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| <a href="#">ACP Journal Club</a><br>American College of Physicians - American Society of Internal Medicine (ACP-ASIM) | Value-added abstracts and commentary on pre-selected original studies and reviews. Focus is internal medicine<br><br>Filtering of 170+ top journals for clinically relevant, methodologically sound studies. Expert commentaries on clinical usefulness supplement enhanced abstracts   | Use ACP Journal Club to locate high-quality studies when practice guidelines, systematic reviews or expert summaries are not available     | Restricted; print and online. Also available in the OVID EBMR collection                            |
| <a href="#">Bandolier</a><br>National Health Service (U.K.)   | Offers a “clinical bottom line” on selected questions plus concise summaries of evidence<br><br>Uses “evidence-based medicine techniques to provide advice about particular treatments or diseases for healthcare professionals and consumers”  | Use Bandolier when searching for distilled information and guidance  | Freely available online or by subscription in print   |
| <a href="#">Clinical Evidence</a><br>BMJ Publishing Group   | Referenced summaries of preventative and therapeutic interventions covering common, primary or important clinical conditions<br><br>Unique approach – content based on pre-selected clinical questions. Results of thorough literature searches about state of the art evidence are summarized into concise answers. Rigorous peer-review is used | Use Clinical Evidence for in-depth summaries of common issues in primary care  | Restricted; print, online and PDA   |
| <a href="#">Cochrane Library</a><br>Cochrane Collaboration  | Regularly updated collection of EBM databases (three are listed below)<br><br>The Cochrane Library aims to “prepare, maintain & promote the accessibility of systematic reviews of the effects of health care interventions”  | “The best source for the highest quality evidence.”  | Restricted; online and CD ROM (abstracts of reviews freely available). Some files also in OVID EBMR |
| <a href="#">Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials</a><br>Cochrane Collaboration                              | International collection of controlled trials from a variety of sources<br><br>Includes reports published in conference proceedings and other sources not currently listed in   | Use the Cochrane Trials register when preparing a new systematic review or searching for clinical trials from the international literature | Same as Cochrane Library  |

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|   | MEDLINE or related databases. Data source for systematic reviews  |  |                                     |
| <a href="#">Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews</a><br>Cochrane Collaboration   | Systematic reviews, most using meta-analysis, from the 50 Collaborative Review Groups. Focused topic summaries with clearly-defined methodologies<br><br>Gold standard for systematic reviews   | Use the CDSR to locate high quality, well-documented systematic reviews  | Same as Cochrane Library            |
| <a href="#">Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effectiveness (DARE)</a><br>NHS Centre for Reviews and Dissemination at the University of York, England | Structured abstracts of critically appraised systematic reviews<br><br>Evaluations of non-Cochrane systematic reviews from a variety of sources   | Use DARE when searching for additional sources of systematic reviews   | Same as Cochrane Library            |
| <a href="#">E-Medicine</a><br>EMedicine, Inc.   | "Clinical Knowledge Base" in 63 specialty areas covering 7,000 diseases and disorders<br><br>Peer-reviewed disease summaries; multimedia files, clinical tools and differential diagnosis information   | Use eMedicine for textbook style information relevant to multiple specialties  | Restricted; online and PDA          |
| <a href="#">InfoPoems/InfoRetriever</a><br>Family Practice MDs Mark Ebell, David Slawson, Henry Barry and Allen Shaughnessy, PharmD                     | Searchable database with InfoPOEMS, clinical rules and calculators, diagnostic test calculator, Cochrane abstracts, FPIN questions and answers, practice guidelines, <i>Five-Minute Clinical Consult</i> . Also: basic drug information and ICD-9 look-up<br><br>Integrated system for quick searching of key resources; primarily of interest to family medicine practitioners | Use InfoRetriever for "just-in-time" evidence-based answers to primary care clinical questions; emphasis is on PDA use | Restricted; online, desktop and PDA |
| <a href="#">MDConsult's PDxMD</a><br>MDConsult, a division of Elsevier  | Summaries of key points on 450+ common conditions plus differential diagnosis and patient information<br><br>Structured templates for each entry offering concise recommendations based on current evidence   | Use PDxMD for peer-reviewed summaries of clinical conditions and keys to differential diagnosis                        | Restricted; online and PDA          |

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| <p><a href="#">National Guidelines Clearinghouse</a></p> <p>Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR), with the American Medical Association and the American Association of Health Plans</p> | <p>Comprehensive database of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines and related documents</p> <p>Single portal for practice guidelines issued within the past 5 years. Guidelines are from various public and private organizations, including government agencies, specialty associations and professional societies</p> | <p>Use NGC when looking for “systematically developed statements that include recommendations, strategies, or information ... about appropriate health care for specific clinical circumstances”</p> | <p>Freely available online</p>  |
| <p><a href="#">OVID Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews (EBMR)</a></p> <p>OVID Technologies</p>  | <p>Single search engine for three Cochrane Library files plus the ACP Journal Club</p> <p>Integrated searching of core EBM databases using the OVID interface</p>  | <p>Use OVID EBMR for a single portal to the main Cochrane Library files and ACP Journal Club</p>   | <p>Restricted; online and CD-ROM</p>  |
| <p><a href="#">PubMed Clinical Queries</a></p> <p>National Library of Medicine</p>   | <p>Filters for retrieving methodologically sound studies in four categories (therapy, diagnosis, etiology, and prognosis) plus systematic reviews</p> <p>Quick access for retrieving evidence-based original studies and systematic reviews from MEDLINE (based on the work of RB Haynes from McMaster)</p>                    | <p>Use PubMed’s clinical queries to select evidence-based studies from the MEDLINE database</p>  | <p>Freely available online</p>  |
| <p><a href="#">SUMSearch</a></p> <p>University of Texas Health Science Center</p>  | <p>Meta-search engine for selected EBM resources on the Internet</p> <p>Single gateway for MEDLINE, DARE, eMedicine and practice guidelines; uses “contingency searching” to focus results</p>   | <p>Use SUMSearch as a free portal to help answer clinical questions involving diagnosis, etiology, prognosis and therapy</p>   | <p>Freely available online</p>  |
| <p><a href="#">TRIP+ Database</a></p> <p>Centre for Research Support (Wales)</p>   | <p>Meta-search engine for 70 sources of “high quality” Internet information, including e-journals and e-textbooks</p> <p>TRIP is compiled by hand and is aimed at primary health care workers interested in “turning research into practice”</p>   | <p>Use TRIP when “seeking pre-appraised evidence, reviews, and guidelines”</p>   | <p>Restricted as of 7/03; online only; original TRIP site is freely available</p> |

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| <p><a href="#">UpToDate</a></p> <p>UpToDate (Wellesley, MA) in cooperation with major medical societies and over 3,000 physician authors</p> | <p>Concise, peer-reviewed topical summaries, chiefly in internal medicine and its subspecialties, focusing on diagnosis and treatment</p> <p>An easy-to-use database that provides quick answers to clinical questions. Summaries are a combination of synthesized literature reviews and expert knowledge</p> | <p>Use UpToDate for highly-regarded, peer-reviewed answers to specific clinical questions</p> | <p>Restricted; online, CD-ROM and PDA</p> |
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