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OvidSP's Basic Search

Finding information online is easy with Basic Search.

OvidSP offers lots of tools to make your online search more powerful. With Basic Search, Natural Language Processing helps you retrieve the most relevant results quickly. You don't have to use complex and hard-to-remember syntax rules or search conventions. Just enter a complete question or phrase and go!



Enter a phrase or group of terms in everyday language.

Click Include Related Terms to expand the original search criteria with word variations, synonyms, and antonyms.

Use the Search Aid to see the terms of your original search and for further refinement.

The screenshot displays the OvidSP Basic Search interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Wolters Kluwer Health' and 'OvidSP' logos, along with links for 'Database Field Guide', 'Support & Training', 'Help', and 'Logoff'. Below this, there are options to 'Change Database', 'Your Journals@Ovid', 'All Journals', 'Books', and 'Clin-guide'. A 'Search History' section shows a previous search for 'side effects of long term use of methotrexate for arthritis (Including Related Terms)' with 10019 results. The main search area has a search box containing the same query and options for 'Check Spelling', 'Include Related Terms', and 'Database Search'. The 'Results Manager' section allows users to select results, choose fields, and format results. The search results are displayed in a list, with the top results being highly relevant, as indicated by their 5-star scores. A 'Search Aid' sidebar on the left provides a hierarchical view of the search terms used, such as 'side effects', 'adverse drug reactions', and 'inflammatory arthritis'. At the bottom, there are options for 'Limit to Star Ranking' and 'Narrow search' by subjects, authors, or journals.

View search statements in the Search History, which you can move above or below the search box. Expand or collapse according to your preference.

Display, print, email, and save your results with the Results Manager, which you can collapse to save screen space.

Basic Search results are ranked by relevance, with the most relevant listed first.

Ask your librarian for more information on how to use Basic Search —user guides, training resources, and more!

