



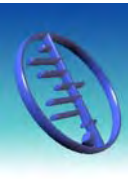
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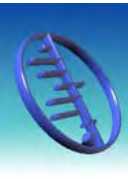
What is the Cochrane Library?

- The Cochrane Library is a collection of resources. It is the main output of the Cochrane Collaboration and aims to bring together in one place reliable information about the effects of health care treatments or interventions.

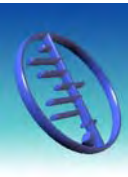


The Cochrane Library databases

- **The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (Cochrane Reviews)**
A rapidly growing list of regularly updated summaries of the best available evidence prepared by members of the Cochrane Collaboration.
- **The Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (CENTRAL)**
Where to look if you want to track down the original studies – the largest single source of controlled trials.
- **The Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (DARE)**
Other published reviews prepared by people outside of the Cochrane Collaboration.



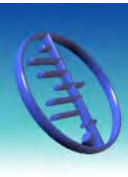
- **The Cochrane Database of Methodology Reviews (Methodology Reviews)**
Where to find research about the best way to conduct a systematic review.
- **The Cochrane Methodology Register (CMR)**
As exciting as it sounds! Where to find studies which look at the science of systematic reviewing.
- **About the Cochrane Collaboration (About)**
Where to look for information about Cochrane review groups and other activities of the Cochrane Collaboration.
- **The Health Technology Assessment Database (HTA)**
An international collection of health technology assessments.
- **The NHS Economic Evaluation Database (NHS EED)**
International economic evaluations of health care interventions.



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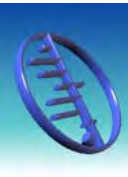
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- **Cochrane Reviews**
 - Full text systematic reviews - ongoing and completed
 - (currently 2,785 Complete Reviews and 1,625 Protocols)
- **Other reviews (Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects)**
 - Assessments of reviews
 - (currently 5,574 abstracts of non-Cochrane reviews)
- **Clinical Trials**
 - Bibliographic references of reports of trials
 - (currently 477,942 citations of trials)
- **Methods studies**
 - 23 systematic reviews of methodology issues
 - 8,408 references to methodology studies



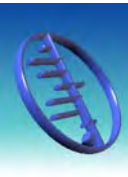
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- **Technology assessments**
 - 6,088 abstracts of health technology assessment reports
- **Economic evaluations (NHS Economic evaluation database)**
 - 18,852 abstracts of economic evaluations of health care interventions



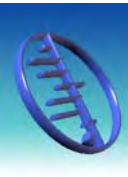
Access to the Cochrane Library

- **Abstracts are freely available from www.Cochrane.org**
- **Cochrane Library is accessible to over 189 million citizens worldwide through national and regional licenses (including Saskatchewan, NB, health care professionals in NS and the three Northern Territories in Canada)**
- **Full text Spanish language translation, partial text German, Italian, Japanese, Swedish translation**



Secondary products

- **Specialized libraries (Reproductive Health Library)**
- **Cochrane Child Health journal**
- **Clinical Evidence (distributed freely to over 50,000 professionals within the UK National Service, to professionals in the USA (courtesy of the Unit Health Foundation) and on-line to over 100 low and middle-income countries).**
- **Clinical practice guidelines**




How to find information?

- There are two ways to find information in the Library.
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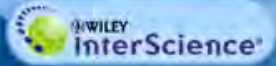
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As a clinician you are under constant pressure to have high-quality, up-to-date evidence at your fingertips. [More](#)

For Researchers

The internet has given us instant access to a huge amount of research, but the large volume of available information is a problem in itself. [More](#)

For Patients

Healthcare consumers and patients need high quality evidence about the effectiveness of treatments. [More](#)

For Policy Makers

As a policy maker or healthcare manager you are a generalist in search of high-quality information across a broad range of issues. [More](#)

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111 new reviews, 58 updated reviews, 94 new protocols and 2 updated protocols, including:

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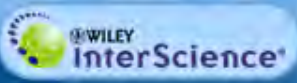
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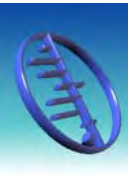
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Basic searching

- The most basic search can be done from The Cochrane Library homepage
- When using this basic search option, searches are performed across all the databases

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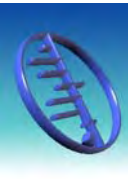
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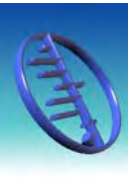
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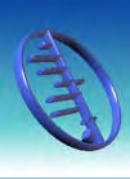
Advanced searching

- For greater flexibility choose the **Cochrane Advanced Search**
- The Advanced Search screen allows you to build searches by combining several different concepts using Boolean operators (AND, OR or NOT) and lets you limit your search according to particular databases, types of record or year(s).

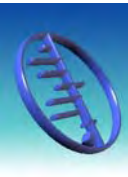


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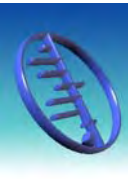
- The HTA database brings together details of completed and ongoing health technology assessments (studies of the medical, social, ethical and economic implications of health care interventions) from around the world. The aim of the database is to improve the quality and cost-effectiveness of health care.



- The HTA database is produced by the Center for Review and Dissemination (CRD) at the University of York, UK, using information obtained from members of The International Network of Agencies for Health Technology Assessment (INAHTA) and other health technology assessment organizations.



- The HTA database was created in 1998. Many of the records on it were originally on the DARE database, so some publications records date back earlier than this. New records are continually added to the database, so the most recent publications on the database will have been published in the last few months.



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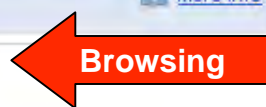
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- [AcBUS standards: Indications for specific IGE tests in allergic diseases \(AcBUS= healthcare best practice agreements\) \(project\) \(Brief record\)](#)
- [AcBUS standards: massotherapy and kinesiotherapy in low back pain \(AcBUS= healthcare best practice agreements\) \(project\) \(Brief record\)](#)
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- [Accuracy and reliability of using computerized interpretation of electrocardiograms for routine examinations \(Structured abstract\)](#)
- [The accuracy of bioelectric impedance analysis in assessing fat free mass in patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease \(Structured abstract\)](#)
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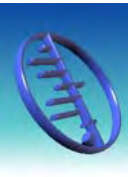


Searching examples

- 1) Are bisphosphonates useful for treating osteoporosis or osteoporotic fracture?
- 2) Can diet or dietary advice have a positive impact on the heart problems?
- 3) Suggestions?

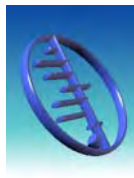


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More help

- Another resource available from the Library homepage is the **User Guide** developed by the Library's publishers. This 20-page booklet is available as a PDF file and gives an overview of the Cochrane Library on Wiley InterScience.



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