


Finding Articles in the Life Sciences Using BIOSIS Previews

BIOSIS Previews is the world's most comprehensive reference database for life science research. It covers original research reports and reviews in biological and biomedical areas.

- From a library workstation, click  and then select option **6. Article Databases**,
- or
- From a laptop or personal computer, you can **Start@Biomed**:
 - Option A:** From **UCLA Library** home page use the **Libraries and Collections** menu to select **The Libraries**; then choose **Biomedical Library**.
 - Option B:** In the Address/Location box, type: **http://www.library.ucla.edu/biomed**; press **Enter**.

On the Biomedical Library home page, click the **Key Resources** tab and select **BIOSIS Previews (life sciences)**.

Searching

Type keyword(s) in the **Topic** box and click 

Note: To search for an **exact phrase** use quotation marks around each phrase. To combine two or more concepts, the words or phrases must be separated by the word **“AND.”**

Search for:

Example: bird migrat AND "South America"*

If the word or phrase you are using has alternative spellings (e.g., British), use a truncation symbol (*) so that you can find all of the forms of the word. Using the asterisk truncation symbol (see below) will retrieve more results than a search without truncation.

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Using More Search Options

Consider using other search fields to expand or reduce your results. Do a search and look at some of the records in your results list. If you see words or phrases that may be useful search terms, go back to the **Search** page and type them into the appropriate field. For example, if you searched using the common name (e.g., sea lion), the Taxonomic Data grid on the record will tell you the scientific name, *Otariidae*. If you redo your search using the scientific name in the topic field, you will get even more results.

Setting Limits

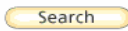
- Use the drop-down menus on the Search page to limit your search by author, publication name, year published, language, or document type.

Search for:

All document types in Document Type

Article
 Abstract of Published Item
 Art Exhibit Review

Select one or more from the list above.

- Select the **Change Limits** link at the bottom of the Search page to limit by timespan or citation database.
- After you type your search terms and select your limits, click  at the bottom of the page.

E-mailing, Printing, and Saving Your Results

- Select citations by clicking in the box () next to the citation.
 - In Step 1 in the box on the bottom of the results page to choose **Selected records on page**, **All records on page**, or a range of **Records** (e.g., Records 1 to 15).
 - In Step 2, select how you want your selected results to be formatted.

Output Records

Step 1:



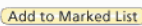


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
Step 2:

Authors, Title, Source
 plus Abstract
 Full Record
 plus Cited Reference


- In Step 3, click on **Print**, **E-mail**, **Add to Marked List**, **Save to EndNote Web**, or, **Save to EndNote, RefMan, or other reference software**.

Step 3:



Locating Items

- To read or print an article, click  to display options.
 - If online access is available, you will see a link to the full text first.
 - If there is no **Get It Online From** link, check electronic and/or print availability of your title at UCLA by choosing the **Check the UCLA Library Catalog** option.
 - Click the **ONLINE ACCESS** link (if present) or note the specific UCLA library, call number, and volumes owned.
 - If UCLA does not have the item, use the **Request this from another library** option to request an interlibrary loan if you are a current UCLA faculty, staff, or student.

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