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The following databases contain peer-reviewed literature; many are health-sciences specific and broad in nature. Depending on the research question it may be necessary to search in subject-specific databases. Please contact the relevant 'Information Specialist' for assistance in locating these specialized resources.

Biomedical Databases			
Database	Specialty	Content	Access
CINAHL	Nursing	Occupational therapy, physical therapy, respiratory technology, x-ray technology; more than 1.25 million citations from 2,700 journals 1982-present; legal cases, clinical innovations, critical paths, drug records, research instruments, clinical trials; <i>note: some free full-text available</i>	subscription required
EMBASE	Pharmacy	Biomedical/pharmacological database of 5,000 journals from 70 countries; extensive drug information; over 8 million citations (most with abstracts); European focus but international information; <i>note: some content available free through Scirus</i>	subscription required
Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews	Biomedicine	Combines 7 evidence-based medicine resources into a single, fully-searchable database; over 360,000 citations/articles; EBM databases: Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effectiveness (DARE), Health Technology Assessments (HTA), NHS Economic Evaluation Database, ACP Journal Club, Definitive Controlled Trials, Cochrane Methodology Register	subscription required
LILACS	Medicine	Material from 670 health sciences journals 1982 onwards; focus on Latin America/Caribbean material (articles in Spanish, Portuguese, English); little overlap with Medline/EMBASE; <i>note: comprehensive searches should always include LILACS (required by Cochrane Review Group)</i>	free
Medline	Biomedicine	Most important biomedical/health sciences database; citations/abstracts from 5,398 journals published in 70 countries 1966 - present; over 14 million citations; slight US focus	subscription required
Micromedex	Biomedicine	Summaries/detailed monographs: drugs, disease, alternative medicine; toxicological management, reproductive risks, emergency care	subscription required

PubMed	Biomedicine	National Library of Medicine's database (free access to Medline); over 18 million citations; content not found in Medline: pre-1966 citations, in-process citations not yet added to Medline; citations for journals out-of-scope in Medline	free
Scopus	Biomedicine	Largest scientific citation database; more than 38 million citations; indexes over 18,000 journals; patents; conference proceedings; advanced citation linking abilities	contact Information Specialist for access
UptoDate	Medicine	Point-of-care evidence-based medicine tool; topic reviews include: synthesis of literature, latest evidence, specific recommendations for patient care	subscription required
Web of Science	Sciences, Arts, Law, Business	Access to: Art & Humanities Citation Index 1975-present, Science Citation Index Expanded 1900-present, Social Sciences Citation Index 1956-present; focus on: physical sciences, medical sciences, life sciences, applied sciences, agriculture, humanities and social sciences, law, business	subscription required
Other Relevant Databases			
Database	Specialty	Content	Access
AGRICOLA	Agriculture	Over 3.3 million records: major agricultural subjects from 1970 - present; US-based focus	subscription required
Academic Search Complete	Multi-disciplinary	Broad, comprehensive full-text database; indexes over 10,315 journals (8,994 peer reviewed); over 6,000 journals in full-text; some content from 1887	subscription required
CAB Direct	Life Sciences	Over 5 million citations from 9,000 journals in Land Science: agriculture, forestry, environmental sciences, global health, nutrition, animal sciences; includes lesser-known material from international journals, independent publishers, learned societies	subscription required
Canadian Newsstand	Newspapers	Full-text Canadian national/leading regional newspaper database; <i>note: does not include peer-reviewed resources but still relevant to obtain information on public opinion/coverage of various areas of interest; includes breaking news/controversy that may not appear in peer-reviewed journals for some time</i>	subscription required
Compendex	Engineering	International coverage in all areas of engineering 1884 - present; contains 11.3 million records from 190 engineering disciplines in 5,600 periodicals published in 55 countries	subscription required
GREENR	Environmental Sciences	Global Reference on the Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources (GREENR) focuses on academic study of sustainability and the environment. Searchable by issue or country. Contains material from journals, magazines, newspapers, blogs, podcasts and more.	subscription required

PsycInfo	Psychology	Citations/summaries from 2,426 journals in 25 languages with dates ranging from 1887; all areas of psychology/related disciplines: medicine, psychiatry, nursing, sociology, education, pharmacology, physiology, linguistics, anthropology, sport, business, law	subscription required
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