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VetMed Resource is the information source every practice needs to ensure it has current evidence informing its methodologies and supporting its staff's Continuing Education (or Continuing Professional Development). CABI have taken the vast amount of information on all aspects of veterinary medicine it has collated from around the world since 1972, and made it available to today's veterinary practitioner in VetMed Resource. For a full list of subject coverage please visit the [VetMed Resource information page](#).

VetMed Resource includes the following information materials covering all aspects of veterinary medicine and animal health.

Abstracts records: Indexed records from the CAB Direct database relating to the subject of veterinary medicine and animal science

Full text articles: Links to the complete scientific record for scholarly articles hosted on the CAB Abstracts database. For organizations where a link resolver is connected with their library collection users will to more full text content

CAB Reviews: Comprehensive overviews and detailed reviews of the latest research on an area of scientific study

News Articles: The latest news on the current developments in Veterinary medicine written by subject experts

Events: A calendar of relevant international conferences, congresses, annual meetings and more for scientific communities and practitioners of veterinary medicine.

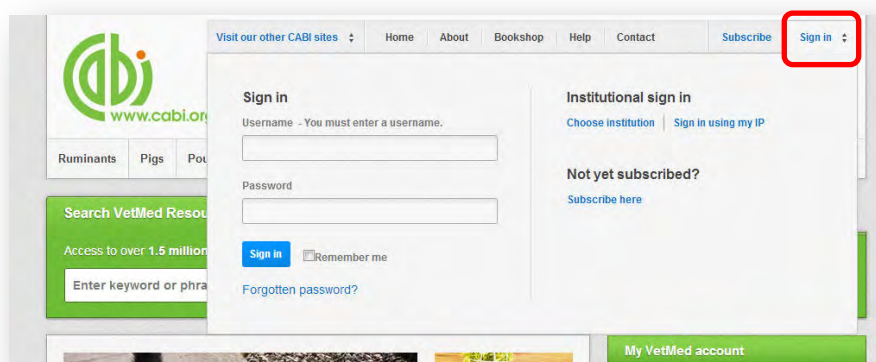
Datasheets: Compiled by experts and extracted from CABI's Animal Health and Production Compendium (AHPC), datasheets provide encyclopaedic reference material for specific subject topics relating to health and production of the food animals (pigs, poultry and ruminants)

The following guide has been designed for all users of VetMed Resource to highlight various features available and enable our customers to easily navigate the interface. It will also introduce various search techniques for new users of online databases and explain various strategies that can be used when searching to return the most relevant results.

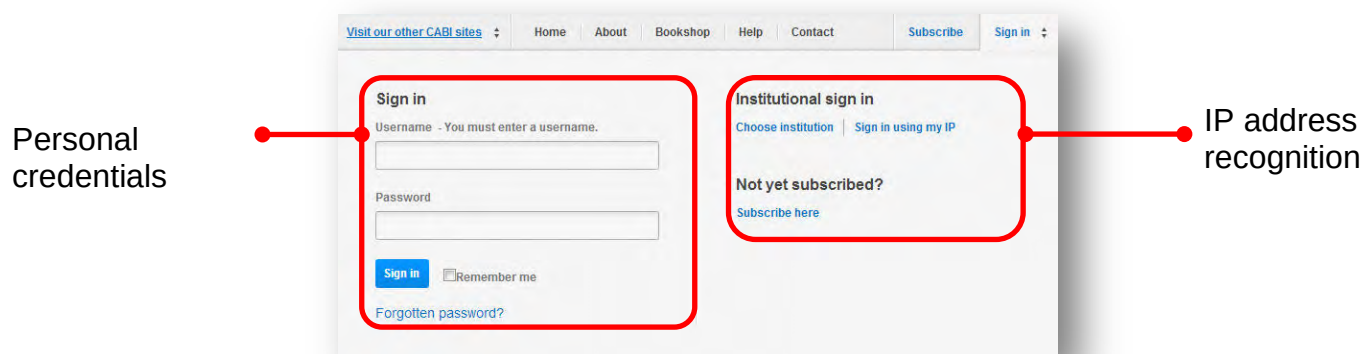
Accessing VetMed Resource

VetMed Resource is a web-based interface. To access the site visit www.vetmedresource.org

To sign in to the VetMed Resource click on the  button situated in the site menu as shown below:



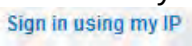
There are 3 ways to login to the database depending on the access options your account has:



By Personal credentials:

If you requested access to the site by a username and password please enter this in to the login box situated in the top left hand corner of the webpage.

By IP Address:

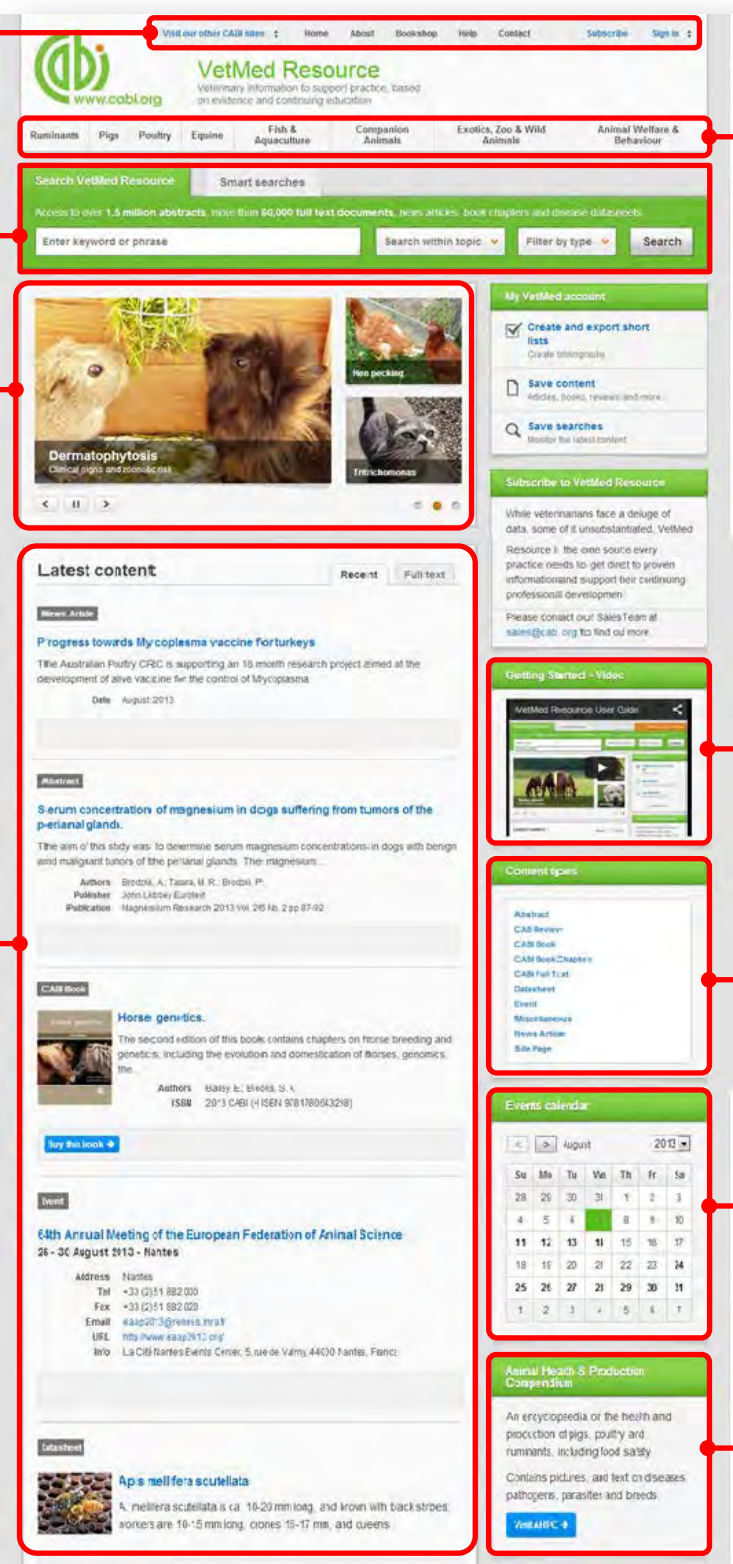
If your institution has a subscription to VetMed Resource and you are accessing through your institutions network, the VMR platform will recognise your IP address as a registered user and automatically log you on to the site. If you aren't automatically recognised click the  button.

