

Maternity and Infant Care 1973 -

What is Maternity and Infant Care?

The definitive Maternity and Infant Care database from MIDIRS (Midwives Information and Resource Service) Maternity and Infant Care is a database you can search to find journal articles relating to all aspects of midwifery, maternity and infant care topics. It covers 1973 to the present, and “contains over 120,000 references with abstracts to journal articles from over 550 international English language journals, books, and grey literature relating to pregnancy, labour, birth, postnatal care, and neonatal care and the first year of an infant’s life.” (Source: OVID database guide description August 2008).

How do I get started?

This guide covers basic search techniques. See the section at the end for further help and suggestions. **Please note** that although the layout and colour of screens may change from time to time as Wolters Kluwer and Ovid SP improve the database, the functionality remains essentially the same. If you need help, please ask a member of the Library Staff.

To access Maternity and Infant Care, go to the A-Z of Electronic Resources section of the BCU Library Homepage at <http://library.bcu.ac.uk/frameEgateways.htm> and locate the database in the alphabetical list under M. This will take you to the Ovid: Choose a database screen (as Fig. 1 below). Click on the Maternity and Infant Care link to enter the database.

Searching

To search the database for a subject, enter a word or phrase in the Enter Keyword or phrase box and click on Search. (Fig.1)

Truncation

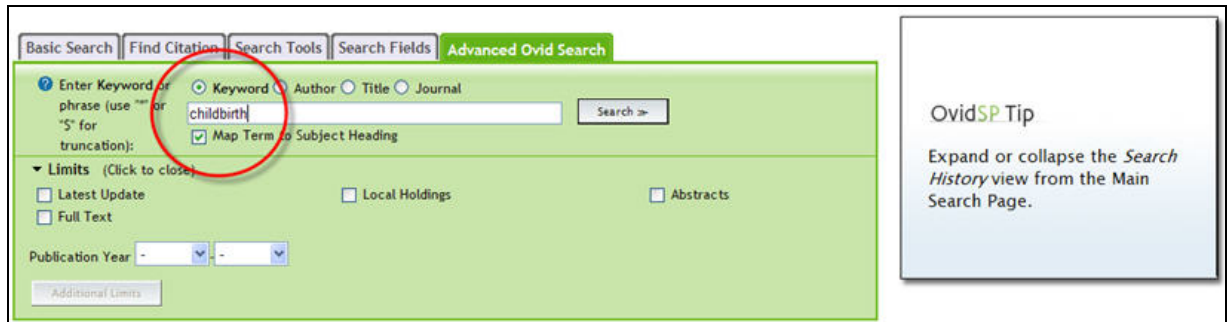
Use * to retrieve unlimited word endings (e.g. child* for child, children, childish)

Use # to replace exactly one character (e.g. wom#n for woman or women)

Use ? to replace 0 or 1 character (e.g. labo?r for labor or labour)

Alternatively, tick the box Map term to subject heading...

