

# Medline (OvidSP)

## What is Medline?

Medline is a bibliographic database (updated daily) containing information from approximately 5,500 biomedical and life science journals in nearly 40 languages; from 1946 to present.

## Accessing Medline (OvidSP)

Medline is accessed via the **E-resources Guide**.

1. To open the E-resources Guide, go to: <http://subjectguides.york.ac.uk/e-resources>
2. When the E-resources Guide has opened select the **M** tab from the A-Z list at the top of the screen. An alphabetical list of resources is then displayed.
3. Click on **Medline (1946 onwards) (OvidSP)**. You may be asked to log in with your IT Services username and password. The resource will now open in a new window.
4. A list of databases available to you via the OvidSP service will be displayed. Select **OVID MEDLINE (R) without Revisions**.

## Searching Medline

To perform a simple search in this database, type in your first search term into the search bar and click **Search**.

The screenshot shows the Medline search interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Search', 'Journals', 'Books', and 'My Workspace'. Below this is a 'Search History' section with a table of searches. The main search area has a search bar with the text 'diabetes' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, there are radio buttons for 'Keyword', 'Author', 'Title', and 'Journal', with 'Keyword' selected. At the bottom of the search area, there is a checkbox labeled 'Map Term to Subject Heading' which is checked. A callout box points to this checkbox with the text: 'As the Map Term to Subject Heading box is ticked, it will then suggest Subject Headings for you to search with.'

A screen similar to the following will appear:

The screenshot shows a 'Select Subject Heading' screen. It features a list of MeSH terms with checkboxes next to them. The terms are: 'Diabetes Complications', 'Diabetes, Gestational', 'Diabetes Insipidus', 'Diabetes Insipidus, Nephrogenic', 'Diabetes Insipidus, Neurogenic', 'Diabetes Mellitus', 'Diabetes Mellitus, Experimental', 'Diabetes Mellitus, Lipoatrophic', 'Diabetes Mellitus, Type 1', 'Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2', and '\*National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases'. The 'Diabetes Mellitus' and 'diabetes.mp. search as Keyword' options are checked. A callout box points to the 'Diabetes Mellitus' option with the text: 'You are presented with a list of Subject Headings (MeSH) - tick the heading(s) that fit your search [e.g. 'Diabetes Mellitus' in this case]. You can also tick the keyword option at the bottom of the list to search using the word(s) you typed in.' Another callout box points to the 'Continue >>' button with the text: 'Click >>> to perform the search.'

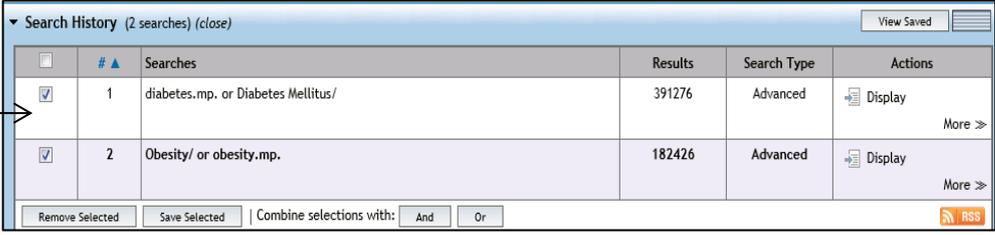


## Combining searches

It is very important to be able to combine previous search sets together to produce more complex searches. To combine your searches, within the Search History tick the boxes next to the searches you wish to combine  , and then click  or  - depending on how you wish to combine searches.

In this example, the search for **Diabetes Mellitus** has been combined with a search for **obesity**.

Your **Search History** builds at the top of the page. Click in the checkboxes to select searches to combine.



<input type="checkbox"/>	#	Searches	Results	Search Type	Actions
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2	Obesity/ or obesity.mp.	182426	Advanced	Display More >>

## Viewing and working with your results

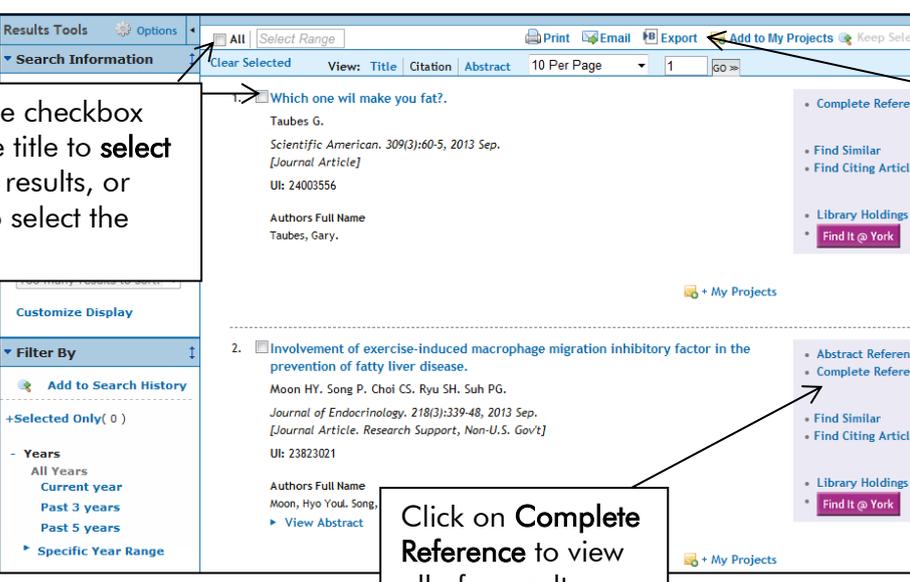
Click on Display or scroll down to view your results.

Click in the checkbox next to the title to **select** individual results, or click **All** to select the whole set.

Print or email selected results. Use **Export** to save results to Word or EndNote (for EndNote Web, export to Reprint/Medlars and import as MEDLINE (OvidSP)).

Click on **Complete Reference** to view all of a result.

Click on **Find It @ York** to check if the full text of an article is available.



Results Tools Options

Search Information

Clear Selected View: Title Citation Abstract 10 Per Page 1 GO

1.  Which one will make you fat?  
Taubes G.  
Scientific American. 309(3):60-5, 2013 Sep.  
[Journal Article]  
UI: 24003556  
Authors Full Name  
Taubes, Gary.

2.  Involvement of exercise-induced macrophage migration inhibitory factor in the prevention of fatty liver disease.  
Moon HY, Song P, Choi CS, Ryu SH, Suh PG.  
Journal of Endocrinology. 218(3):339-48, 2013 Sep.  
[Journal Article. Research Support, Non-U.S. Gov't]  
UI: 23823021  
Authors Full Name  
Moon, Hyo Youl, Song,  
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Filter By

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Years

All Years  
Current year  
Past 3 years  
Past 5 years  
Specific Year Range

## Find out more

A step-by-step workbook and online tutorial on using Medline is available on the Guides and tutorials tab of the Health Sciences Subject Guide. Online help is available within OvidSP.