By Referral URL

If you have access to VetMed Resource as a benefit of membership through an organization such as BSAVA, users can connect through the organizations online portal by referral URL. Simply click on the web-link in your organizations online portal.

Navigating the interface

The VetMed Resource interface has been designed to enable quick and comprehensive content searches. Below shows an image of the VetMed Resource homepage and the various features displayed.



The screenshot shows the VetMed Resource homepage with the following features highlighted by red boxes and labels:

- Site menu:** Located at the top left, it includes links for Home, About, Bookshop, Help, Contact, Subscribe, and Sign in.
- Topic pages:** A horizontal navigation bar at the top right listing various animal categories: Ruminants, Pigs, Poultry, Equine, Fish & Aquaculture, Companion Animals, Exotics, Zoo & Wild Animals, and Animal Welfare & Behaviour.
- Search bar:** A central search area with a text input field labeled "Enter keyword or phrase", a "Search within topic" dropdown, a "Filter by type" dropdown, and a "Search" button. Above the input field, it states "Access to over 1.5 million abstracts, more than 40,000 full text documents, news articles, book chapters and disease outbreaks."
- Latest News:** A section on the left featuring a large image of a sheep and a dog, with headlines like "Dermatophytosis: Clinical signs and economic risk" and "Hen pecking".
- Latest indexed articles:** A section on the left displaying a list of recent articles, including "Progress towards Mycoplasma vaccine for turkeys" and "Serum concentrations of magnesium in dogs suffering from tumors of the perianal glands".
- Introductory video:** A section on the right titled "Getting Started - Video" featuring a video player for the "VetMed Resource User Guide".
- Type of content materials:** A section on the right titled "Content types" listing various material types: Abstract, CAB Review, CAB Book, CAB Book Chapter, CAB Full Text, Datasheet, Event, Miscellaneous, News Article, and Site Page.
- Events calendar:** A section on the right titled "Events calendar" showing a monthly calendar for August 2013, with dates 1 through 31.
- Link to AHPC:** A section on the right titled "Animal Health & Production Compendium" with a link to "View AHPC".

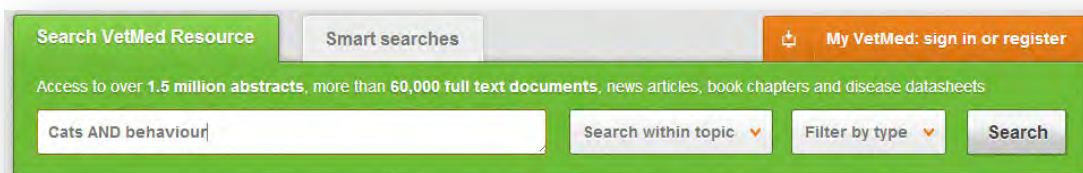
Simple site searches

VetMed Resource offers a simple site search using a variety of basic search techniques to search content across the whole of the site such as Boolean operators and Phrase searching. These search techniques can be found in the [search techniques reference table](#).

Conducting general site searches

A general site search conducts a search across all the various types of content and topics available in VetMed Resource. It will return a broad range of search results that will include all material types from all subject areas. It can be a useful place to begin a search.

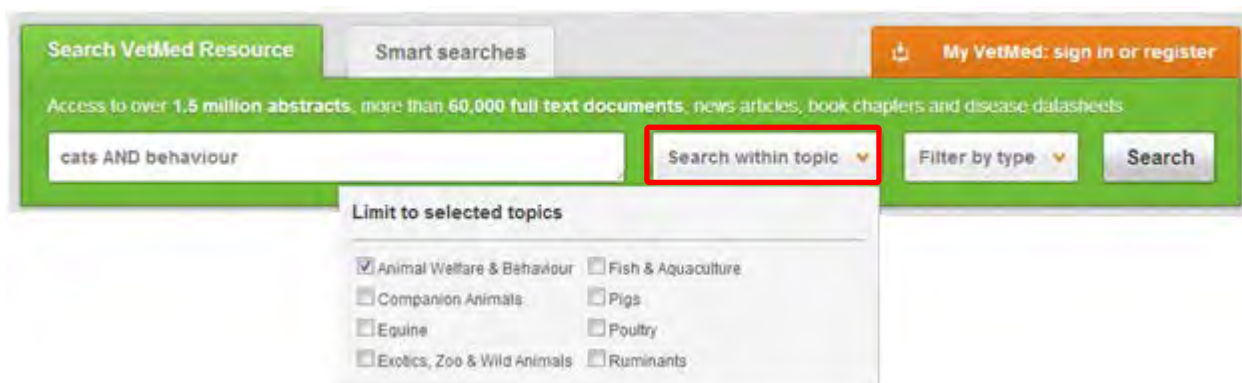
To conduct a general site search enter your search terms in to the search box located in the search bar of the home page and click the  button as shown below:

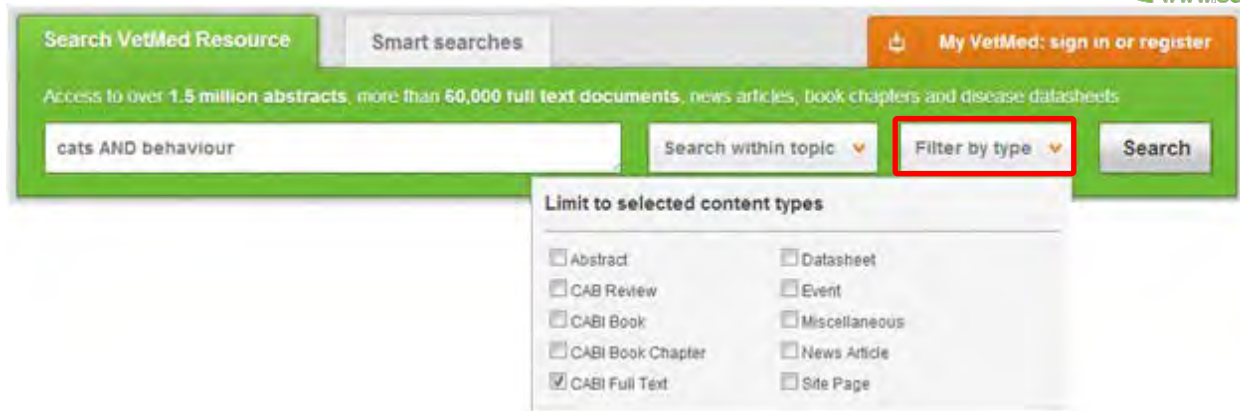


Conducting filtered site searches

A filtered site search can be used to limit a search to specific subjects or types of content in VetMed Resource. This will return a narrower range of search results and is particularly useful if you are trying to limit searches to particular areas or material types. You can limit the searches using a single filter or both simultaneously.

To conduct a filtered site search enter your search terms in to the search box located in the search bar of the home page. Click on the filter options to the right of the search box and select the categories you would like to limit the search to. The  indicates which categories have been selected. Below shows the examples for both the subject and content filters:





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cats AND behaviour Search within topic Filter by type Search

