

Truncations

+	Retrieves an unlimited number of characters	bicycl+ +inflammatory
?	Retrieves zero or one character	bicycle? alumin?um
#	Retrieves exactly one character	polymeri#ation

Operators

OR	Retrieves references containing at least one of the terms	sulfur OR sulphur
AND	All the terms	plutonium AND isotope
NOT	The first term without the second	suv NOT vesicle
F	The terms in the same field	sodium F chlorine
S	The terms in the same sentence	sodium S chlorine
P	The terms in the same paragraph	sodium P chlorine
D	The terms next to each other in any order	Redundancy D check+
Nd	The terms next to each other in any order with up to n other terms between them (n from 1 to 9)	electric+ 2D conduct+ 2D adhesive
W	The terms next to each other in a specific order. When no operator is put between terms, the W will be automatically implied	smart W card? = smart card?
nw	The terms next to each other in a specific order with up to n other terms between them (n between 1 and 9)	friction 1W pad?
Parenthesis	Parenthesis necessary when combining several operators	((wireless W application W protocol) OR wap) NOT (dna OR transgenic) (hair 1D (dye OR dyeing)) AND oxidat+

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