



Duke University Medical Center Library

Setting Up Filters In PubMed: My NCBI

Sign in or Register


Connect to <http://www.mclibrary.duke.edu/pubmed>. In the upper right corner of the screen or under *PubMed Services*, select **My NCBI**. If you have a My NCBI account, you can sign in using your user name and password. New users may register for an account by clicking on **Register**.

Filters

Filters allow you to group search results by specific criteria. They appear as tabs on the results screen. Clicking on a tab will display results limited by the selected filter. Currently, the default filters for the Duke community are *Review*, *Systematic Review*, and *dukemlib* (Duke holdings), which appear when you are not signed into My NCBI. When you sign in, your preferences will override these defaults.

Selecting a Filter after Searching

NOTE: You can select up to five filters that will remain in your My NCBI account until you de-select them.

1. From the results screen, click on the *hammer and wrench icon*  located beside the tabs.
2. Sign in to **My NCBI**, if you are not already.
3. Select from the list of **Frequently Requested** Filters, **Browse** to view other filters, or create **Custom** Filters.

Example Filter: Articles Available at Duke

This filter will limit a search to articles that the Duke Medical Center Library has access to in electronic or print format.

1. Click on **Browse Filters**.
2. Under *LinkOut*, select **Libraries**.
3. From the *Libraries Filters* list, select **Duke Medical Center Library**.
4. Place a check beside *Add as a result tab*.
5. Return to PubMed results screen.
6. Click on the **dukemlib** tab to see your filtered results.


Example Filter: Clinical Query for Therapy/Narrow

This filter will limit a search using the clinical query filter for therapy questions by looking for randomized controlled trials. (Learn more about clinical queries at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/corehtml/query/static/clinical.shtml>.)

1. Click on **Browse Filters**.
2. Under *Properties*, select **Clinical Queries**.
3. From the *Clinical Queries Filters* list, place a check beside **Therapy/Narrow**.
4. Return to PubMed results screen.
5. Click on the **Therapy/Narrow** tab to see your filtered results.

Other useful filters include *Age Groups* (under *Properties*) and *Systematic Reviews, Nursing Journals* and *Core Clinical Journals* (under *Properties - Subsets*).

De-selecting Filters

1. From the results screen, click on the *hammer and wrench icon*  located beside the tabs.
2. Sign in to **My NCBI**, if you are not already.
3. De-select the box beside the filter you wish to remove.