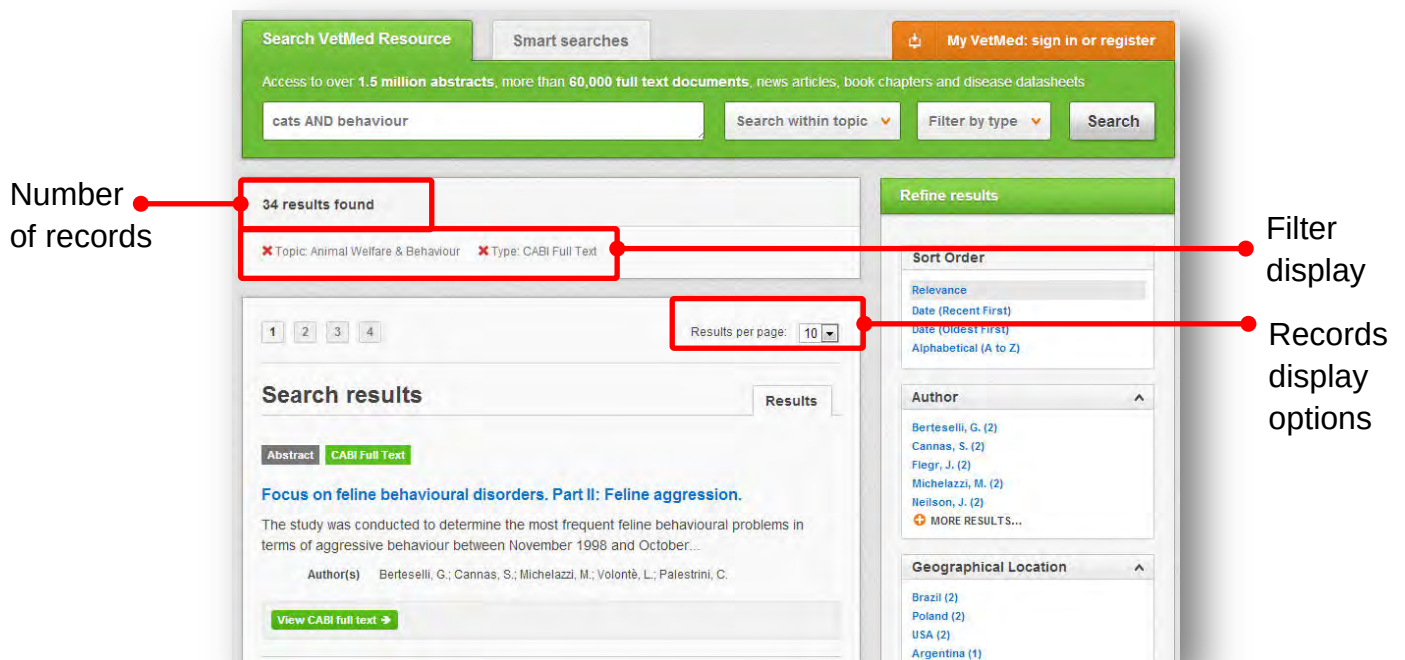
Limit to selected content types

- ☐ Abstract
- ☐ CAB Review
- ☐ CABI Book
- ☐ CABI Book Chapter
- ☒ CABI Full Text
- ☐ Datasheet
- ☐ Event
- ☐ Miscellaneous
- ☐ News Article
- ☐ Site Page

Once selected click the [Search](#) button.

Viewing search results

The returned results will be displayed on the search results page as shown below. The figure below the search box indicates the number of returned results from your search string query. Below this will show any filtered categories that were selected for the search. To remove the filters simply click the **X** next to the filtered term. The search results are displayed in the box below and can be ordered by most recently indexed first or relevance. At the top and bottom of the search results screen there are also options to vary the number of records displayed on the current page.



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cats AND behaviour Search within topic Filter by type Search

34 results found

X Topic: Animal Welfare & Behaviour X Type: CABI Full Text

Results per page: 10

Search results Results

Abstract CABI Full Text

Focus on feline behavioural disorders. Part II: Feline aggression.

The study was conducted to determine the most frequent feline behavioural problems in terms of aggressive behaviour between November 1998 and October...

Author(s) Berteselli, G.; Cannas, S.; Michelazzi, M.; Volontè, L.; Palestini, C.

[View CABI full text](#)

Refine results

Sort Order

- Relevance
- Date (Recent First)
- Date (Oldest First)
- Alphabetical (A to Z)

Author

- Berteselli, G. (2)
- Cannas, S. (2)
- Flegri, J. (2)
- Michelazzi, M. (2)
- Neilson, J. (2)
- [MORE RESULTS...](#)

Geographical Location

- Brazil (2)
- Poland (2)
- USA (2)
- Argentina (1)

Number of records

Filter display

Records display options

Below shows an example of an article header from the returned results. You can see the resource type, the article title, the leading sentence of the article abstract and further bibliographic information for the record. If the full text article is available the button is displayed which gives access to the full text article.



Resource type points to the 'Abstract' and 'CABI Full Text' tabs.

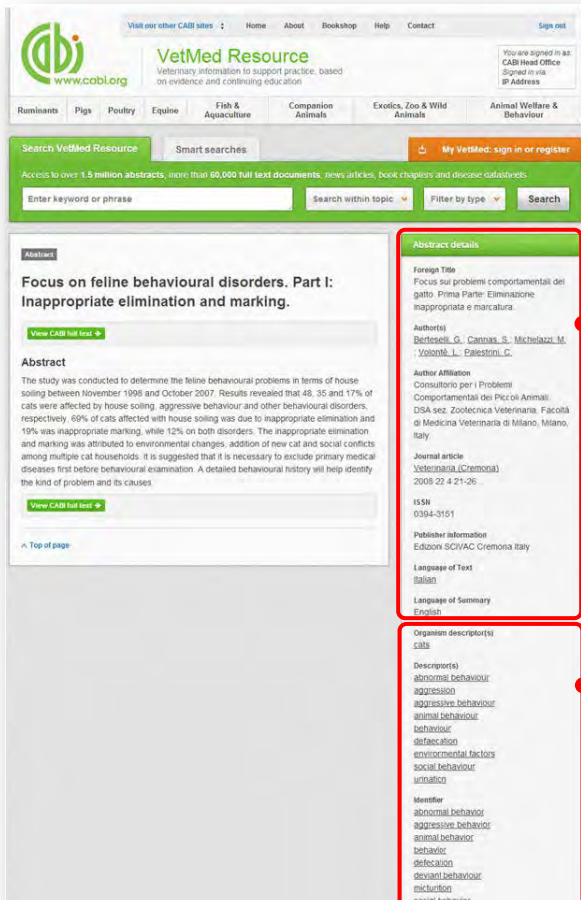
Record title points to the article title: 'Focus on feline behavioural disorders. Part I: Inappropriate elimination and marking.'

Abstract introduction points to the first sentence of the abstract: 'The study was conducted to determine the feline behavioural problems in terms of house soiling between November 1998 and October 2007. Results...'

Bibliographic information points to the author(s): 'Berteselli, G.; Cannas, S.; Michelazzi, M.; Volontè, L.; Palestini, C.'

Link to full text points to the 'View CABI full text' button.

When clicked, the article title will take you to the record page listing the full bibliographic details of the record as shown below.



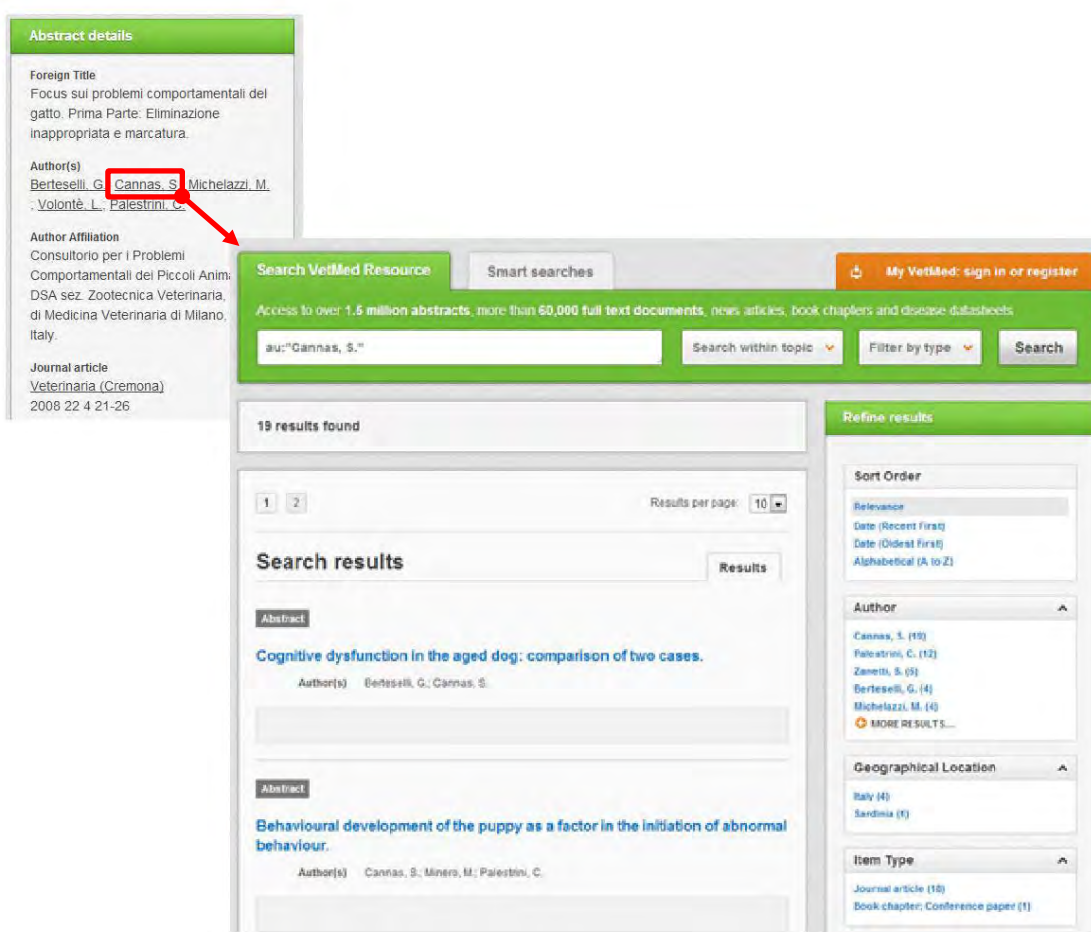
Bibliographic information points to the 'Abstract Details' section, which includes:

