

Transition to CINAHL on EBSCOhost Help Sheet

Shortcut comparison – EBSCOhost & OvidSP:

EBSCOhost & OvidSP Shortcuts				
	EBSCOhost		OvidSP	
	Example		Example	
subject search	"mh" before the term	mh stroke	/ after the main heading	stroke/
explode	"+" after the term	diabetes mellitus+	"exp" before the term	exp diabetes mellitus
focus	"mm" before the term	mm stroke	"*" before the term	*stroke
subheading	use "/" after the main heading followed by subheading	mh stroke/et	use / after the main heading followed by subheading	stroke/et
		mm Diabetes Mellitus+/di		exp *diabetes mellitus/di
floating subheading	use mj (major subject) or mw (all subjects) fields	MJ drug therapy or MJ "dt" (with quotes)	use fs. followed by the subheading abbreviation	fs.dt
truncation	"*" at the end of a term	econom*	"*" at the end of a term	econom*
wild cards	"?" within a term	wom?n finds women & woman	"?" within a term	wom?n finds women & woman
field searching	use the two-letter codes <u>before</u> the term	ti vitamin c	use the two-letter codes <u>after</u> the term, preceded by a "."	vitamin c.ti
		au nair b		nair b.au
		au nair b*		nair b*.au
proximity	use nX to finds words within X words of each other	vitamin c n5 stress	use adjX to finds words within X words of each other	vitamin c adj5 stress

Some things you may not have known when moving over to EBSCOhost for CINAHL

EBSCOhost is the only platform to offer Searchable Cited References on CINAHL. In fact, these are included for over 1,200 of the most used journals in CINAHL and from 1985 to present. Please see <http://tinyurl.com/5vrc4o>.

EBSCOhost is the only platform to include Pre-CINAHL. This has immediate TOC for 1,638 core journals, and enables journals to be searched (via keyword) prior to the complex indexing being completed.

EBSCOhost is the only platform to offer Image QuickView for CINAHL full-text journals, and currently has this for 320 full-text journals in CINAHL Plus with Full-text. IQV draws images (tables, graphs, formulae) from the article and displays them as thumbnails on the result list:

The screenshot shows the EBSCOhost search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Keyword', 'Subjects', 'Publications', 'Cited References', and 'More'. The search bar contains the keyword 'sarcoma'. Below the search bar, there are options for 'Visual Search', 'Advanced Search', 'Search History/Alerts', and 'Preferences'. The main content area displays 'All Results 1-10 of 1981' and 'Page: 1 2 3 4 5 Next'. The search results are sorted by 'Date'. The first result is 'Monophasic synovial sarcoma' from 'Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine', which includes a PDF full-text link and a 'Show all 6 images' option. The second result is 'Dealing with patients with soft tissue sarcoma' from 'RN', which includes a PDF full-text link and an 'Add to folder' option. The third result is 'Geriatric patients treated for sarcoma' from 'Journal of Gerontological Nursing', which includes a PDF full-text link and a 'Remove from folder' option. The fourth result is 'Reflections on three studies' from 'Journal of Advanced Nursing', which includes a PDF full-text link and an 'Add to folder' option. On the right side, there is a 'Limit your results' section with checkboxes for 'References Available' and 'Full Text', and a 'Results Date Range' slider set to 1886-2008. Below this, there is a 'Folder has items' section with a list of items and a 'Go to Folder View' link. The EBSCOhost logo is visible in the bottom center of the page.

