

Finding evidence-based clinical information

Access

Find links to these resources at the Library's list of [databases](#). Off-site access requires an [OpenAthens](#) login.

Part 1. Drug-related queries

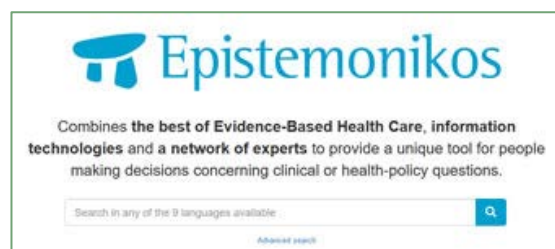
Use the following resources:

- Australian Medicines Handbook
- Australian Injectable Drugs Handbook
- Australian Medicines Handbook Children's Dosing Companion
- BNF for Children
- Lexicomp
- Martindale's Adverse Drug Reactions checker
- Micromedex (Drugdex & Poisindex)
- MIMS Online
- Natural Medicines
- Palliative Care Formulary
- RCH Paediatric Injectable Guidelines
- Renal Drug Database
- RWH Pregnancy & Breastfeeding Medicines Guide
- Stockleys Drug Interactions
- Therapeutic Guidelines
- TOXINZ Poisons Information

Part 2. Other clinical queries

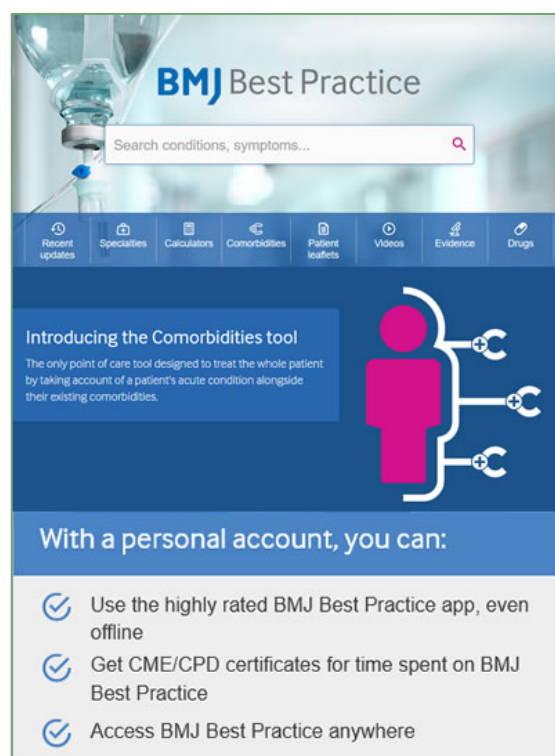
Epistemonikos

- Free access
- Basic search supports 9 languages but Advanced search is only in English.
- Supports Boolean operators: AND, OR and NOT
- Supports parentheses
- Wildcard truncation is the asterisk*
- Use quotes for "exact phrases".



BMJ Best Practice

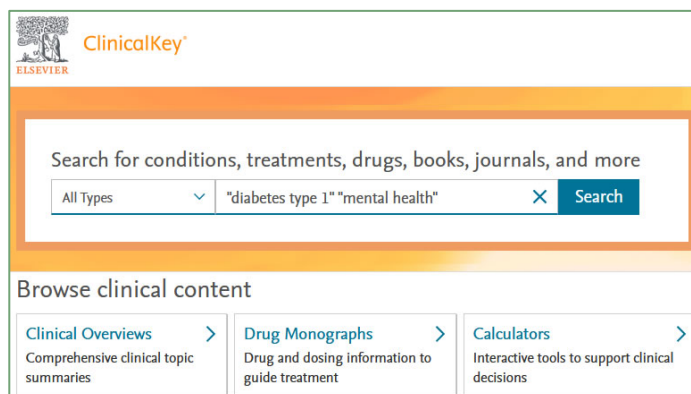
- Off-site access is via OpenAthens
- Use the *Search BMJ Best Practice* field or *Show conditions*
- Each topic includes: *Highlights, Basics, Prevention, Diagnosis, Treatment, Follow Up* and *Resources*
- Some *Treatment* sections include an *Evidence* subsection with links to Clinical Evidence
- Automatically expands queries with synonyms and considers all word variants
- No need to use truncation *
- Search terms automatically connected by AND
- Supports Boolean AND, OR, NOT (in caps)
- Does not support parentheses ()
- Use quotes for "exact phrase"
- Get the mobile version:
 1. Go to BMJ Best Practice while on-site at RCH and create a personal account
 2. Download the app on your device from the Apple Store or Google Play
 3. Log in with your personal account.