- Foreign Title: Focus sui problemi comportamentali del gatto. Prima Parte: Eliminazione inappropriata e marcatura.
- Author(s): Berteselli, G.; Cannas, S.; Michelazzi, M.; Volontè, L.; Palestini, C.
- Author Affiliation: Consultorio per i Problemi Comportamentali dei Piccoli Animali, DSA sez. Zoofisica Veterinaria, Facoltà di Medicina Veterinaria di Milano, Milano, Italy.
- Journal article: Veterinaria (Cremona), 2008/22 4 21-26.
- ISSN: 0394-3151
- Publisher information: Edizon SCIVAC Cremona Italy
- Language of Text: Italian
- Language of Summary: English

Metadata points to the 'Organism descriptor(s)' and 'Descriptor(s)' sections, which include terms like 'cats', 'abnormal behaviour', 'aggression', 'aggressive behaviour', 'animal behaviour', 'behaviour', 'defecation', 'environmental factors', 'social behaviour', 'urination', 'abnormal behavior', 'aggression behavior', 'animal behavior', 'behavior', 'defecation', 'descent behaviour', 'inclusion', and 'social behavior'.

As well as the full abstract the page will also include the full bibliographic information and indexing keywords that were assigned to the record during the indexing process. This can be found under the Abstract details pane on the right of the page.

All these terms are intuitive links which when clicked performs a search on that term. The example below shows a section of the Abstract details pane. In this example we have clicked on the author name [Cannas, S.](#). This has performed a site search using the search string `au:"Cannas, S."` which has returned all records this author has contributed to.



The screenshot displays the VetMed Resource search interface. On the left, the 'Abstract details' pane shows information for a specific record, with the author name 'Cannas, S.' highlighted and a red arrow pointing to the search results. The main search area shows the search string 'au:"Cannas, S."' and the results '19 results found'. The search results are displayed in a list format, with the first two results visible. The right sidebar contains filters for 'Sort Order', 'Author', 'Geographical Location', and 'Item Type'.

Abstract details

Foreign Title
Focus sui problemi comportamentali del gatto. Prima Parte: Eliminazione inappropriata e marcatura.

Author(s)
[Berteselli, G.](#) [Cannas, S.](#) [Michelazzi, M.](#)
[Volontè, L.](#) [Palestrini, C.](#)

Author Affiliation
Consultorio per i Problemi Comportamentali dei Piccoli Anim. DSA sez. Zootechnica Veterinaria, di Medicina Veterinaria di Milano, Italy.

Journal article
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au:"Cannas, S." Search within topic Filter by type Search

19 results found

Search results Results

Abstract
Cognitive dysfunction in the aged dog: comparison of two cases.
Author(s) Berteselli, G.; Cannas, S.

Abstract
Behavioural development of the puppy as a factor in the initiation of abnormal behaviour.
Author(s) Cannas, S.; Miners, M.; Palestini, C.

Refine results

Sort Order
Relevance
Date (Recent first)
Date (Oldest first)
Alphabetical (A to Z)

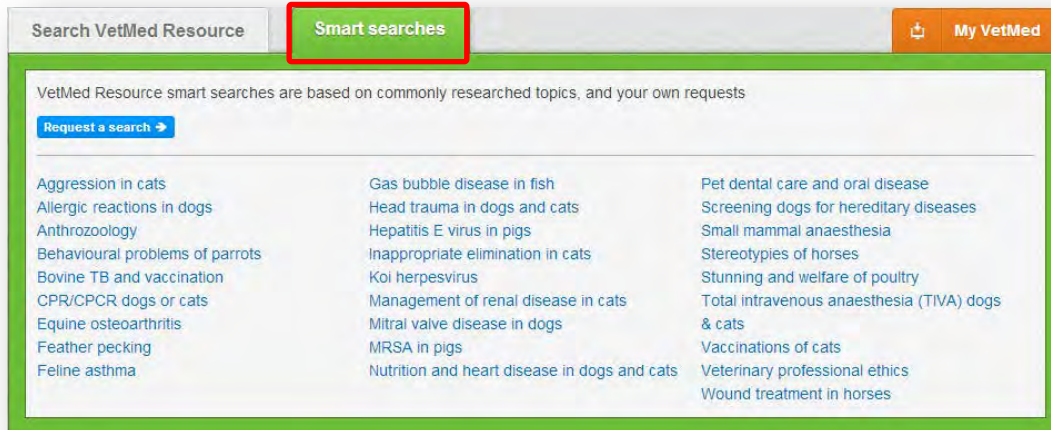
Author
Cannas, S. (19)
Palestrini, C. (12)
Zanetti, S. (5)
Berteselli, G. (4)
Michelazzi, M. (4)
MORE RESULTS...

Geographical Location
Italy (4)
Sardinia (1)

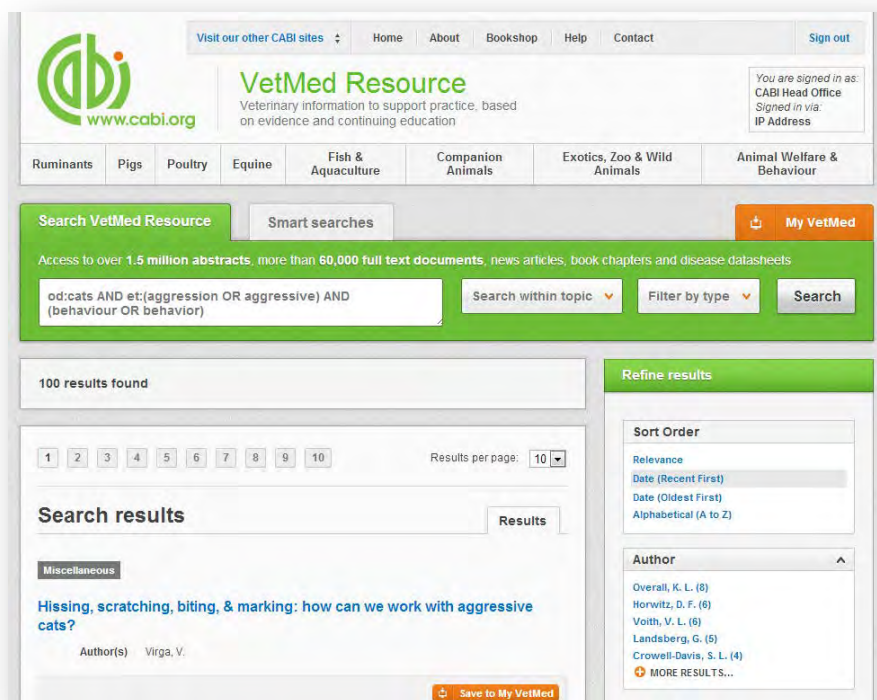
Item Type
Journal article (18)
Book chapter; Conference paper (1)

Smart Searches

To help you search for literature in common or key topics of interest our subject experts have created predefined search strings. These have been created using complex search techniques such as field tags and multiple Boolean operators to return the most relevant results. To access the Smart searches click on the **Smart searches** tab above the search box as shown below.



This will show you a list of smart searches and their associated topic that are available. To conduct the smart search click on the topic of your choice. The screenshot below shows you the results for the smart search “Aggression in Cats”



To narrow results further you can either use the refine panel to the right hand side of the page or add terms manually to the end of the predefined search string.

Advanced searching

Field searching

The search box for VetMed Resource also allows you to conduct advanced field searching using the index field tags.