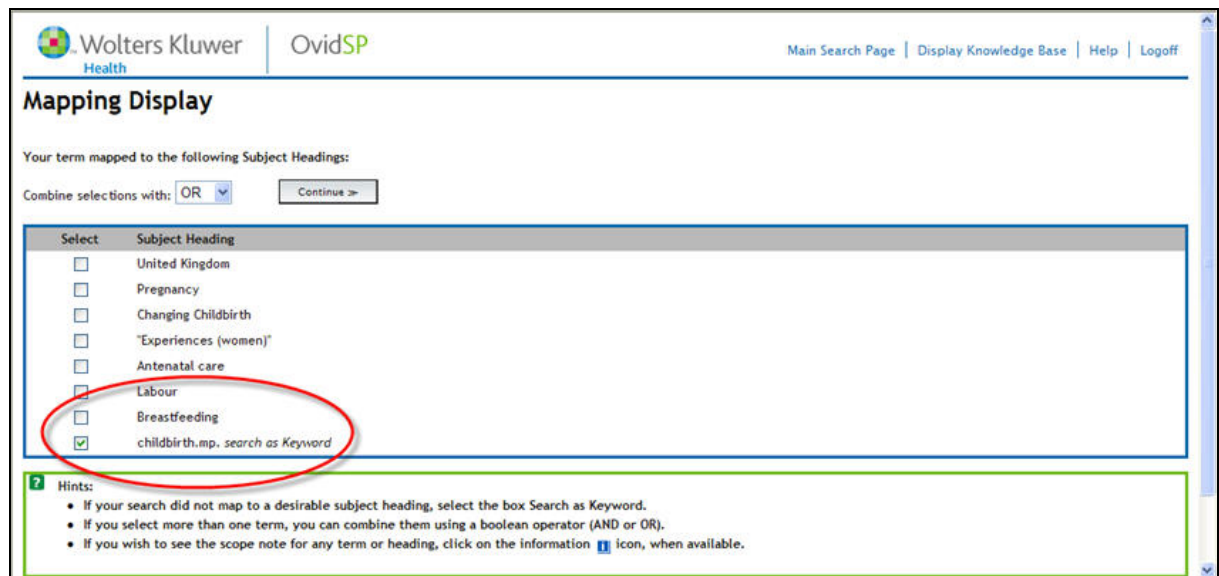
Fig.1



This will present you with a list of possible subject headings. (Fig.2). If you see a subject heading that fits with your topic, put a tick in the box next to the term. If you don't want to use any of these suggested terms, scroll down the list and tick your original search term. This will be searched as a keyword.

Click on

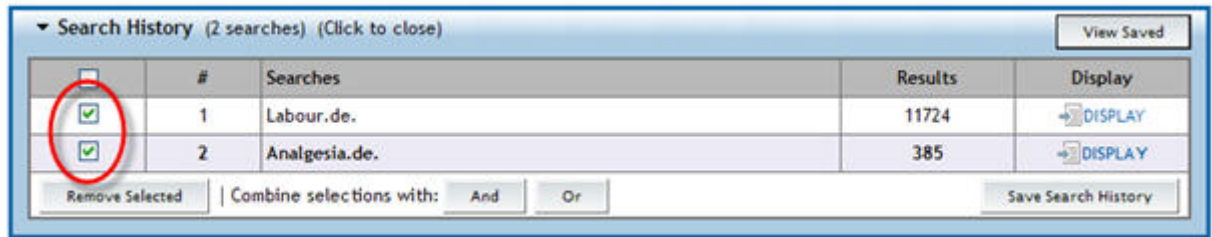
Fig. 2



The results of the search are displayed.

Scroll up the page to add another term in the search box (repeating the above process)

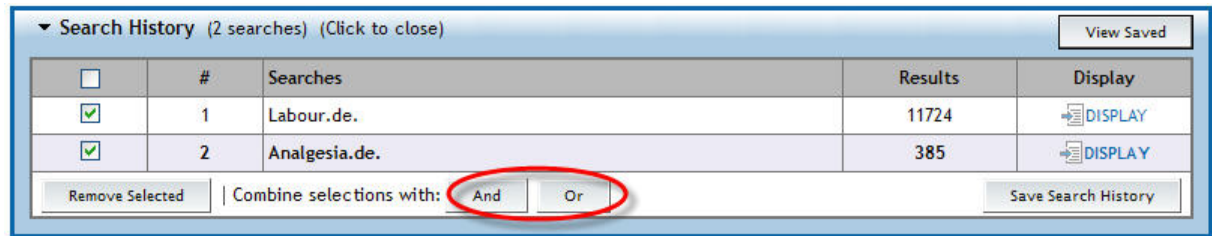
Fig.3



Combining searches

Open the search history box and tick the searches you want to combine. Select **And** or **Or** as appropriate (Fig.3)

Fig. 4



AND will find articles common to both topics; **OR** will find articles on either one or other of the topics

Limits - Use this option to restrict the results of a search to specific limits such as Local Holdings (which allows you to restrict results to items available via the University, either in hard copy or electronic format), Abstracts, Full Text or date range. (Fig.5)

Fig.5



Click on **Additional Limits** button for more limit options, e.g. publication types, country, and other aspects of Midwifery.

