

# **Searching EMBASE (Elsevier)**

# EMBASE description

- biomedical and pharmaceutical database
- contains all of MEDLINE's citations and many more unique citations
- use when searching for information on food/diet/nutrition, medical devices, or drugs

#### Access EMBASE

- 1. Go to <u>Ruth Lilly Medical Library Databases</u>. (https://iupui.libguides.com/az.php?s=83627)
- 2. Scroll down to click on, EMBASE (Elsevier), OR click "E" on the alphabet bar.
- 3. NOTE: If you are off campus, you will need to enter your university ID and passphrase before you can access this resource.

# Basic search in EMBASE



- 1. Type terms in the Quick Search Box.
- 2. Use a single or double quote around a phrase.
- 3. Use subject headings from EMTREE®.
- 4. Combine concepts using Boolean operators: AND, OR, NOT

Boolean "AND"



Using **AND** will retrieve fewer results (ex. heart attacks AND aspirin)

Boolean "OR"

**OR** will retrieve more results (ex. heart attack OR myocardial infarction)

Boolean "NOT"



**NOT** will exclude unwanted terms (ex. substance abuse NOT cigarettes).



# Results page: Fine-tune your search

#### Filter Results:

Beneath the search box: If you click on Quick limits, you will have the options to limit your search to Human subjects and English language.

Search >	Mapping 🗸	Date 🗸	Sources 🗸	Fields 🗸	Quick limits 🗸	EBM 🗸	Pub. types 🗸	Languages 🗸	Gender 🗸	Age∨	Animal 🔪
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 Results Filters

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 Collapse all

 Sources
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 Drugs
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 Diseases
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 Devices
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 Floating Subheadings
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 Age
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 Gender
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Left-side bar: From most recent search, click each filter to see how many articles are in that subset: e.g. age, gender, drugs used, and other diseases.

#### Work with Search History:

- Combine searches using AND; OR
- Select any search in History to recall the results.

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#3	#1 AND #2	20
#2	'heart infarction'/exp OR 'heart infarction'	383,897
#1	'el salvador'	3,521

# Find full text of an article

- 1. To see if full text is available, use the Find It Button **Find It**. This will take you to a page where you can link to the full text.
- 2. If no full text is available, scroll down and click on <u>Ruth Lilly Medical Library Content</u> <u>Management & Delivery</u> under "Additional options for finding full-text" Log in with your IU username and password to request the article.

# Export, Print, and Save EMBASE references

- 1. Check the boxes to the left of the desired articles.
- 2. Click on the View, Export, or Email link (found at either the top or the bottom of the search results) and follow the prompts.
  - For EndNote Desktop, make sure the export format is RIS format (Reference Manager, ProCite, EndNote).
  - For EndNote Web (Basic), make sure:
    - i. the export format is Plain Text and output is Full Record.
    - ii. the import option is EMBASE.com.

#### Assistance

Please feel free to <u>email us</u> (medlref@iupui.edu) or call 317-274-7182.