Field searching is a technique by which users can search for keyword terms in specific indexing fields. These indexing fields are used when adding a bibliographic record to CAB Direct e.g. Abstract title, author. Each indexing field has an associated field tag which can be used in conjunction with search keywords to return a more precise set of results.

Below is a list of the indexing fields and their associated tag:

Common search fields

Description	Field Tag
Abstract	ab
Author affiliation	aa
Descriptor	de
Organism Descriptor	od
Geographic Locator	gl
Broad term	up
Identifier	id
Publication source	do
Publisher	publisher
CABICODE	cc
Conference	ct
Language	la
Publication type	it
Year	yr
Record number	pa
DOI	oi
ISSN	sn
ISBN	bn

Additional search fields

Description	Field Tag
Additional Authors	ad
Author Affiliation	aa
CAS Registry Numbers	ry
Conference Dates	cd
Conference Title	ct
Corporate Author	ca
Country of Publication	cp
Descriptors	de
Digital Object Identifier	oi
Document Editors	ed
Document Title	do
Email	em
English Item Title	et
Non English Item Title	ft
Geographic Location	gl
Identifiers	id
ISBN	bn
ISSN	sn
Item Type	it
Language(s) of Summary	ls
Language(s) of Text	la
Location of Publisher	lp
Main Abstract	ab
Organism Descriptors	od
Pan Number	pa
Personal Author	au
Personal Author Variants	av
Publisher	pb
CABI Product Code	sc
Up-posted Descriptors	up
Web URL	ur
Year of Publication	yr

To conduct a field search type the associated field tag (must be lowercase) into the search box followed by a colon. Next enter your search term/s. Field searching can also be conducted using the variety of simple search techniques outlined previously such as multiple word searches and Boolean operators. Below show some examples:

Single word search:

de:mastitis

Multiple word search:

de:mastitis AND gl:Europe

Searching with parentheses:

de:mastitis AND (gl:Europe NOT gl:France)

Index Terms or “Descriptors”

If you are looking only for important papers on a particular subject, where you want a high level of relevance, you should restrict your search to one or more of the CABI indexing or Descriptor fields. Every record on the database is indexed with terms that describe all the important concepts within a paper. The index terms may be added to one of 5 different indexing fields. The indexing fields that CABI uses are:

Fields	Tags	Description	Example
Organism Descriptor	od:	The Organism Descriptor field is used for animal and plant names	od: Felis catus
Geographic Location	gl:	Geographic Location field is used for country and other geographic names	gl: Germany
Descriptor	de:	The Descriptor field is used for all the “other” terms that are neither animal, plant nor geographic	de: feeding habits
Broad Term (Up-posted Term)	up:	The broad term is used to search for more general terms of a subject as defined in CAB Thesaurus	up: behaviour
Identifier	id:	This field is used for non-controlled index terms; terms that do not appear in the CAB Thesaurus such as new species or chemicals	id: cryptochrome

Please note: When searching the organism descriptor All animals, except for commonly managed livestock like Cattle, Sheep, Goats, etc., are indexed with their scientific names. However, plants are indexed with both their scientific and their common names

Super indexes

Super indexes allow users to search multiple indexes across related fields. They are useful tools for users if they are unsure which fields they need to specify when trying to conduct advanced field searching. They can be searched in the same way as other fields as the super indexes have their own field tag associated to them. VetMed Resource also has three super indexes.

The first two super indexes shown in the table below are used when searching bibliographic information relating to either the article title or the article authors. The table below shows the field tag, field indexes that are searched and an example of a search.

Super index name	Super index field tag	Fields searched	Example
Title	title:	English title Foreign title	title: mastitis
Author	author:	Personal author Author variant Additional author Document editor Corporate author	author: Lanyon

The third super index called the subject index is used when searching for the indexing terms or metadata that is recorded or assigned to each resource record. The table below shows the field tag, field indexes that are searched and an example of a search.

Super index name	Super index field tag	Fields searched	Example
Subject	subject:	Descriptor Geographic location Organism descriptor Identifier	subject: mastitis

CABICODES

In addition to adding index terms to a record, broad concepts are also “indexed” with a classification system known as CABICODES. The CABICODES are a hierarchical list of classification codes that divide the subject coverage of the CAB ABSTRACTS database into 23 major sections. Each section then includes a series of codes that divides that subject into more specific subjects. The codes themselves are typically used to code for subjects that would be difficult to describe with keywords alone. These CABICODES shown below display a selection of the CABICODES for Animal Science and their associated topic area. For a full list of CABICODES and their topic areas visit the [CABICODE list](#).

LL800 Animal Health and Hygiene (General)

LL810 Animal Welfare

LL820 Parasites, Vectors, Pathogens and Biogenic Diseases of Animals (Discontinued March 2000)

LL821 Prion, Viral, Bacterial and Fungal Pathogens of Animals (New March 2000)

LL822 Protozoan, Helminth, Mollusc and Arthropod Parasites of Animals (New March 2000)

LL823 Veterinary Pests, Vectors and Intermediate Hosts (New March 2000)

LL860 Non-Communicable Diseases and Injuries of Animals

LL870 Animal Injuries (Discontinued March 2000)

LL880 Animal Treatment and Diagnosis (Non Drug) (Discontinued March 2000)

LL882 Veterinary Pharmacology and Anaesthesiology (New March 2000)

LL884 Animal Surgery and Non-drug Therapy (New March 2000)

LL886 Diagnosis of Animal Diseases (New March 2000)

LL900 Animal Toxicology, Poisoning and Pharmacology (Discontinued March 2000)

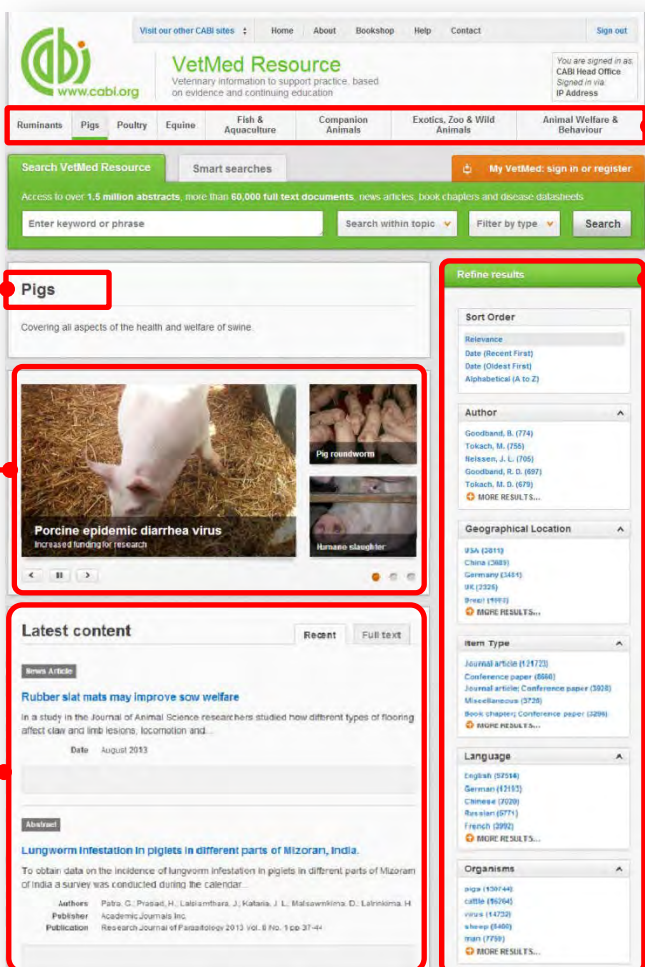
LL950 Toxicology and Poisoning of Animals (New March 2000)

The CABICODES can be searched just like any other field tag. Two field tags are assigned to the CABICODE field and these are described below. Please note, as other field tags these must be entered in lowercase

Field tag	Definition	Example
cc:	Allows users to search the index of the alphanumerical assigned code e.g. LL010	cc:LL010
cabicode:	Allows users to search both the alphanumerical assigned code index as above and the CABI code title index e.g. Apiculture	cabicode:LL010 or cabicode:apiculture

Topic pages

Topic pages enable you to focus searching on specific areas of veterinary medicine such as cattle or companion animals. The topic page can be selected from the horizontal menu bar shown in the screen shot below. These topic pages are structured in a similar format as the homepage but only include content items that refer to the selected topic. For example, the screen shot below shows the topic page for Pigs. Therefore the news carrousel and the latest content section in the Pigs topic page will only show recent articles that refer to Pigs. The green underline in the horizontal topic page menu and the page title indicate which topic page you are currently viewing.



