

Finding Science and Social Science Articles Using Web of Science Cited Reference Searching

Getting Started

1. Start at the Biomedical Library home page for best results:
<http://www.library.ucla.edu/libraries/biomed>
2. Click the **Key Resources** tab and select **Web of Science**.

Basics

Cited reference searching enables you to find articles from journals that have cited a book, a patent, or another article. Through a cited reference search, you can discover how a known idea or innovation has been confirmed, applied, improved, extended, or corrected.

Select **Show Limits** and use the drop-down menus to search all years or specific years.

Limit to: [\(Hide Limits\)](#)

Timespan:

All Years (updated December 09, 2007)

From 1900-1914 to 2007 (default is all years)

Citation Databases:

Science Citation Index Expanded (SCI-EXPANDED)--1900-present

Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI)--1956-present

Arts & Humanities Citation Index (A&HCI)--1975-present

[To remember these settings, first sign in or register.](#)

You may search all three databases of Web of Science or select a specific one by clicking in the box () next to the database(s) you wish to search.

1. Click [Cited Reference Search](#)
2. Enter the cited author, work, and/or the date in the appropriate boxes.

Be sure to follow the formats indicated for each piece of information. For

example, authors' names must be entered last name, first initial followed by an asterisk (*). Journal titles must be abbreviated *exactly* the way they are in Web of Science; click the **journal abbreviation list** link to find out how to enter your journal title. See the **search aid icons** to the right of the search boxes.

Cited Reference Search. Find the articles that cite a person's work

Step 1: Enter the author's name, the work's source, and/or publication year.

Cited Author:
Example: O'Brian C* OR OBrian C*

Cited Work:
Example: J Comput Appl Math* journal abbreviation list

Cited Year(s):
Example: 1943 or 1943-1945


3. After you have filled in the boxes, click to start your cited reference search.
4. You will see a list of possible articles that match your request. Put a check mark next to each citation that seems relevant. Remember that citations can vary in accuracy. Review the list carefully and select all that seem relevant.

Select	Cited Author	Cited Work [SHOW EXPANDED TITLES]	Year	Volume	Page	Article ID	Citing Articles **
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5. Click to see a list of articles that cite the original articles that you selected.
6. Click on the title of an article to get more information. You will be taken to a screen that contains the abstract of the article, the cited references for that article, and citations for any articles that have cited this one in their references.
7. Click [<< Back to results list](#) to return to your list of citing articles.


Note: For more ways to search Web of Science, see the library's **Searching by Topic and/or Author** handout.

Locating Items from Your Search Results

1. To see electronic/print access to a title, use the  icon to display options.
 - a. If online access is available, you will see a link to the full text.
 - b. To check print availability of your title at UCLA, choose the **Check the UCLA Library Catalog** option.
 - c. 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.

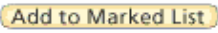



Expanding Your Search Results


If you are not finding enough material on your topic, there are several ways to expand your search. *Click on the title of any article that is of interest to you and try the following options.*

1. Click the  button. You will be taken to a list of articles similar in topic to the original article.
2. Click the **References** link located below the citation information. You will be taken to the list of articles used as references for the original article.
3. Click the **Times Cited** link located below the citation information. You will be taken to a list of articles that cited this article **after** it was written.
4. See also the library's **Web of Science Searching by Topic and/or Author** handout as an additional way to expand your search on a topic.

You may save a list of citations for printing, e-mailing, and downloading.

Saving Search Results to a List

1. Click on the box next to each item you wish to save.
2. Click  at the top of the page to save citations in a list.
3. A  button will appear next to each item you selected.
4. When you have saved all desired citations to your marked list, click .
5. Click  to view and manage your records. You may select the fields you would like to appear in your final list.




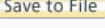
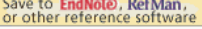



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*Selecting these items will increase the processing time.

6. Select action for output by clicking on the appropriate button(s).

Step 2. Select an option.

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Automatically delete selected records from the Marked List after output is complete.