**SciFinder** Find references using search terms

The Scifinder interface is continuously developed. In order to find the latest information on how to conduct a search: log in to Scifinder, go to your profile and choose Help.

*Examples on how to write your search terms in the search box are written in bold letters. The search query is from February 2020.*

**biosensors antibiotics milk** (272,430 results)

To write all search terms in a row often results in a large number of results. Only one of the search terms are present in some of the results.

The results are ranked according to relevance, so the best results should be on the first pages. You can also sort the result list by times cited.

You can filter and limit your results by document type, language, publication year, concept etc.

Ways to improve your search strategy

If you want all search terms to be present in the results write “and” between the words:

**biosensors AND antibiotics AND milk** (202 results)

Search for synonyms and related terms by using OR. Use parentheses to group terms together:

**biosensors AND antibiotics AND (milk OR dairy)** (213 results)

You can use several parentheses in the same search string:

**(biosensors OR biosensing OR immunosensors) AND (antibiotics OR “antibacterial agents”) AND (milk OR dairy)** (310 results)

To get fewer results use quotation marks for phrases.

"**anti-bacterial agents**" (1,432 results )

**anti-bacterial agents** (2,097,993 results)