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HOW TO FIND BOOKS & E-BOOKS @ LHL

Catalog - searches for both print and e-books
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Search by author, title, keyword, or subject term
1. Identify appropriate database(s)
2. Search effectively
3. Select relevant & appropriate articles
4. Access complete articles

Or

Use begin at one of the search box tabs
IDENTIFY AN APPROPRIATE DATABASE

Databases page
www.uab.edu/lister/databases

Select **Physical Therapy** from Category drop-down menu
IDENTIFY AN APPROPRIATE DATABASE

Each database has description and links to help information, when available

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<td>CINAHL</td>
<td>Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature. Indexing for 3,024 journals for nursing &amp; allied health. Includes Evidence-Based Care Sheets, books, nursing dissertations, conference proceedings, standards of practice, &amp; software.</td>
<td>Off-campus access requires Blazer ID &amp; password. Mobile site and iPhone and Android apps available through links at the bottom of the CINAHL database screen.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CIRRIE Database of International Rehabilitation Research</td>
<td>Contains over 125,000 citations of international rehabilitation research published between 1990 and the present.</td>
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IDENTIFY AN APPROPRIATE DATABASE

Some key databases for physical therapy:

**PubMed** – biomedical and life sciences

**Scopus** – multidisciplinary, international, includes most of PubMed content plus much more

**CINAHL** – nursing and allied health literature

**PEDro** – systematic reviews, randomized control trials, clinical practice guidelines

**Google Scholar** – multidisciplinary
SEARCH EFFECTIVELY

Identify **key concepts** of your search topic

- **Using Key Concepts** tutorial (3:43)

Use **connecting terms** (AND, OR, NOT) to communicate relationships between terms

- **Using Boolean Operators** tutorial (3:55)

Look for helpful database **search limits that focus results** on your information need (e.g., date range, English only, peer-reviewed, type of article, study design, etc.)

Every database searches differently. Look for **Help** or **Search Tips links** within each database or refer to **LHL Guide** on specific database.
SELECT RELEVANT & APPROPRIATE ARTICLES

Look at subject terms listed under abstract to quickly determine relevance & other possible search terms.

Look at the list of similar articles suggested by the database.

Abstract
BACKGROUND: In the Netherlands, direct access to physical therapy was introduced in 2006. Although many therapists through direct access, the frequency and characteristics of episodes of care are unknown.

OBJECTIVE: The purposes of this study were: (1) to investigate the prevalence of direct access to physical therapy in the Netherlands from 2006 to 2009, (2) to examine associations between mode of access (direct versus referral) and the severity of the back complaints at the beginning and end of treatment for direct access and referral.

METHOD: A cross-sectional study was conducted using registration data of physical therapists obtained from a large database. Data were analyzed using logistic regression to explore associations between mode of access and patient clinical characteristics.

RESULTS: The percentage of episodes of care in which patients with back pain directly accessed a physical therapist in 2008 was 52.1%. Characteristics associated with direct access were: middle or higher education level (odds ratio [OR]=1.7), recurrent back pain (OR=1.7), duration of back pain <7 days (OR=4.2). A higher percentage of episodes of care in which patients with back pain directly accessed a physical therapist by mode of access because they were referred by their primary care provider in 59% of cases.

McSH Terms
- Adult
- Age
- Cross-Sectional Studies
- Episode of Care
- Female
- Health Services Accessibility/statistics & numerical data
- Humans
- Logistic Models
- Low Back Pain/epidemiology
- Low Back Pain/rehabilitation
- Male
- Middle Aged
- Netherlands/epidemiology
- Physical Therapy Modalities/utilization
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Click Full Text Article (if available) to proceed to full text.
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Logon with your Blazer ID and password.
Access complete articles if given a citation

For example:


The easiest way to look up full text if you have a citation:

**Step 1:** Search PubMed by article title

If no luck there, then…

**Step 2:** Search Google Scholar by article title (put in quotation marks).

( Make sure you’ve gone to Settings > Library Links and set Lister Hill links to show.)

If no luck there, then…

**Step 3:** Ask A Librarian (www.uab.edu/lister/ask) or request via interlibrary loan
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  - LHL Request Form: free; usually 24-72 hours
  - Get it Now ($8, delivered quickly day or night)

- Non-UAB Users:
  - LHL Request Form: price varies

Option 3: Check holdings, then order via ILLiad:

- LHL Catalog: by ISSN or by Journal Title
- Sterne Catalog: by Journal Title

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HOW TO GET HELP

See “postcard” with my contact information

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