Author Search – Select **Author** to search for documents by a specific author. Enter the author's last name followed by first initial. (Fig.6)

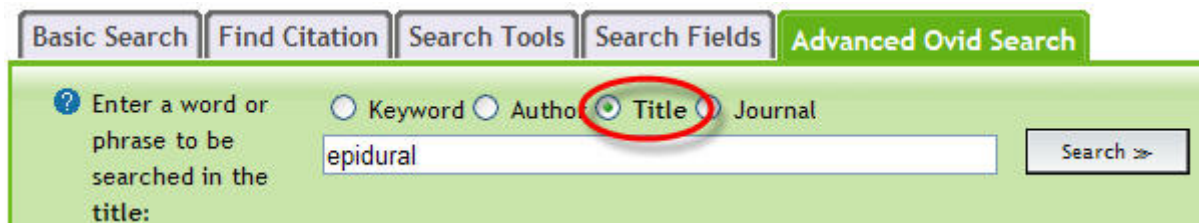
Fig.6



The screenshot shows a search interface with five tabs: Basic Search, Find Citation, Search Tools, Search Fields, and Advanced Ovid Search. The 'Advanced Ovid Search' tab is active. Below the tabs, there is a search form. On the left, it says 'Enter Keyword or phrase (use "" or "S" for truncation):'. To the right, there are four radio buttons: Keyword, Author, Title, and Journal. The 'Author' radio button is selected and circled in red. Below the radio buttons is a text input field containing 'Land, L'. To the right of the input field is a 'Search >' button. Below the input field, there is a checkbox labeled 'Map Term to Subject Heading' which is unchecked.

Title Search - Select **Title** to search for documents that contain your specific word or phrase in the title field. (Fig.7)

Fig.7



The screenshot shows the same search interface as Fig.6. The 'Title' radio button is selected and circled in red. The text input field contains the word 'epidural'. The 'Search >' button is visible to the right of the input field.

Journal Search -Select **Journal** to search for documents in a specific journal. You may enter the first few letters of a full journal name, and click on Search to display a list of journal titles, but do not use abbreviations. (Fig.8)

Fig.8

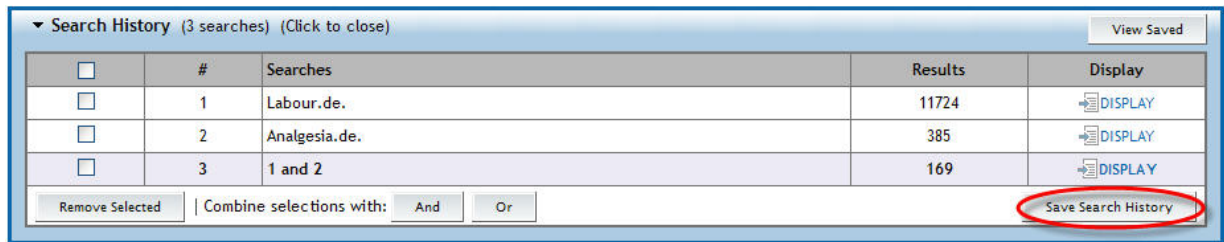


The screenshot shows the same search interface as Fig.6. The 'Journal' radio button is selected and circled in red. The text input field contains the text 'british journal of midwifery'. The 'Search >' button is visible to the right of the input field. Below the input field, there is a note: 'Enter the first few letters of a full journal name; do not use abbreviations'.

Saving, Executing, and Deleting a Search History

To save a search, click on **Save Search History** located above the search history table and either log in or, if you don't have a personal account, create one. Searches can be saved permanently or temporarily (Fig.9).

Fig.9



To execute a saved search, click **View Saved**. Select the search you want to rerun from the displayed list (Fig.10).

Fig.10

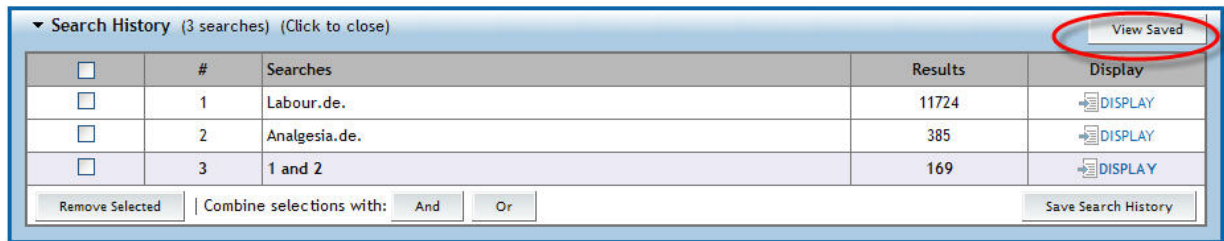
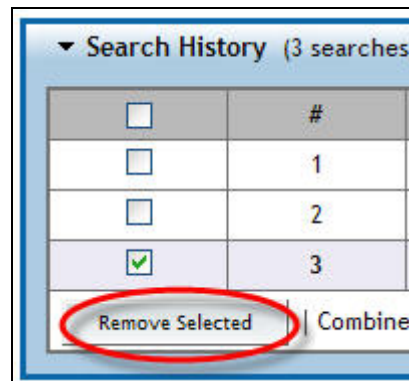


Fig.11

To delete a search statement, tick the search and click **Remove Selected** just below the search history table. (Fig.11).



