

CINAHL Plus Tips

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Description:	Covers 4,175 nursing, allied health, biomedicine, behavioural science, education and consumer health journal sand a wide range of other material including books, dissertations, educational software and audiovisual material. Abstracts and alerts are available.	 Timetables Extensions and special 	 Resource lists Study resources	 Search and access library resources Library homepage 				

Note CINAHL's default set-up:

The search is of controlled vocabulary terms not records.

Remove the tick if you want to go straight to finding records with your search term.

EBSCO	Searching: CINAHL Plus Choose Databases	
		Select a Field (optional) -
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	Basic Search Advanced Search Search History	

Subject Terms / Subject Headings (controlled vocabulary):

Controlled vocabulary/subject headings are added by CINAHL Plus to consistently describe articles on that subject, no matter the words and phrases used by the author(s).

• Most databases use their own specific thesaurus of subject terms which reflect their country of origin and professional focus.

Pros:

 A good way of getting articles on a subject with lots of different synonyms.

Cons:

- Only two fields are searched.
- There will be records in CINAHL (often newly added ones) without these fields and which therefore cannot be found searching this way.

Healthc rubella (N about fur	are workers and measles-mumps- MMR) status: how worried should we be ther outbreaks?
Authors:	Basu, S; Giri, P; Adisesh, A; MCNAUGHT, R
Source:	Epidemiology & Infection (EPIDEMIOL INFECT), Aug2014; 142(8): 1688-1694. (7p)
Publication Type:	Journal Article - research
Language:	English
Major Subjects:	Disease Outbreaks Health Personnel Measles – Prevention and Control Measles-Mumps-Rubella Vaccine – Immunology Mumps – Prevention and Control Occupational Exposure Immunization – Utilization
Minor Subjects:	Adolescence; Adult; Antibodies, Viral – Blood; Europe; Female; Human; Male; Measles – Epidemiology; Measles – Transmission; Measles-Mumps-Rubella Vaccine – Administration and Dosage; Middle Age; Mumps – Epidemiology; Mumps – Transmission; Retrospective Design; Risk Assessment; Young Adult
Abstract:	SUMMARY Recently, a number of outbreaks of measles and mumps have occurred within the UK and Europe. Healthcare workers (HCWs) are at risk of contracting and transmitting disease

Subject headings' Solution: Look for subject headings that match your search and use them as keywords.

Results For: mmr		
Check box to view subheadings.	Click linked term for tree view.	Explode Major Scope (+) Concept
Measles-Mumps-F	Rubella Vaccine	
MMR Vaccines Us	e: Measles-Mumps-Rubella Vaccine	\

<u>Explode</u> returns records with the subject term in either the Major Subjects or the Minor Subjects fields and also records with any narrower terms in those fields too, eg Measles-Mumps-Rubella-Varicella Vaccine in screenshot below – it is the indented term beneath what CINAHL Plus uses for MMR.

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Term Li	st Tree View For: Measles-Mumps-Rube a Vac	cine				results to only those
Check bo view subl	ox to Click linked term headings. for tree view.	Ex	(+)	Major Concept	Scope	records where the subject term strongly reflects a major focus of the article
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	<u>Vaccines</u>				ļ	page 1).
	<u>Vaccines, Combined</u>				ļ	
	Diphtheria-Tetanus-acellular Pertussis Va	accines			(III)	
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	Diphtheria-Tetanus Vaccine				I	what CINAHL Plus means
	Hepatitis A Hepatitis B Vaccine				(III)	by a term.
	Measles-Mumps-Rubella Vaccine	ł			,	
	Measles-Mumps-Rubella-Varicella V	/accine			ļ	

Remove the tick against "Suggest Subject Terms" (top screenshot on page 1)

• The search will be for the terms in all the text fields, not just the Major and Minor Subjects fields.

Use the Search History to:

- See what difference your search terms make to the number of records you find.
- Combine the sets of records in the best way to get results relevant to your research questions and inclusion / exclusion criteria



In the example below, the subject heading searches for the terms CINAHL uses for MMR [S1] and for autism [S4] are augmented with keyword searches [S2, S5] and the resultant search sets [S3, S6] combined to find records with mention of both [S7].

Search S8 has been for all records with the word review (or reviews or reviewed or reviewing *etc*) in the title only. Search S9 is an attempt to find review articles mentioning MMR and autism.

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		S5	🔊 autis*			Expan Search	ders - Apply equivalent modes - Find all my se	subjects earch terms	Q View Resul	ts (33,	177)
		S4	🔊 (MH "Aut	istic Disorder")		Expan Search	ders - Apply equivalent modes - Find all my se	subjects earch terms	Q View Resul	ts (26,	143)
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* = truncation symbol = 0 or any number of characters.

Use "phrase marks" / "double quotation marks" to make the search be only for the words appearing together.

Proximity searching allows the search to be for words within a certain number of words of each other, *eg* nursing N3 education and the word nursing can come before or after the word education.

Use Print Search History or Save Searches/Alerts to remember or record what you have done:

Search History/	Alerts		
Print Search History	Retrieve Searches	Retrieve Alerts	Save Searches / Alerts
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Save Searches/Alerts: Back 7 **EBSCO**host Register to save a search strategy to Folder List re-run it in the future, using "Retrieve Name of Search/Alert review articles for mmr AND autism Searches", and find newly matching Description Date Created 9/17/2021 records. British Education Index Business Source Complete Child Development & Adole CINAHL Plus ent Studi Databases Or use Alert to have newly matching S7 AND S8 Search Strategy Interface EBSCOhost records emailed to you. ve Search As Saved Search (Permanent) Saved Search (Temporary, 24 hours) OAlert Save Cancel

Look for an Export command to take references out of CINAHL Plus.

• In an individual full record or from Folder View if you've been adding records as you find them:



• Bulk Export via Share > Email option:

N.B. The email notification sometimes arrives before the file is ready for download.

The information in brackets (up to 440) indicates that duplicate records are not included in the exported file. This can explain why a smaller number of records is in the exported file than expected, most especially when more than one database has been searched simultaneously.



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