The screenshot shows the VetMed Resource website with the 'Pigs' topic page selected. The horizontal menu bar at the top includes 'Ruminants', 'Pigs', 'Poultry', 'Equine', 'Fish & Aquaculture', 'Companion Animals', 'Exotics, Zoo & Wild Animals', and 'Animal Welfare & Behaviour'. The 'Pigs' menu item is highlighted with a green underline. The page title 'Pigs' is also highlighted. The 'Latest news' section shows a headline 'Porcine epidemic diarrhea virus' with a sub-headline 'Increased funding for research'. The 'Latest content' section shows a headline 'Rubber mat mats may improve sow welfare' with a sub-headline 'In a study in the Journal of Animal Science researchers studied how different types of flooring affect claw and limb lesions, locomotion and...'. The 'Refine results' pane on the right shows various filters including 'Sort Order', 'Author', 'Geographical Location', 'Item Type', 'Language', and 'Organisms'.

Topic page menu bar

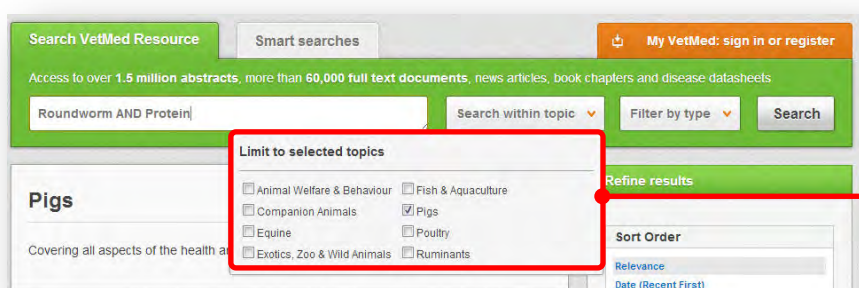
Topic page title

Latest news showing topic content

Latest content only showing for topic

Refine results pane

When conducting a search from a topic page, the relevant option is automatically selected from the topic filter section as shown below. This means that any search conducted from the topic page will limit searches to only content relating to that subject.



The screenshot shows the search interface with the 'Pigs' topic filter selected. The search bar contains the text 'Roundworm AND Protein'. The 'Limit to selected topics' section is highlighted, showing a list of topics with checkboxes. The 'Pigs' checkbox is checked, and the 'Refine results' pane on the right is also highlighted.

Topic automatically selected

Refine options

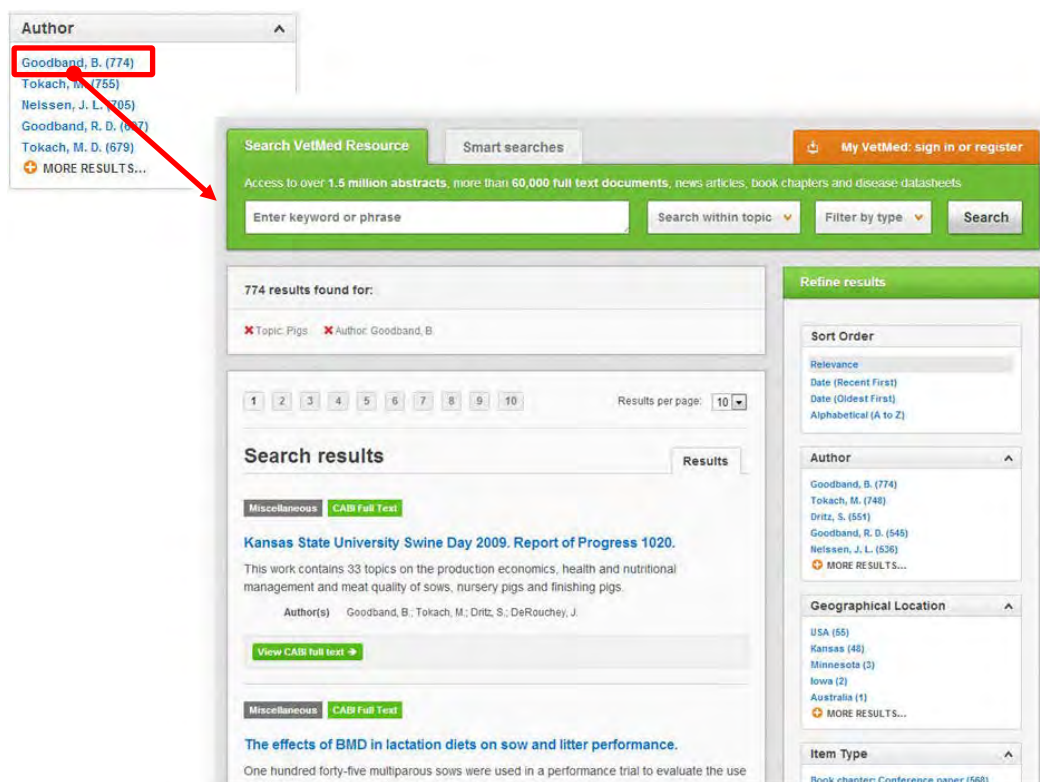
On the right side of the topic page there is a Refine results pane. This allows you to organise the display of the results alphabetically or by recency or relevancy. The refine pane also allows users to refine content even further using the following index fields:

- Author
- Geographic location
- Item type
- Language
- Organisms
- Subject topics



Each field is listed in a separate box in the refine results pane. These can be collapsed by using the ^ in the field box header. Blue text indicates the keyword and the bracketed number indicate the amount of records associated to it.

Clicking on a blue keyword conducts a search to return results specific to the selected topic and the relevant keyword from the associated field. For example, below we can see that by clicking on the author [Goodband, B. \(774\)](#) listed in the author field box a filtered search is generated limiting results to the topic: "Pigs" and the author: "Goodband B.". This is displayed in the filter display at the top of the results page.



MyVetMed

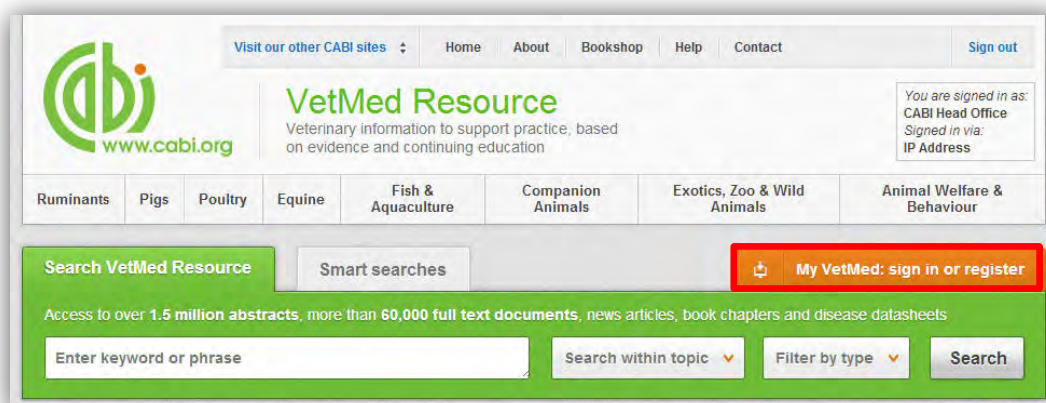
MyVetMed is a new feature of VetMed Resource that improves search functionality for users. Features include:

