Searching the Dietetics Literature Workshop

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1. HSL website: go to www.jgh.ca/hsl

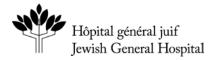
Includes links to:

- JGH print and online journal collection
- Request a journal article (ILL)- for articles we do not have full text access to
- Nutrition and dietetics page (see below)
- Patient education resources
- Online Resources- guick access from home page
- Quick search bar- coming soon...
- 2. A Dietetics Guide has been created on the HSL website.

Go to: www.jgh.ca/en/hsldietetics

Includes links to:

- Databases
- Top Ten Nutrition and Dietetics Journals
- Statistics
- Guidelines and Evidence-Based Resources
- Food Guides
- Healthy Eating for Patients and Families
- Patient Education
- Associations and Societies
- Government Resources
- Books in the HSL collection





2. Accessing journals online:

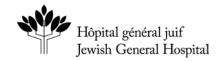
4 ways to access online journals by title:

- 1. To access top ten Dietetics journals online go to Nutrition & Dietetics page: www.jqh.ca/en/hsldietetics
- 2. To access JGH print journals and their online versions go to: www.igh.ca/hsl > from the left hand menu select Collections > JGH Print and Online Journal Collection
- 3. To access all McGill biomedical journals go to: www.jgh.ca/hsl > Online Resources: Find an e-journal.
- **4.** To access JGH print journals and their online version **or** all McGill biomedical journals: type journal title or keywords in the Quick search bar (coming soon...)

3. Accessing specific research articles:

4 ways to access specific research articles on a particular subject:

- 1. From Google Scholar: Go to: http://scholar.google.ca (or Google it). Type exact title into the search bar "in quotes". Press Search.
 - **NB** Without quotes you will still find the article but it may not be at the top of the list.
- **2. From Cinahl:** Select TI Title from drop down list. Type **exact** title (no spelling mistakes) into the search bar. Press Search.
- **3. From Medline:** Switch to **Title** tab. Type **exact** title (no spelling mistakes) into the search bar. Press **Search**.
- **4. From Pubmed:** Go to http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed. Select Pubmed Tools: Single citation matcher. Fill in citation info. Press Go.



4. Searching the relevant dietetics databases:

1. Search tips

<u>Identify key concepts and their synonyms in your question</u> (write it down!)

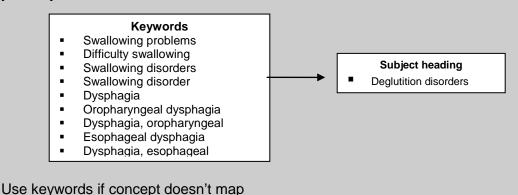
What is the best way to improve the nutritional intake of dysphagia patients?

Concepts:

Nutritional intake or nutritional management Dysphagia or swallowing problems

Use Subject Headings as well as keywords:

 Subject headings are a controlled vocabulary used to index contents in different databases. Medline (MeSH) and Cinahl will map to (suggest) the best heading for your keyword.

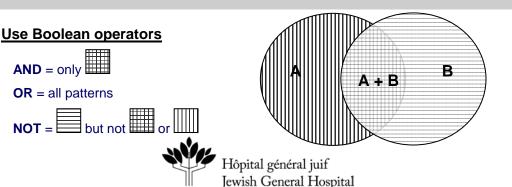


Start broad and then narrow search by:

- Adding concepts i.e. enteral nutrition, inpatients,
- Using Limits i.e. adults, English, RCTs, 2000-2010
- Using Subheadings i.e. deglutition: physiology

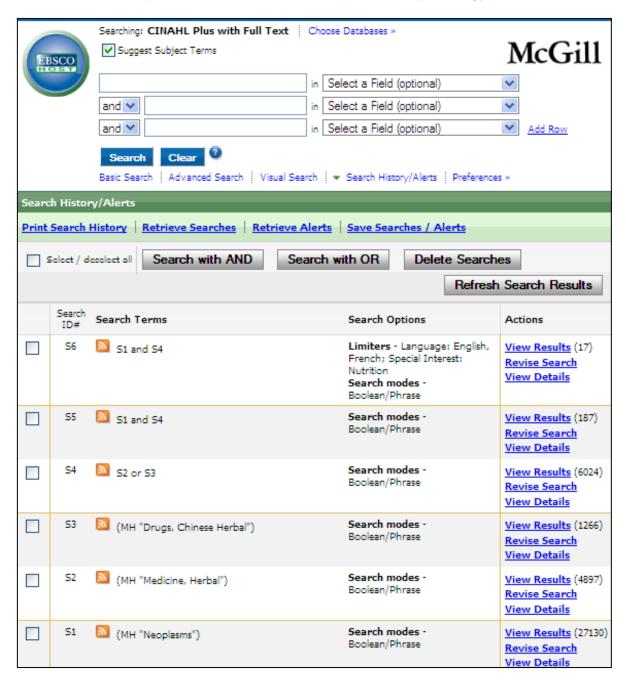
Find one good article and use it to find more

- "Cited by" or "More like this" or "Related articles"
- Look at the article's references

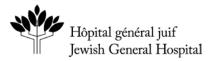


2. Sample searches

Cinahl example search: "use of herbal supplements by oncology patients"

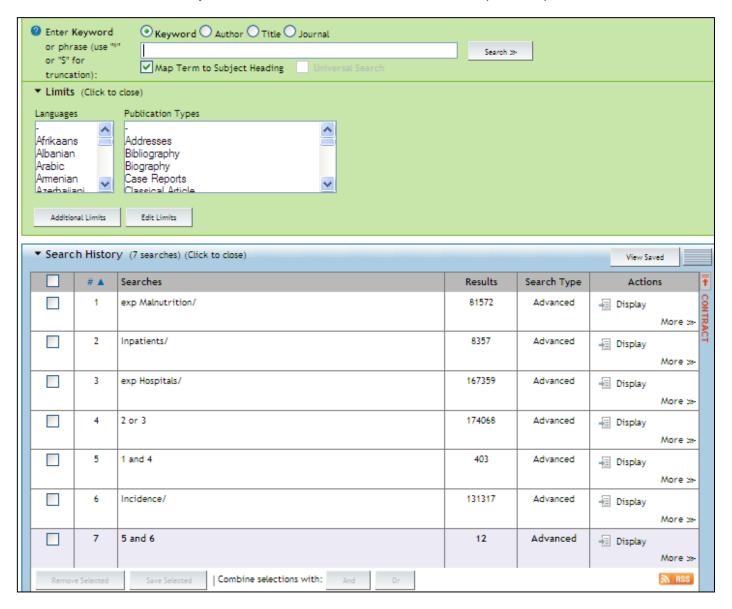


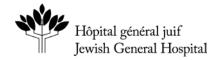
 Also see: American Cancer Society's Herb's, Vitamins & Minerals http://www.cancer.org/docroot/ETO/ETO 5 2 5.asp?sitearea=ETO



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Medline example search: "incidence of malnutrition in hospitalized patients"





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Pubmed clinical queries example search: "effective screening tools for identifying patients at risk for malnutrition"