Print, Email and Save from Results Manager (Fig.12).

Select the references you wish to keep

Fig. 12

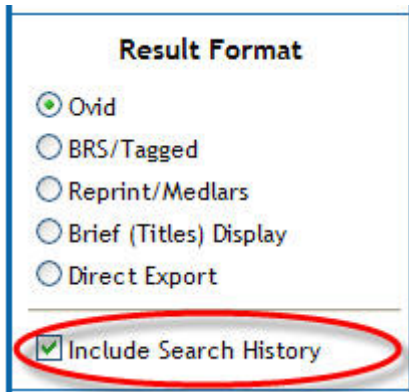
The screenshot shows a search results interface. On the left, there is a 'Search Aid' section with 'Your search' (terms: analgesia, labour) and 'Narrow search' (filters: Authors, Journals). Below this is the 'Results Manager' section, which includes 'Actions' (Display, Print Preview, Email, Save) and 'Results' (Selected Results 1, 3, 4; All on this page; All in this set (1-70)). The main area displays search results for 'analgesia' and 'labour'. Results 1, 3, and 4 are selected, indicated by red circles around their checkboxes. Each result includes the title, journal information, AN number, and buttons for 'View Abstract' and 'Find Citing Articles'. Action buttons for 'Abstract', 'Complete Reference', and 'Ovid Full Text' are also present for each result.

Go to Results Manager which is located to the left of the screen. You can accept the default settings or select alternative ones (Fig.13).

Fig. 13

This screenshot focuses on the 'Results Manager' section. The 'Results' section has radio buttons for 'Selected Results 1, 3, 4' (selected), 'All on this page', and 'All in this set (1-70)'. Below these are 'and/or Range:' and 'Clear Selected Results' buttons. The 'Fields' section has radio buttons for 'Citation (Title, Author, Source)', 'Citation + Abstract' (selected), 'Citation + Abstract + Subject', 'Complete Reference', and 'Select Fields'. The main results area shows results 4 and 5, with result 4 selected. The interface includes buttons for 'View Abstract' and 'Find Citing Articles' for each result, along with 'Abstract' and 'Complete Reference' options.

Fig. 14



You may be required to include your Search History as part of your assignment. If so, remember to tick the Include Search History box further down the page (Fig.14).

To print, select Print Preview from the Actions column and then select Print from the internet browser (Fig.15).

