

## OvidSP Quick Reference Card

Search in any of several dynamic modes, combine results, apply limits, use improved research tools, develop strategies, save searches, set automatic alerts and RSS feeds, share results . . . OvidSP makes it all easy.

### Select Resources

Once Ovid validates your access, choose resources to search.

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### Select a database to begin searching:

Open selected resources >>

- Books@Ovid August 16, 2007
- Journals@Ovid Full Text August 20, 2007
- Your Journals@Ovid
- BIOSIS Previews 1985 to 2007 Week 36
- British Nursing Index and Archive 1985 to August 2007
- EMBASE 1980 to 2007 Week 33
- Ovid MEDLINE(R) In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations and Ovid MEDLINE(R) 1950 to Present
- Ovid MEDLINE(R) 2003 to August Week 2 2007
- Ovid MEDLINE(R) -- Breast Cancer 1995 to August Week 2 2007

session information  
Current: Ovid MEDLINE(R) 1995 to August Week 2 2007

Often, your session begins on the OvidSP Main Search Page.

### Main Search Page

OvidSP provides easy access to the information you want and assistance throughout the interface.

- Additional Resources:** search another database, or browse journals and books.
- Online Assistance:** submit questions to an on-site expert, look up information in Ovid's Knowledge Base, browse information in a context-sensitive help system.
- Saved Searches/Alerts:** run, edit, or develop previously saved search strategies and AutoAlerts.

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Change Database | Browse Journals: Journals@Ovid Full Text | Browse Books: Books@Ovid | Books All | Saved Searches/Alerts

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Basic Search | Find Citation | Search Tools | Search Fields | Ovid Syntax | search mode options

treatments for childhood obesity | Search

Check Spelling  Include Related Terms

Limits (Click to close) | click to open/close common limits section

- Full Text
- Review Article
- Latest Update
- Humans
- Abstracts
- Core Clinical Journals (AIM)
- English Language
- EBM Reviews

Publication Year: 2005 | 2007

Limit Search | Additional Limits | accessible from Basic Search or Classic modes

Search History (1 search) (Click to close) | View Saved

	#	Searches	Results	Display
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	obesity in america	520	DISPLAY

Remove Selected | Combine selections with: And OR | RSS | Save Search History

To search, follow these steps.

- Select a preferred search mode (Basic Search shown).
- Type a subject, phrase, topic, or question.
- OPTIONAL:** Apply database limits.
- Click the Search button.

## Search Tab Options

Explore a variety of ways to search and develop a strategy that delivers the results you want.

### Basic Search (default search mode)

Use natural language in any Ovid resource—books, journals, databases—to search topics and ask questions. You do not need to know special syntax.

 If a word is misspelled, OvidSP will display a warning.

Apply limits from the Main Search Page or from the Limit a Search Page.

### Find Citation

Quickly locate the citation of a specific journal article.



Type information you know into the text boxes, then click the Search button.

 Find Citation is not available for Books@Ovid.

 Use the following truncation and wildcards to find variations of terms.

- \* or \$ or : to search for suffix variations, such as disease\$ to find *disease*, *diseases*, or *diseased*.
- Use the positional operator, ADJn, to retrieve records that contain your terms (in any order) within a specified number (n) of words of each other, such as ("opinion" adj3 "hypertension") to find *opinion* and *hypertension* within 3 words of each other.

### Search Tools

Find all database tools in one place.



 Tools vary from database to database.

To run a subject search, follow these steps.

1. Type a term into the text box.
2. Select a tool.
3. Click the Search button.

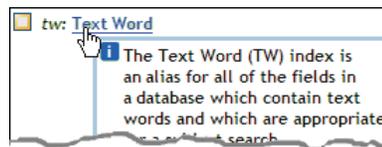
OvidSP shows the term within a display of the selected tool.

## Search Fields

Create, browse, and search the indexed fields of any database.

 Indicates fields that are not indexed but can be searched, not displayed or browsed.

 To learn more about fields in the display, click the hyperlinked field name.



To search fields, follow these steps.

1. Type a term into the text box.
2. Select one or more fields.
3. Click one of three functional options.
  - a. **Display Indexes:** creates and displays indexes from field selections. From an index display, run a search only in those fields.
  - b. **Search:** runs a search through selected fields.
  - c. **Clear selections:** cancels field selections.

## Syntax

Run syntax searches based on your site's "legacy" platform:

Ovid Web Gateway (shown) or SilverPlatter WebSPIRS.

To run a syntax-based search, follow these steps.

1. Select a search type (Keyword search shown here).
2. Type a term into the text box.
3. **OPTIONAL:** Apply a limit.
4. Click the Search button.



To apply a limit from the command line, type the syntax, such as: **limit 1 to yr=2005-2007.**

## Search History

OvidSP posts and tracks search results sets in a Search History window so that you can:

- ⦿ combine them using **AND**, **OR**, or **NOT**.
- ⦿ delete them (if necessary).
- ⦿ save them as a search strategy for later development.
- ⦿ save as an AutoAlert, a current awareness search.
- ⦿ set an RSS feed to send updated search strategies.