- Combine and save searches
- Save records
- Export citations
- Create Alerts

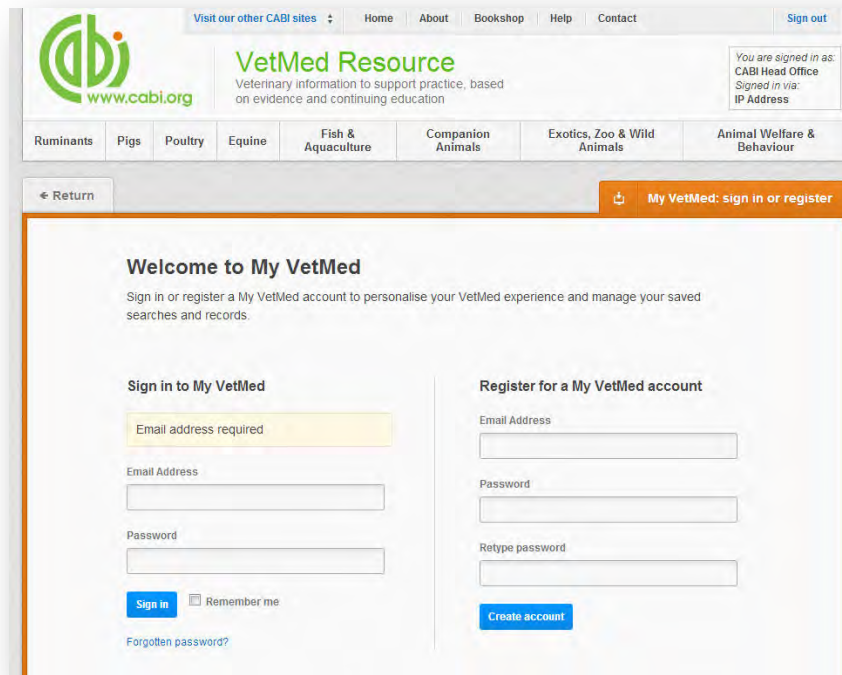
To gain the full functionality of MyVetMed and for the system to record and recall your searching activity you must be signed in. It is therefore recommended that you sign-in to MyVetMed at the beginning of all your search sessions on VetMed Resource.

Creating a MyVetMed account

Before you can access the features of MyVetMed you first need to create an account. To access MyVetMed click on the  button in the top-right hand corner of the search box as shown below:

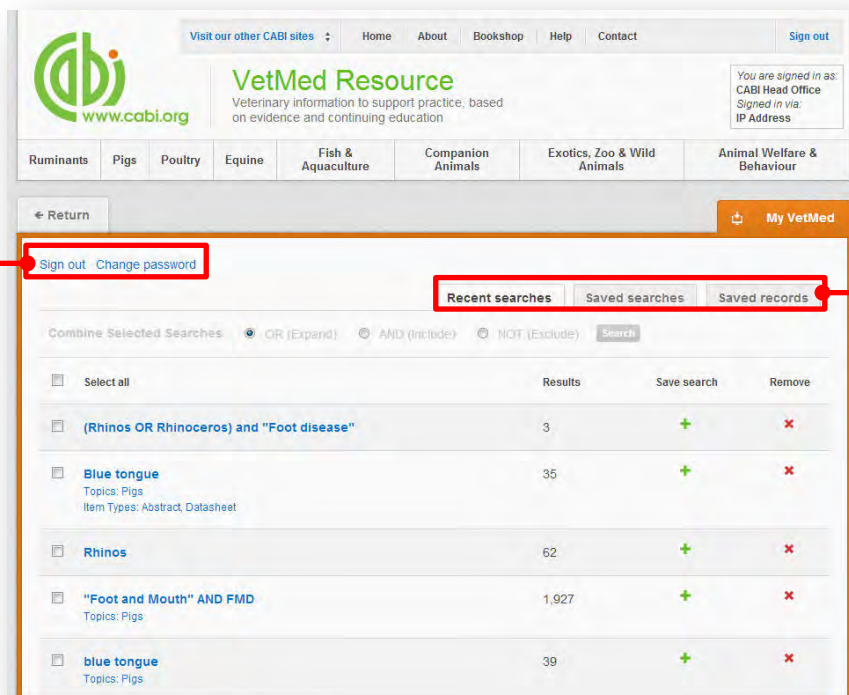


This will direct you to the sign-in page as shown below. The right hand side of the page allows new users to register an account. The left hand side of the page allows users already registered to sign in. Once registered, fill in your unique credentials to sign-in.



Below shows the MyVetMed page. At the top of the display box are the different tabs to display the different types of search activities. By default the display automatically shows the recent searches that you have conducted whilst logged-in to MyVetMed. To the left hand side of the page there is also an option to sign-out or change your account password. To permanently remove a search from your recent search display click on remove button 

Sign out/
Change
password



Search	Results	Save search	Remove
(Rhinos OR Rhinoceros) and "Foot disease"	3	+	×
Blue tongue Topics: Pigs Item Types: Abstract, Datasheet	35	+	×
Rhinos	62	+	×
"Foot and Mouth" AND FMD Topics: Pigs	1,927	+	×
blue tongue Topics: Pigs	39	+	×

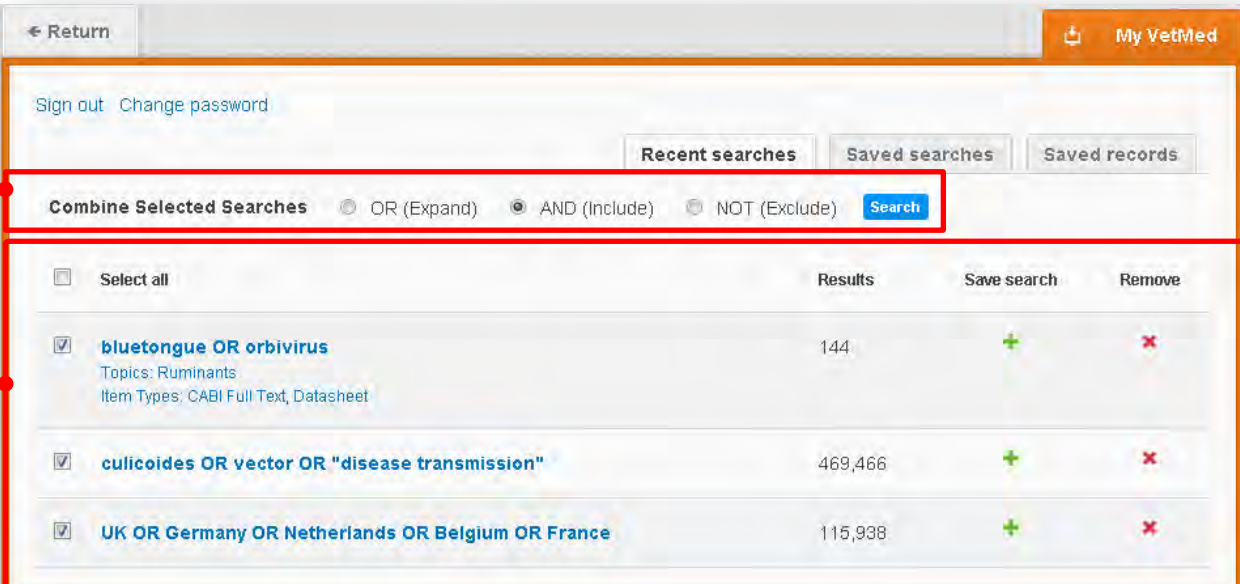
Display
tabs

Combining searches

Combined searches are a useful tool for when compiling long and complex search strings which contain multiple Boolean operators and parentheses. To simplify the process and minimise the chance of input errors this function allows the user to perform two or more separate searches and combine them with either the AND, OR and NOT Boolean operators.

In the example below we can see in the recent search tab two relatively complex searches have recently been conducted. These two have been selected using the checkbox ☒ and the AND Boolean operator has been chosen from the combined search options. You can also see these searches have been filtered to certain criteria as explained [previously](#).

Please note: Terms of more than one word (i.e. “foot and mouth disease”, “disease control” or “bovine herpes virus”) should be entered in quotation marks.



Combining options

Selected searches

Select all	Results	Save search	Remove
☒ bluetongue OR orbivirus Topics: Ruminants Item Types: CABI Full Text, Datasheet	144	+	×
☒ culicoides OR vector OR "disease transmission"	469,466	+	×
☒ UK OR Germany OR Netherlands OR Belgium OR France	115,938	+	×

Once your options have been selected perform the search by clicking the [Search](#) button. This will conduct the search and direct you to the results page as shown below. You can see that the search string of the two combined searches is displayed in the search box. By combining this search with the AND operator we have limited the results further to only return 24 records but alternatively by using this feature with the OR operator the we can also expand results.

Search VetMed Resource Smart searches My VetMed

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(bluetongue OR orbivirus) AND (culicoides OR vector OR "disease transmission") AND (UK OR Germany OR Netherlands OR Belgium OR France)

Search within topic Filter by type Search

43 results found

✗ Topic: Ruminants ✗ Type: CABI Full Text ✗ Type: Datasheet

1 2 3 4 5 Results per page: 10

Search results Results

Abstract

Bluetongue epizootiology.

