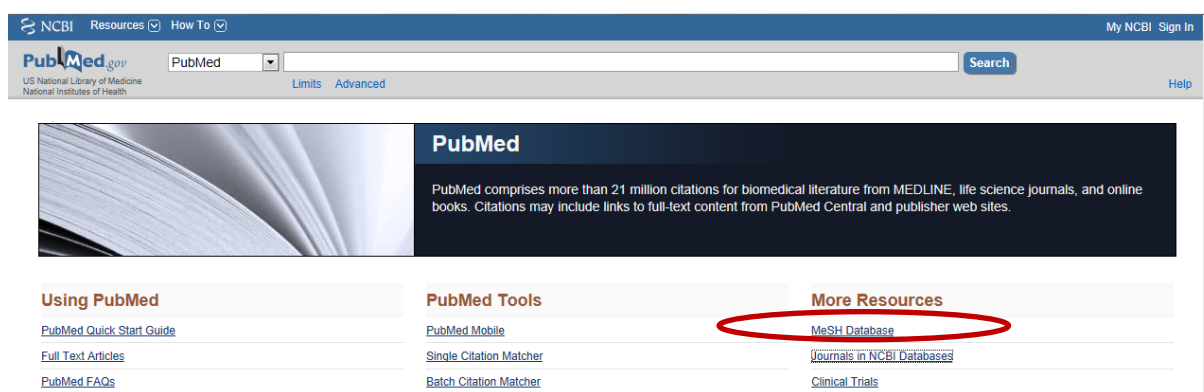
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2 MESH TERMS

MeSH is Medical Subject Headings. Every article has up to 20 MeSH terms. The MeSH terms gives you the possibility to make very accurate searches in PubMed. You can send the MeSH terms directly to the PubMed database. Look up the desired word in the MeSH database and find the most adequate MeSH term. Mark the requested search term and click on "Add to search builder". The actual MeSH search will take place by clicking "Search PubMed" beneath the dialog box. The search will now be send from the MeSH database to the PubMed database.

Note! The most recent references have not yet any MeSH terms and will not be included in a MeSH search.

It is recommended that you make a combined free text and MeSH search.



3 SIMPLE OR FREE TEXT SEARCHES

To search in PubMed, you can write a word or a sentence in the search field. Combine with the Boolean operators "AND", "OR" or "NOT" (remember to write operators in capital letters).

For truncation use * (reduction of letters e.g. nurs*), but it deactivates the automatic inclusion of MeSH-terms and should be used only by advanced users.

In the right side of the screen in "Search details" you can see informations on how PubMed has made the search and a list of words translated into MeSH terms. The Search history is visible in "Advanced", and the searches are numbered with a #. If you click on one of your searches you can combine with AND OR or NOT.

4 LIMITS

Using "Filters" makes it possible for you to limit searches by dates, ages, sex, languages et al. Remember that filters will be active in the following searches, or else you must deactivate them.

5 DISPLAY AND SAVE SEARCH RESULTS

You can choose another display setting in the menu "Display Settings", and the results can be sorted in different ways. When you are going through the search results you can add the references of interest to the Clipboard

Display Settings: Summary, 20 per page, Sorted by Recently Added

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Use the "Send to" for adding to Clipboard. From here you can export the references. You can print, e-mail or download to a file e.g. to EndNote.

The searches may be saved or deleted in "My NCBI". The Search history is visible in "Advanced".

6 PERSONLY REGISTRATION IN MY NCBI

You can save your searches ("Save in my NCBI") and selected references ("Send to Collections"). For saved searches you can make alerts. Which means you will get an e-mail with the newest references. These alerts contains links to references. If you are not on the OUH or SDU's network the link will not guide you to the reference, but by making these changes you will:

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