#	Searches	Results	Display
1	treatments for childhood obesity	484	DISPLAY
2	(exercise and obesity).mp. [mp=title, original title, abstract, name of substance word, subject heading word]	5574	DISPLAY
3	limit 2 to (ovid full text available and full text and ("all child (0 to 18 years)" or "child (6 to 12 years)" or "adolescent (13 to 18 years)"))	452	DISPLAY
4	1 and 3	6	DISPLAY

Buttons: Remove Selected, Combine selections with: And Or, RSS (set an RSS feed), Save Search History

To see the records of a results set in the Search Results Display, click a Display button.

## Search Results Display

Each results screen has three components.

- a. Search Aid:** shows terms used to gain results for the most recent search statement and highlights them in the record titles display.
- b. Record Titles Display:** lists citations of records from a results set in your search history.
- c. Results Manager:** manages records selected for output: display, print, email, save, or direct export.

**Search Aid (a):** Your search: Search terms used: treatments, childhood, obesity. Narrow search by: Subjects, Authors, Journals. Broaden search: Add Related Terms.

**Record Titles Display (b):** Results of your search: treatments for childhood obesity. Viewing 1-10 of 484 Results. Score: ★★★★★. 1. Mathur P. Das MK, Arora NK. Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease and childhood obesity. [Review] [32 refs] [Journal Article. Review]. Indian Journal of Pediatrics. 74(4):401-7, 2007 Apr. Ul: 17476088. Authors Full Name: Mathur, Prashant. Das, Manoja K. Arora, Narendra K. 2. Wardle J. Understanding the aetiology of childhood obesity: implications for treatment. [Review] [66 refs] [Journal Article. Review]. Proceedings of the Nutrition Society. 44(1):72-9, 2005 Feb.

**Results Manager (c):** Actions: DISPLAY, PRINT PREVIEW, EMAIL, SAVE. Results: Selected Results: 1, 2.

## Search Aid

OvidSP's Search Aid shows the terms used for your search to create the set in the record titles display. Use the search aid to narrow or broaden your search.

- ⦿ **Narrow search:** refine results by subject, author, or journal.
- ⦿ **Broaden search:** expand results to include related terms.

The Search Aid quickly compiles the most relevant records from the Record Titles Display.

**Search Aid**  
**Your search**  
 Search terms used:  
 treatments  
 childhood  
 obesity  
**Narrow search**  
 Narrow your results by:  
 ▶ Subjects  
 ▶ Authors  
 ▶ Journals  
**Broaden search**  
 Add Related Terms

## Record Titles Display

By default, OvidSP displays records from the last search.

**a. Navigate:** browse quickly among records in a large set or navigate page by page.



To display titles from a different set in the search history, click the recent searches option.

**b. Link to More Information:** see additional information, available full text, and formats.

**c. Find Similar and Citing Records:** display records that are similar to or cite a specific record.

Display, print, email, or save any record(s) in the titles display by using OvidSP's output tool, the Results Manager.

## Results Manager

OvidSP provides the Results Manager for all record output needs.

**a. Select output option:** display, print, email, save, or export records.

**b. Select records:** select a whole page of records, a range of records, or check boxes of individual records in the display for output.

**c. Choose fields:** apply only pertinent field information to record output.



The Results Manager outputs up to 200 records at a time. To change this number, contact Ovid Customer Support.



The complete reference option includes all database-specific fields.

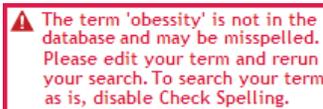
**d. Sort records:** select order options for record output based upon primary and secondary fields of interest.

## Other OvidSP Features

- Really Simple Syndication (RSS) feeds deliver AutoAlerts, eTOC alerts, search results, and information directly to users.
- Journals@Ovid and Books@Ovid improvements to presentation and functionality.
- Retains Syntax-based search familiar to expert SilverPlatter & Ovid Gateway users.
- Record annotation — add notes that “stick” with the record.



- Output records in the most useful format, including exporting them directly into bibliographic management software when available.
- Output search strategies with records.
- More intuitive fielded searching.
- Spell checking in keyword searching.



- All database tools available in one place.
- Multi-subject thesauri in Multifile searches and Auto Alerts.
- Find similar articles.

## Additional OvidSP Resources

These additional resources are available to support your success with OvidSP.

**OvidSP Training:** For web-based training session information, visit [www.ovid.com](http://www.ovid.com) and click on Training and Documentation.

To tailor a training session to specific needs at your site, email an OvidSP representative at [sales@ovid.com](mailto:sales@ovid.com).

**OvidSP Documentation:** For additional documentation resources such as QRCs and user guides, visit [www.ovid.com](http://www.ovid.com) and click on Training and Documentation.

**OvidSP Sales Contacts:** To discuss OvidSP possibilities for your site, email an OvidSP representative at [sales@ovid.com](mailto:sales@ovid.com).

**OvidSP Technical Support Specialists:** Need expert help right away? Ovid Technical Support Specialists are at your service.



Ovid Technical Support has received Center of Excellence certification from BenchmarkPortal.

Locate the support office nearest to you by visiting: [www.ovid.com](http://www.ovid.com) and click on Contact and Locations or email us at [support@ovid.com](mailto:support@ovid.com).