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Cochrane Search Guide

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About Cochrane

Provides high quality data to inform those providing and receiving care, and those responsible for research, teaching, funding and administration at all levels. Cochrane includes: Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR), Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effectiveness (DARE), and Cochrane Controlled Trials Register (CCTR). More...

To Start: Go to www.library.mun.ca/hsl

On-Campus Click on the Health Databases link. Then click on the Cochrane link. users:



Off-Campus Click on the **Databases** page. Enter your ID and Pin, then click on the Cochrane link. only):

Tips			

Help	Click Search Tips underneath the search boxes.	
Truncation	Use the * (asterisk) to search variant endings, e.g. teen* retrieves	
	teen, teens, teenage, teenager etc.	
Combining	Use and, or, not and parentheses () to group concepts where	
Terms	necessary. More info	
ALERT	When printing documents, print in landscape format.	

Keyword Searching

- 1. Enter term(s) in search box(es).
- 2. Choose which fields to search from drop down box. The default is to search everything. It is recommended that you choose Title or Abstract as your search field.
- You can combine terms by using two or more search boxes. Choose your combining terms (More info) from the drop down box to the left of the search boxes.
- 4. Click Search to run the search. Your search will appear below the search boxes.

Combining Searches

- 1. Click on Search History/Alerts under the search box.
- 2. Note that each search string is assigned at number (S1, S2 etc).
- 3. In the search box, enter the searches you wish to combine linked with AND, OR, or NOT. e.g. S1 and S2.
- 4. Single click on Search to run the combined search.

Limits

- 1. Choose Refine Search to select limits. (ex publication year, reviews vs. protocols).
- 2. Select your limits and click Search to rerun the search with the chosen limits.

How to Get the Documents

- If you are not already on the results page, click
- 2. Click on the title or the HTML full text link.
- 3. Scroll down through the document or click on a link (e.g. cover sheet, background, methods, results, discussion, references, or tables and graphs) to jump to a particular part of the document.

Results

Printing/Saving/Emailing

- 1. From the document, click the Print, E-mail, or Save button. This will print, email or save the full text of the Review or Protocol.
- 2. If you are saving a number of documents, click the Add to folder button. This will add all of your chosen records to the folder so you can print, email, or save them all at once.
- 3. Click 🔄 to see the list of documents you have in the folder.
- 4. Click Print, E-mail, or Save to print, email, or save all the records at once.
- **NOTE:** To print documents, change the print command to print in landscape.

Exit

To exit, close browser.

For more information or to book a training session, contact the information desk. (777-6672)