Searching for studies: useful links

**National and regional databases**

- African Index Medicus [indexmedicus.afro.who.int](indexmedicus.afro.who.int/)
- China National Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI) [eng.cnki.net/grid2008/index.htm](eng.cnki.net/grid2008/index.htm)
- Chinese Biomedical Literature Database (CBM) [sinomed.imicams.ac.cn/index.jsp](sinomed.imicams.ac.cn/index.jsp)
- Index Medicus for the Eastern Mediterranean Region (IMEMR) [www.emro.who.int/his/vhs/](www.emro.who.int/his/vhs/)
- Index Medicus for the South-East Asia Region (IMSEAR) [imsear.hellis.org](imsear.hellis.org/)
- IndMED (India) [indmed.nic.in](indmed.nic.in/)
- KoreaMed [www.koreamed.org/SearchBasic.php](www.koreamed.org/SearchBasic.php)
- LILACS (Latin America and the Caribbean) [bases.bireme.br/cgi-bin/wxislind.exe/iah/online/?IsisScript=iah/iah.xis;base=LILACS&lang=i](bases.bireme.br/cgi-bin/wxislind.exe/iah/online/?IsisScript=iah/iah.xis;base=LILACS&lang=i)
- Panteleimon (Ukraine and the Russian Federation) [www.panteleimon.org/main.php3](www.panteleimon.org/main.php3)
- PASCAL (Europe) [www.inist.fr/spip.php?article11](www.inist.fr/spip.php?article11)
- Western Pacific Region Index Medicus (WPRIM) [wprim.wpro.who.int/SearchBasic.php](wprim.wpro.who.int/SearchBasic.php)

**Subject-specific databases**

**Biology and pharmacology**

- Biological Abstracts / BIOSIS Previews [thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/science_products/a-z/biosis/](thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/science_products/a-z/biosis/)
- Derwent Drug File [scientific.thomson.com/support/products/drugfile/](scientific.thomson.com/support/products/drugfile/)
- International Pharmaceutical Abstracts [thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/science_products/a-z/ipa/](thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/science_products/a-z/ipa/)

**Health promotion**

- BiblioMap - EPPI-Centre database of health promotion research [eppi.ioe.ac.uk/webdatabases/Intro.aspx?ID=7](eppi.ioe.ac.uk/webdatabases/Intro.aspx?ID=7)
- Database of Promoting Health Effectiveness Reviews (DoIPHER) [eppi.ioe.ac.uk/webdatabases/Intro.aspx?ID=2](eppi.ioe.ac.uk/webdatabases/Intro.aspx?ID=2)

**International health**

- POPLINE (reproductive health) [www.popline.org](www.popline.org)

**Nursing and allied health**

- Allied and Complementary Medicine (AMED) [www.bl.uk/reshelp/findhelpsubject/scitectenv/medicinehealth/amed/amed.html](www.bl.uk/reshelp/findhelpsubject/scitectenv/medicinehealth/amed/amed.html)
British Nursing Index (BNI)  www.proquest.co.uk/en-UK/catalogs/databases/detail/bni.shtml
Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health (CINAHL)  www.ebscohost.com/cinahl/
EMCare  www.eurevier.com/wps/find/bibliographicdatabasedescription.cws_home/708272/description
MANTIS (alternative medicine)  www.healthindex.com
OTseeker  www.otseeker.com
Physiotherapy Evidence Database (PEDro)  www.pedro.org.au

Social and community health and welfare
AgeLine  www.ebscohost.com/public/ageline
Childdata  www.ncb.org.uk/resources/information_centre/childdata.aspx
CommunityWISE  www.oxmill.com/communitywise
Social Care Online  www.scie-socialcareonline.org.uk

Social science, education, psychology and psychiatry
Education Resources Information Center (ERIC)  www.eric.ed.gov
Social Policy and Practice  www.ovid.com/site/catalog/DataBase/1859.jsp

Citation indexes
Science Citation Index  thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/science_products/a-z/science_citation_index/
Scopus  www.info.sciverse.com/scopus
Social Sciences Citation Index  thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/science_products/a-z/social_sciences_citation_index/

Dissertation and theses databases
DissOnline (German language areas)  www.dissonline.de/eng/index.htm
Index to Theses (UK and Ireland)  www.theses.com
ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Database  www.proquest.co.uk/en-UK/catalogs/databases/detail/pqdt.shtml

Grey literature databases
National Technical Information Service (NTIS) database  www.ntis.gov/products/ntisdb.aspx
OpenGrey  www.opengrey.eu

Conference abstract sources
Biological Abstracts/RRM (Reports, Reviews, Meetings)  thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/science_products/a-z/biological_abstracts_rrm/
Evidence-based guidelines
Australian Government National Health and Medical Research Council  
nhmrc.gov.au/publications/subjects/clinical.htm
Canadian Medical Association – Infobase  
mdm.ca/cpgsnew/cpgs/index.asp
National Guideline Clearinghouse (US)  
www.guideline.gov
New Zealand Guidelines Group  
www.nzgg.org.nz
NICE Clinical Guidelines (UK)  
www.nice.org.uk/aboutnice/whatwedo/aboutclinicalguidelines/about_clinical_guidelines.jsp

Trials registers / Trials results registers
AstraZeneca Clinical Trials  
www.astrazenecaclinicaltrials.com/
Bristol-Myers Squibb Clinical Trial Registry  
www.bms.com/clinical_trials/Pages/clinical_trial_registry.aspx
ClinicalTrials.gov  
www.clinicaltrials.gov
Current Controlled Trials metaRegister of Controlled Trials (mRCT)
  • active registers  
    www.controlled-trials.com/mRCT
  • archived registers  
    www.controlled-trials.com/mrct/archived
Eli Lilly and Company Clinical Trial Registry
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    www.lillytrials.com
  •  
    www.lillytrials.com/initiated/initiated.html
EU Clinical Trials Register  
www.clinicaltrialsregister.eu/
GlaxoSmithKline Clinical Study Register  
www.gsk-clinicalstudyregister.com/
International Clinical Trials Registry Platform Search Portal  
www.who.int/trialsearch
International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA) Clinical Trials Portal  
clinicaltrials.ifpma.org/no_cache/en/myportal/index.htm
Roche Clinical Trial Results Database  
www.roche-trials.com/trialResults.action

Search filters
UK InterTASC Information Specialists Subgroup  
www.york.ac.uk/inst/crd/intertasc

Importing records into reference management software
Information Retrieval Methods Group website  
irmg.cochrane.org/filters-reference-management-software-endnote-procite-reference-manager
TSC User Guide to Managing Specialized Registers and Handsearch Records  
www.cochrane.org/training/handsearchers-tscs

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