

Need Help Accessing Information through Databases?

This short guide provides a quick introduction to using the Healthcare Databases Advanced Search (HDAS).

From [the library website](#), click on the E-Resources tab and select Healthcare Databases Advanced Search (HDAS)

The screenshot shows a navigation bar with five tabs: Welcome, E-Resources, Forms, Guidance, and Other. The E-Resources tab is selected. Below the tabs, there is a text block: "To access most of the resources listed below you will need an OpenAthens account. Where you see a log in option you may need to select an institution which will be NHS England." Below this text are five blue buttons: BMJ, BMJ BEST PRACTICE, BNF, E-BOOKS, and HEALTHCARE DATABASES ADVANCED SEARCH (HDAS).

If you don't already have an account, you can register for one using your Trust email address. There is a link to register for OpenAthens on the top right of the Library Services page.

When you begin a search, you will need to click the 'login for all databases' link otherwise you will only be able to search using PubMed.

The screenshot shows a search interface. At the top, there is a light blue banner with the text: "Log in with your OpenAthens account to access all 9 databases, with links to full text journals where available." Below this is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the word "Search" next to it. To the right of the search bar is a grey button with the word "Search". Below the search bar is a link with a magnifying glass icon and the text "Databases Login for all databases".

After logging in you will be able to choose to search within eight databases. If you hover over each one you will see a brief description. You can select as many as you like or you can choose one and then re-run your search in another later.

Search ?

Databases







Select All AMED BNI CINAHL

EMBASE EMCARE HMIC Medline

PsycINFO PubMed

Hover over a database for more information...


You can search for key terms and combine these together. You can combine two or more search lines using AND if you are looking for articles that contain all those words and you can use OR if some words are interchangeable and you want to make sure that you don't miss anything important.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	24	Medline	(self-administration),ti,ab	View Results (7,804)	Edit  
<input type="checkbox"/>	25	Medline	(22 AND 23 AND 24)	View Results (58)	 

To view the results click the link on the right. You will be presented with details of the articles that match your search. To read the abstract you will need to click on Show Abstracts above the results.

All on this page Show Abstracts Titles Only View: 10 25 50 100 Sort: 

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1. Adverse events associated with pediatric exposures to dextromethorphan. 

Author(s) Paul, Ian M; Reynolds, Kate M; Kauffman, Ralph E; Banner, William; Bond, G Randall et al.
 Source Clinical toxicology (Philadelphia, Pa.); Oct 2016 ; p. 1-8
 Publication Date Oct 2016
 ISSN 1556-9519
 Database Medline
[Show Abstract](#)

You can save the results that appear useful by ticking the box next to the article title and then clicking the save button located above or below the list. In this example you can see where it says 'Add 1 to Saved'. You will need to click this button before moving on to another page of results. When you have selected everything you want to, you can retrieve these results from the saved results tab at the top of the page.

The search results will sometimes list articles without a full-text link. In these circumstances library staff may be able to help you. If we can't find it through our subscription databases, we can check to see if it is obtainable elsewhere and if it is we should be able to get a copy to you within five working days.

Search Tips

- If you are looking for a specific journal article and you know the full title, you can enter this with quotation marks at the "start and end"
- The asterisk symbol * can be used to search for alternative endings to words. For example the search term medic* will return results for medic(s), medicine(s), medication(s), medical, medicinal, medicate(s), and medicated.
- You can re-order your results by publication date to see the most recent first.