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Literature Searching in PubMed: Advanced Course



Exercise 1:

Open PubMed (<u>https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?otool=unibaslib</u>) 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.



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Solutions as of 18. October 2024:

- 1. 2,568 hits
- 2. 2,109 hits
- 3. 266 hits
- 4. 179 hits

Bonus task:

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

==> 2,879 hits