Fig. 15

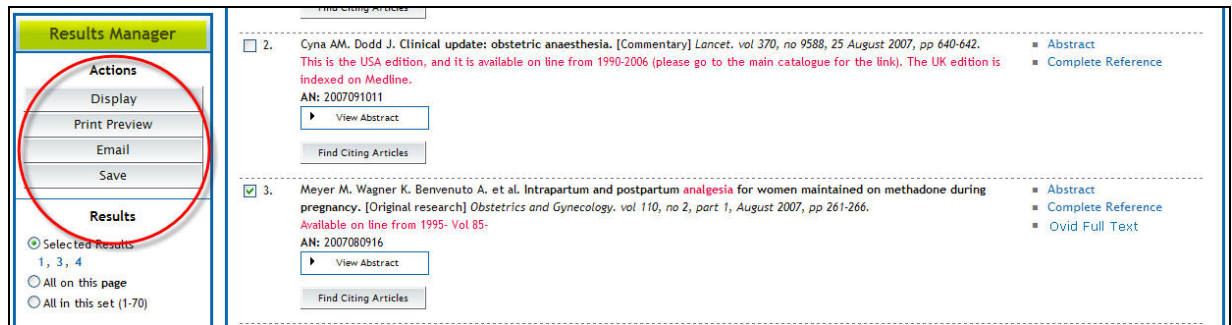


Fig. 16

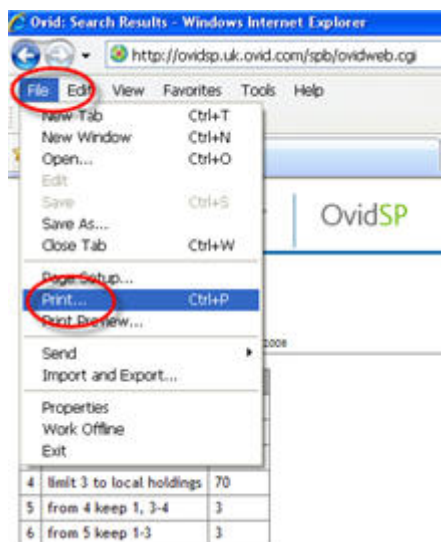
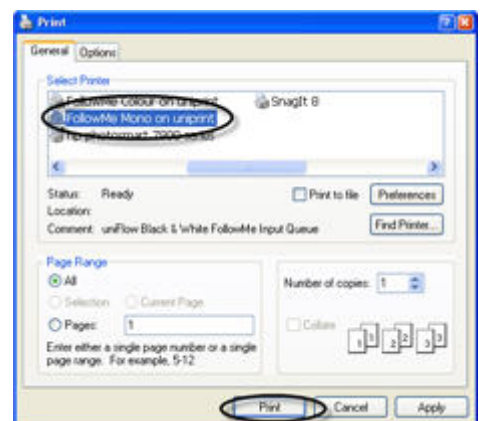


Fig.17

To print, select Print Preview from the Actions column and then select Print from the internet browser. (Fig.16). This will display the familiar dialogue box (Fig 17) linking you to your University printing account.



To email documents, select Email from the Actions column. Enter your email address at box labelled To:. You may enter more than one email address. You can also save searches by clicking Save.

You will produce a list that looks like this (Fig.18)

Fig.18

Search Results	
Maternity and Infant Care 1971 to December 2007	
Results of your search: from 3 [1 and 2] keep 2-4	
Results Available: 3 Results Displayed: 1-3	
Result 1.	
Accession Number	2007101916
Author	Naparstek B.
Title	Guided imagery: a best practice for pregnancy and childbirth.
Source	International Journal of Childbirth Education. vol.22, no 3, September 2007, pp 4-8.
Abstract	Guided imagery is an excellent intervention for the unique demands of pregnancy and childbirth, delivering a ready-made, complementary therapy for childbirth professionals to include in their tool kit. This article explores the ways that imagery takes the listener beyond simple relaxation to set the stage for productive, confident labor; enhance appreciation for the miracle of the body; focus breathing; and, reduce pain and promote a greater sense of connectedness with the baby. It describes recent research showing efficacy, offers samples of its evocative language, and provides practitioner tips for optimal use. (24 references) (Author)
Result 2.	
Accession Number	2007101067
Author	May A. Leighton R.
Title	Epidurals for childbirth. Second edition.
Source	Cambridge University Press. 11 October 2007. 194 pages.
Abstract	Extensively revised and updated, the second edition of Epidurals for Childbirth offers a unique guide to the use of epidurals in obstetrics. Care has been taken to incorporate all recent changes to techniques and management in obstetric anaesthesia. The book presents clear, practical information and advice for all those involved in caring for women throughout pregnancy and labour. It is fully comprehensive, covering all medical aspects of epidurals, including anatomy, physiology and pharmacology. Concise explanations of practical procedures are provided, along with potential problems and complications and how to handle them. Also included is a chapter on how to talk confidently to patients without using medical jargon. This book provides a valuable guide for all delivery suite staff, including obstetricians, midwives, operating department practitioners and anaesthetists. (Publisher)

Next steps:

To find out which journals are held by Birmingham City University both electronic and print, remember to use the A - Z of Full Text Journals <http://be6rq4tf5u.search.serialssolutions.com/> also available via the Electronic Services tab on the Library Website <http://library.bcu.ac.uk>

If you are based at an NHS site, remember to check the journal holdings there as well.

Help - For more detailed explanations of all topics, click on Ovid's online **Help** found at the top right corner of the Main Search screen. For additional reference materials, please visit Ovid Technologies' home page at www.ovid.com

Don't forget that you can **Ask the Library** <http://library.bcu.ac.uk/frameAsk.htm> for help or drop by the enquiry desk; we'll be happy to assist you.

Please click on Logoff at the top right of the screen to exit from the database