

Search Operators

Any of These =	OR
All Words =	AND
Exact Phrase =	ADJ (Note: placing quotes around a name (e.g. "Middle East Society for Organ Transplantation") or a term (e.g. "HIV infection") is the same as selecting the Exact Phrase operator.)
Truncation / Wild Card symbol =	+ (Note: truncation does not work within quoted phrases or the subject phrases.)

Fields	Formats	Searching
Author	Corporate Authors	The full name of an agency, a commission, or other government body; part of the name can be entered in quotes or the Exact Phrase operator can be selected
	Personal Author	Enter lastname, firstname spelled out fully (not case-sensitive)
	Single author	Enter author's first and last names and select All Words (e.g. Ilkilić, Ilhan)
	Coauthors	Enter author names in quotes in lastname firstname format and select All Words (e.g. "walters leroy" "juengst eric")
	Various authors	Enter author names in quotes in lastname firstname format and select Any of These (e.g. "Brockopp, Jonathan" "Eich, Thomas")
	Truncated author name search	If not sure of the spelling of a personal or corporate name, enter the term with a plus sign at the end (e.g. sachedina a+), at the beginning (+achedina), or in the middle (e.g. m+hamm+d) and select All Words.
Title:	No format required	Free-text searchable
Journal Title or Book Publisher:		While journal and publisher names are spelled out fully in the database, parts of journal titles or names can be entered for retrieval purposes
Thesaurus Keywords	Controlled vocabulary from the Bioethics Thesaurus (Note: the Bioethics Thesaurus Database will open in a new tab or window.)	Enter the keyword into the query box. More than one term can be entered in the box at a time and the retrieval will contain cites with either of the terms, using "and", "or", or "not" as connectors. To find a term that is a major (*) term, use the asterisk before the word or phrase, e.g. "*Arab world". To find a term that is either a major (*) term or a

		general term, use the truncation symbol (+) before the word; i.e. "+Arab world" will retrieve items where "Arab world" is either a major or a secondary topic of discussion.
Subject:	classification scheme numbers or subject terms	One or more of the classification scheme numbers or terms can be entered in the query box. The scheme is hierarchical, so you can capture all of the subheadings of any particular topic by simply using the "+" sign after the number. Note: since all citations in the test file are related to Islamic medical or scientific ethics, you can omit the classification number for religious ethics (1.2) to get everything in the database on a selected topic, e.g. search 9.4 to see literature on Islamic ethics and resource allocation, or 19.+ to see materials on Islamic ethics and any aspect of organ transplantation.

Limits:

Languages:	Defaults to all languages (NOTE: Diacritics are not used in this database)
Dates:	Defaults to all dates
Plurals:	Defaults to off
Search only content available online:	When checked, will limit retrieval to those citations with links to electronic sites where individual articles can be retrieved through the site's search engine
Display: Documents Per page:	Defaults to 20; the maximum number is 200; for saving and printing larger retrievals, set the display to the maximum

General Searching Tips

To modify a search, click on your browser's Back button.

To clear the query boxes, click on the Reset button on the query screen.

To return to the search screen from within a retrieval display, click on the magnifying glass icon