

### Introduction

Thank you for taking part in the recent OvidSP training session. Below is a selection of search examples for you to work through and experiment with. Tasks 1 and 3 cover in detail both the themes and the OvidSP features and functionality we discussed during the recent training session. It is recommended that you work through the individual steps as described below. This way you will be able to reproduce the results and practice some of the approaches to problem solving we discussed during the training. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your Ovid Sales Representative or the [Ovid Training Team](#).

### Task 1.

Find references on the effects of radiation on sea food.

#### Solution 1:

<b>Where:</b>	Food Science and Technology Abstracts 1969 to 2011 March
<b>How:</b>	Expert Search
<b>What:</b>	<p><b>Step 1. Keyword:</b> seafood / Map Term to “seafood” OR “fish” OR “molluscs / Explode</p> <p><b>Step 2. Keyword:</b> radiation / Map Term to “radiation” / Explode</p> <p><b>Step 3. Keyword:</b> food safety / Map Term to “food safety” / Explode</p> <p><b>Step 4.</b> Combine S1 AND S2 AND S3</p> <p><b>Step 3.</b> Apply the filter <b>Years: Past 3 years</b> / Click on <b>Add to Search History</b></p>

#### Solution 2:

<b>Where:</b>	Food Science and Technology Abstracts 1969 to 2011 March
<b>How:</b>	Multi-Field Search
<b>What:</b>	<p><b>Step 1.</b> Enter the terms “seafood* OR fish*” in the <b>Title</b> field (drop down menu)</p> <p><b>Step 2.</b> Combine Step 1. to Step 3. With the <b>OR</b> operator (drop down menu)</p> <p><b>Step 3.</b> Enter the terms “radiation* OR irradiation* OR contamination*” in the <b>Title</b> field (drop down menu)</p> <p><b>Step 4.</b> Combine Step 3. to Step 5. With the <b>AND</b> operator</p> <p><b>Step 5.</b> Enter the terms “effect* OR influence* OR impact* OR consequence*”</p> <p><b>Step 4.</b> Apply the filter <b>Current Year</b> / Click on <b>Add to Search History</b></p>

**Task 2.**

From the results obtained in Task 1, solution 2 at Step 5 how many of the 7,260 references are conference proceedings?

<b>Where:</b>	Food Science and Technology Abstracts 1969 to 2011 March
<b>How:</b>	Multi-Field Search / (Note: Use result set from Task 1, solution 2 to Step 5 above).
<b>What:</b>	<p><b>Step 1.</b> Click on <b>Limits</b> to display the limits options</p> <p><b>Step 2.</b> Click on <b>Additional Limits</b> to display the full set of limits options</p> <p><b>Step 3.</b> Select the search that yielded 7,260 hits</p> <p><b>Step 4.</b> In limits options select <b>Publication Types</b> / highlight <b>Conference Proceedings</b></p> <p><b>Step 5.</b> Click on <b>Limit A Search</b> to run search</p>

**Task 3.**

Find references on the effects of radiation on sea food.

<b>Where:</b>	Food Science and Technology Abstracts 1969 to 2011 March
<b>How:</b>	Basic Search
<b>What:</b>	<p><b>Step 1.</b> Search using the full sentence <i>“what are the effects of radiation on seafood”</i> / Check <b>Include Related Terms</b></p> <p><b>Step 2.</b> Apply the filter <b>Relevancy:5 stars only</b> / Click on <b>Add to Search History</b></p> <p><b>Step 3.</b> Apply the filter <b>Years: Past 3 years</b> / Click on <b>Add to Search History</b></p> <p><b>Step 4.</b> Locate article <i>“Impact of irradiation on fish..”</i> / Display <b>Complete Reference</b></p> <p><b>Step 5.</b> View the document’s <b>Subject headings</b> / Click on terms to run as a search</p>