Finding evidence-based clinical information

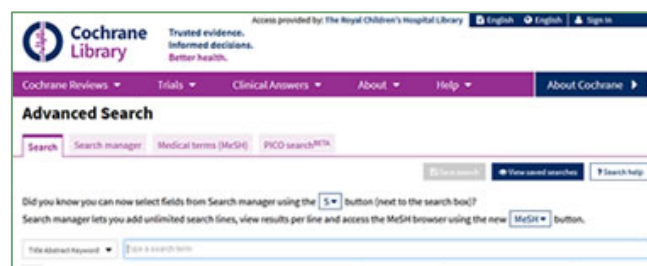
ClinicalKey

- Searches books, journals, the Clinics of North America, patient education, drugs, multimedia and guidelines
- Off-site access is via OpenAthens
- Enter a natural language search term into any *Search* field, for example: **"diabetes type 1" "mental health"**
- Does not support Boolean operators AND, OR, NOT
- Does not support truncation *
- Does not support parentheses ()
- Use quotes for "exact phrase"
- Register/Login to use *Presentation Maker* and to create a *Reading List*
- Content type 'Journals' denotes available in full text (content type 'MEDLINE' is indexed in Medline but is not full text).



The Cochrane Library

- Must search both keywords and thesaurus (MeSH)
- Use asterisk (*) for truncation
- Use *Advanced Search* for keyword searching, and *Medical Terms (MeSH)* for thesaurus searching
- See Fact Sheet no.5: [The Cochrane Library](#) for search tips.

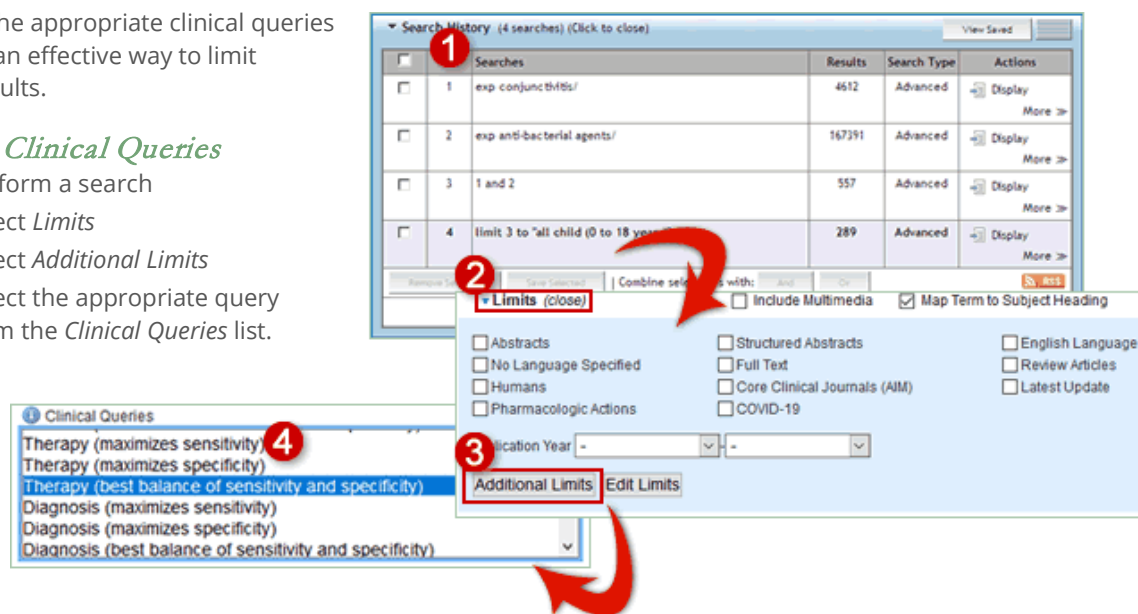


Ovid Medline

Applying the appropriate clinical queries in Ovid is an effective way to limit search results.

Limit to Clinical Queries

1. Perform a search
2. Select *Limits*
3. Select *Additional Limits*
4. Select the appropriate query from the *Clinical Queries* list.



Help

- Sign up for Library [Training](#)
- [Contact us](#)