

Description

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Date Coverage

1983–present
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The following date range is also available separately:
1964–1982

Geographic Coverage

International

Subject Coverage

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- The preparation and testing of potential drugs
- Analysis, pharmaceuticals, pharmacology
- Therapy
- Adverse effects and toxicology
- Pharmacokinetics
- Isolation from natural sources
- Biochemistry
- Immunology

Update Frequency

Weekly

Document Types

Journal Articles

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Abstract present	ABANY	abany(yes)	No	Yes	No	Yes	Add ABANY(YES) to a query to limit retrieval to records with abstracts.
Accession number	AN	an(200618176)	No	No	No	Yes	A unique document identification number assigned by the information provider.
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All fields	--	diabetes and treatment*	Yes	No	No	Yes	Same as ALL field code. Searches all fields in bibliographic files.
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							department, organization, address, city, state, country, author email, etc.
Conference information	CF	cf(transplant*)	No	No	No	Yes	CF searches title location, date, etc.
CAS® Registry Number	RN	rn(22204-53-1)	Yes	No	No	Yes	
Classification	CC	cc(t) cc(therapeutics) cc(drug metabolism)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Section Heading and Thematic Group codes and names.
CODEN	CODEN	coden(nejmag)	No	No	No	Yes	
Date created	DCRE	dcre(20110323) dcre(2011-03-23) dcre(2011/03/23)	No	No	No	Yes	Date the record was created by the database producer.
Document title	TI	ti(nitr* near/1 oxide)	Yes	No	No	Yes	
Document type	RTYPE	rtype(article)	No	No	No	Yes	
From database	FDB	fdb(derwentdrugfile) fdb(10000133)	No	No	No	--	Useful in multi-file searches to isolate records from a single file.*
ISSN	ISSN	issn(0140-6736) issn(01406736)	No	No	No	Yes	Not available in older records.
Language	LA	la(german)	No	No	No	Yes	Language of original publication.
Location of work	LOW	low("new york") low(univ*)	Yes	No	No	No	
Last update date	LUPD	lupd(2011) lupd(201103)	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Publication date	PD	pd(20100101) pd(201001) pd(>201109) pd(201109:201110)	No	Yes	No	Yes	Date range searching is supported.
Publication title	PUB	pub(neurology) pub(brit med j) pub(new eng*)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Many names are abbreviated.
Publication type	PSTYPE	pstype(conference) pstype(journal)	No	No	No	Yes	The only values in this field are Journal and Conference.
Publication year	YR	yr(2010)	No	No	No	Yes	
Subject	SU	su(adverse reactions)	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	

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Abstract included

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