

Literature Searching in PubMed: Advanced Course



Exercise 1:

Open PubMed (<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?otool=unibaslib>) and go to the MeSH database (link on the lower right).



Perform the following searches in the PubMed Search Builder and note the correct number of hits:

1. *hypericum[mesh]*
2. Same search as 1st, but limit to articles where this MeSH term describes the major topic:
hypericum[majr]
3. Same search as 1st, but now limit with the subheading *adverse effects*:
hypericum/adverse effects[mesh]
4. Same search as 2nd, but limited by the subheading *adverse effects*:
hypericum/adverse effects[majr]

Bonus task:

Link the 1st MeSH search with at least two text words of your choice.

Solutions as of 07. November 2023:

1. 2,495 hits
2. 2,038 hits
3. 265 hits
4. 178 hits

Bonus task:

hypericum[mesh] OR st john's wort[tiab] OR st johns wort[tiab] OR saint johns wort[tiab]

==> 3,273 hits