Bluetongue (BT) is a non-contagious and insect-transmitted viral disease of domestic and wild ruminants. 24 serotypes of the virus have been...

Author(s) Trebas, P.; Smreczak, M.; Orłowska, A.; Żmudzin'ski, J. F.

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Refine results

Sort Order

- Relevance
- Date (Recent First)
- Date (Oldest First)
- Alphabetical (A to Z)

Author

- Niedbalski, W. (2)
- Bonfanti, L. (1)
- Bortolotti, L. (1)
- Cecchinato, M. (1)
- Ceglie, L. (1)
- [MORE RESULTS...](#)

Geographical Location

- France (3)
- Belgium (2)
- Europe (2)
- Germany (2)

Saving searches and creating alerts

For searches you would like to run on a regular basis, users can save searches for future reference by using MyVetMed. To save a search visit the recent search tab from the MyVetMed page and click on the save search button 

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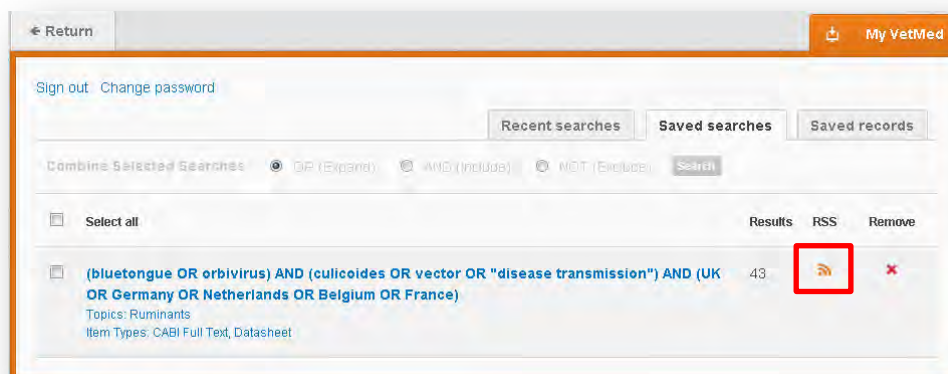
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Recent searches **Saved searches** **Saved records**

Combine Selected Searches: ☒ OR (Expand) ☐ AND (Include) ☐ NOT (Exclude) [Search](#)

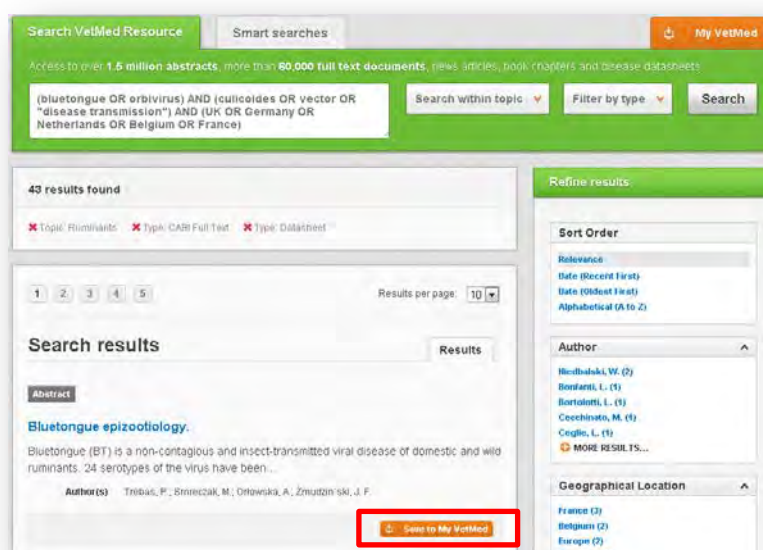
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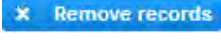
To view your saved searches click on the saved searches tab. The saved searches tab allows the user to conduct a saved search by clicking on the blue search string displayed. For each saved search there is also an option to set up an RSS feed which automatically notifies the user when new records relating to that search string are added to VetMed Resource. These notifications can be viewed through all RSS readers such as Microsoft Outlook and Feedly. To find out more about RSS and how to setup an account with an RSS reader [read more here](#). To set up an RSS feed for your search string click on the RSS feed button .

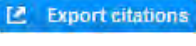


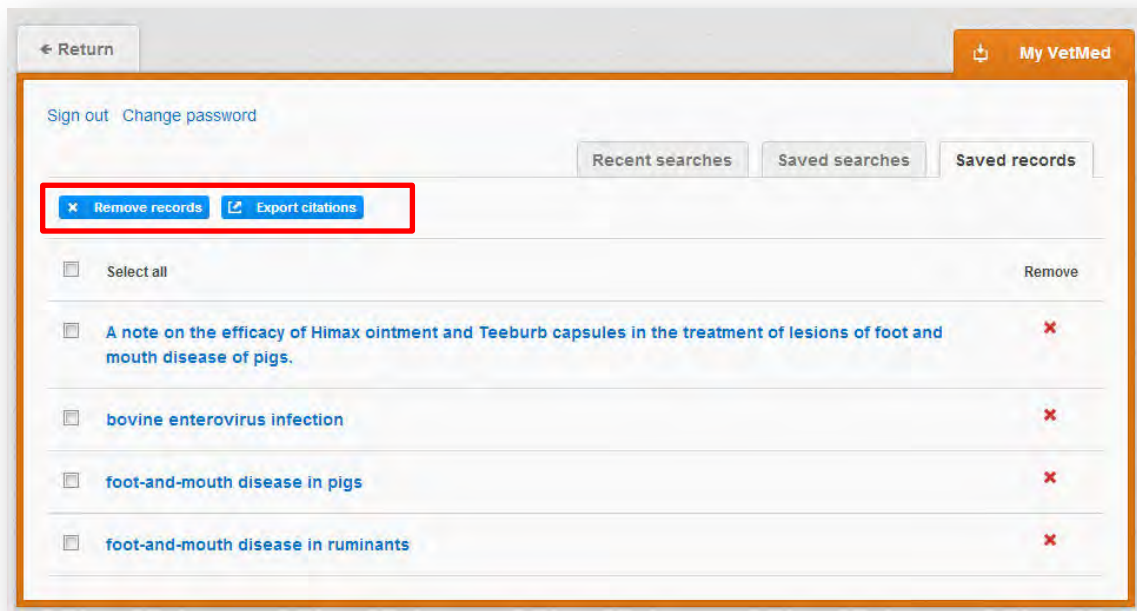
Saving and exporting records

The MyVetMed tool also allows you to save individual article records for future reference and export these to reference management software to create your own bibliographies or reference lists. To save a record to the MyVetMed saved records repository you must first be signed into the MyVetMed tool before conducting searches. When signed in and a search has been conducted each record in the displayed results will have a  **Save to My VetMed** button associated. Click this button to save the record to the MyVetMed resource repository.



To view your saved records click on the saved records tab . This will display the title of all saved records. To view a specific record, click on the title. Records can be removed individually by using the  button. To delete multiple records check the boxes  next to the records and click the  button as shown below.

Citations can also be exported to reference management software in a RIS file format. To export citations, select the records you would like to be included in the reference list using the checkbox  and click the  button as shown below.



Appendix A: Search techniques

Search technique	Example	Description	Function	Reason to use
Single word search	cat	Searches VetMed Resource using a single word term	Returns a broad range of results for a particular word/topic	Provides a broad overview of a scientific area of interest
Boolean search	cats AND behaviour	Searches VetMed Resource using the operators AND, OR and NOT	Performs searches on multiple concepts that provides specific keyword searching for an area of interest that can include or exclude other concepts.	Allows the user to conduct more controlled searching. Can be used to omit homophones
Phrase searching	"domestic cats" AND behaviour	Use quotation marks before and after a multiple word phrase	Returns results only containing the entire phrase	Narrows searching to records that only contain the whole phrase
Parentheses	("domestic cats" NOT feline) AND behaviour	Searches VetMed Resource using keywords, Boolean operators and parentheses.	Used for searches that contain multiple Boolean operators to define the correct search logic	Refines searches with Boolean operators further to provide limited search results
Truncation & wild cards	("domestic* cats" NOT feline) AND behav*	Uses the symbols * and ? in keyword search	Using the * returns results with different word stems for the root word Using the ? symbol allows users to specify unknown characters	The * allows users to broaden results to keywords with differing word stems e.g. pop* = popular, population, etc. The ? returns results using a keyword that may differ in spelling

