Trip

Top tips to make your search of Trip more efficient.

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1 How to access the database

The best way to access all databases is to go via the Medical Library website: https://library.medschl.cam.ac.uk/research-support/databases/ and then select the database you want to search.

2 Searching Trip

Type your keywords into the search box. Your terms can be combined using AND, OR and NOT.

!(patient information) AND diabetes

(The advanced search function is only available to Pro users)

3 Filters – how to narrow down your search

Too many search results? Use the filters on the right side of the results page to narrow your search.

4 Accessing full text

Click on the title to see the full text where available.

5 Creating search alerts

Alerts can be created by clicking on above the search results. You will see the last search that was carried out in Trip in the ‘Automated Search’ box. New items of interest will be
sent once a month based on terms entered in the ‘Automated Search’ box. If you haven’t already registered you can do this by selecting the ‘Sign up’ option on the login page.

6 Saving your search results

Selected results can be exported to reference managers by using the Export option above the results. Results can be exported as .csv file for spreadsheets or .ris for reference managers. Selected results can also be emailed.

7 Extra features

Results can be sorted by quality, date, relevance or popularity. Each item record shows what evidence type the record is and where that evidence type is on the hierarchy of evidence e.g.

8 More help and support

There are tutorial videos available on the TRIP website.

Trip's database blog may also be helpful.

Or contact the Medical Library training team.

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