# Search fields with examples

**Always refer to the database help text for detailed search guidance for each database**

| Interface (and database name) | Search fields for:Title,Abstract,Author assigned keywords | Subject headings available (Y/N) | Search example1. Subject heading
2. Title, Abstract, Author assigned keywords
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| OvidSP (Medline and Embase) | tiabkw | Y | 1. *Subject heading*/
2. *Search term*.ti,ab,kw
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| EBSCOhost (CINAHL) | TIAB | Y | 1. MH (“*Subject heading”)*
2. TI *search term* OR AB *search term*
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| EBSCOhost (APA PsycINFO) | TIABKW | Y | 1. DE *“Subject heading”*
2. TI *search term* OR AB *search term* OR KW *search term*
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| Web of Science (Core Collection) | TIABAK | N | 1. TI=(*search term*) OR AB=(*search term*) OR AK=(*search term*)
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| Web of Science (BIOSIS Previews) | TIAB | Y (although this is a Taxonomic Data field, not subject headings per se) | 1. TA=(*Taxonomic data*)
2. TI=(*search term*) OR AB=(*search term*)
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| Web of Science (Zoological Record) | TIAB | Y (although this is Subject Descriptors, which searches the fields: Broad Terms, Descriptors Data, Systematics (including Super Taxa), Taxa Notes | 1. SD=(*Subject Descriptors*)
2. TI=(*search term*) OR AB=(*search term*)
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| Web of Science (Global Health and CAB Abstracts) | TIAB | Y (CABICODES) | 1. CCO=(CABICODE)
2. TI=(*search term*) OR AB=(*search term*)
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| Cochrane Library (all databases) | TIABKW | Y | 1. MeSH descriptor: [*Subject heading*]
2. *search term*:ti,ab,kw
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| ProQuest (ASSIA) | TIABIF (not author assigned keywords, but additional “Identifier” indexed on a record) | Y | 1. MAINSUBJECT.EXACT(“*Subject heading*”)
2. TITLE(*search term*) OR ABSTRACT(*search term*) OR IF(*search term*)
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| PubMed | TIABOT(searching the [Title/Abstract field](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/help/#tiab) also includes author keywords) | Y (Use:* [mh] to explode a subject heading
* [mh:noexp] for that exact subject heading
* “*subject heading*” in double quotes to turn off mapping

See [MeSH Terms guidance](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/help/#mh). | 1. “*Subject heading*”[mh]
2. *search term*[Title/Abstract]
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| Scopus | TITLEABSKEY(AUTHKEY is the author assigned keywords. However, the KEY field also searches AUTHKEY, INDEXTERMS, TRADENAME, and CHEMNAME, which can be useful in a systematic or scoping review search) | Y (although only on Medline and Embase indexed records) | TITLE-ABS-KEY(*search term*) |