Ovid Term Finder is currently available for the Ovid MEDLINE® and APA PsycInfo database. You can use Ovid Term Finder in the Advanced Search mode. Click on “Term Finder” to open the Term Finder dialog.

The Term Finder dialog box is available in all 9 supported languages.

With the Term Finder dialog open, enter your term or concept into the space provided. Term Finder automatically offers different mapping and thesauri options to your term to the appropriate subject heading(s), based on the database in used, e.g.: Ovid MEDLINE® or APA PsycInfo.

In Ovid MEDLINE®, each mapped term comes with its MeSH Tree; Used For Terms; Scope Note and Subheadings display. For each term searched Ovid Term Finder also provides a Medical Definition from Stedman’s Dictionary.
In APA PsycINFO, each mapped term comes with its APA Thesaurus mapped results APA Tree and Scope Note. For each term searched Ovid Term Finder also provides a Medical Definition from Stedman's Dictionary.
Adding your search terms

To add terms to your Advanced Search, first select the subject heading(s). This automatically activates the button “Add to Search Options”. You now have the option to select from advanced features including Explode, Focus and Add as keyword (.mp)

Ovid MEDLINE®:

APA PsycInfo:
Select “Add to Search” to add the selected options directly into the Advanced Search box.

Gathering additional search terms

In Ovid MEDLINE®, you may select “Used for Terms” to add related terms (the synonyms) for a more comprehensive search strategy.

In APA PsycINFO select “APA Tree” to add more terms for a more comprehensive search strategy.
Select “OR with Search” to combine the selected synonyms with the search terms already available in the Advanced Search box.

If required, select “Copy to Clipboard” to paste searches into your preferred document for editing (text file, Word document, Excel etc). Alternatively, edit search terms directly in the Advanced Search box.

**Additional keywords**

*Ovid MEDLINE®, the MeSH Permutted Index and UMLS Related Terms* can provide additional keyword terms for your Advanced Search. Use the check boxes to select, and the Boolean operators to add the selected terms.

In *APA PsycINFO*, the *UMLS Related Terms* can provide additional keyword terms for your Advanced Search. Use the check boxes to select, and the Boolean operators to add the selected terms.

When you have gathered all the terms, click “Search” to add the strategy to the *Search History* box.
Continue the same process for the next term in your search query.

Once completed, click “Save All” to Save the Search History and to create an email AutoAlert.
Select “Email All Search History” to share your database search strategy with other Ovid users with the same Ovid database(s).

**Multiple databases**

Term Finder works seamlessly with Ovid MEDLINE® and APA PsycInfo. To launch your Term Finder’s strategy in multiple Ovid databases, select “Change”, choose from your subscribed Ovid databases, then select “Run Search”.

The Search History box shows the results for each database with Deduplicate also available.
Term Finder Guide

The online help guide provides additional information, click here to access it.

Term Finder Video

For a more detailed overview, click here to watch the Term Finder training video.

Ovid Support

Contact Ovid Support with your search questions: support@ovid.com