

## Using the CrossSearch Module

### What is CrossSearch?

This module offers more control over the search process and is recommended for more advanced researchers. Users can choose and search a group of preselected resources for a specific subject area or create their own custom group of resources in which to perform a search.

### Accessing the CrossSearch module

You will be able to access MetaLib in the same way you have always accessed KYVL resources. Simply click on the "Find Books, Articles and More" link on the KYVL homepage.

When accessing KYVL from your school or library, you will be sent directly to KYVL resources. If you are accessing KYVL from home, you will need to log in using the KYVL username and password.

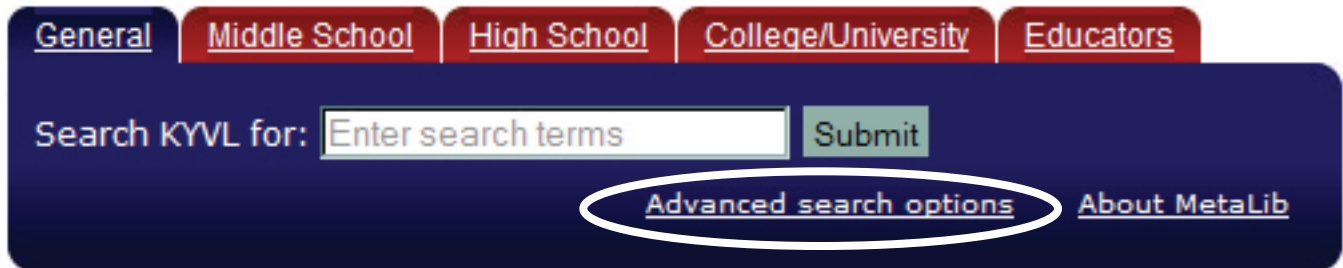
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1. Go to the Kentucky Virtual Library homepage (<http://www.kyvl.org>) and click on the Find Books, Articles and More link.

**From your library:** You will be sent directly to the KYVL Resources page

**From home:** You will be asked to enter a username and password. See a staff member at your home library to acquire a KYVL login.

2. From the KYVL Resources page: click the Advanced search options link in the blue search box.



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Search KYVL for:

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3. Select CrossSearch from the navigation menu at the top of the MetaLib interface.

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### Quick Search



Simple Advanced

Enter search term:

QuickSets

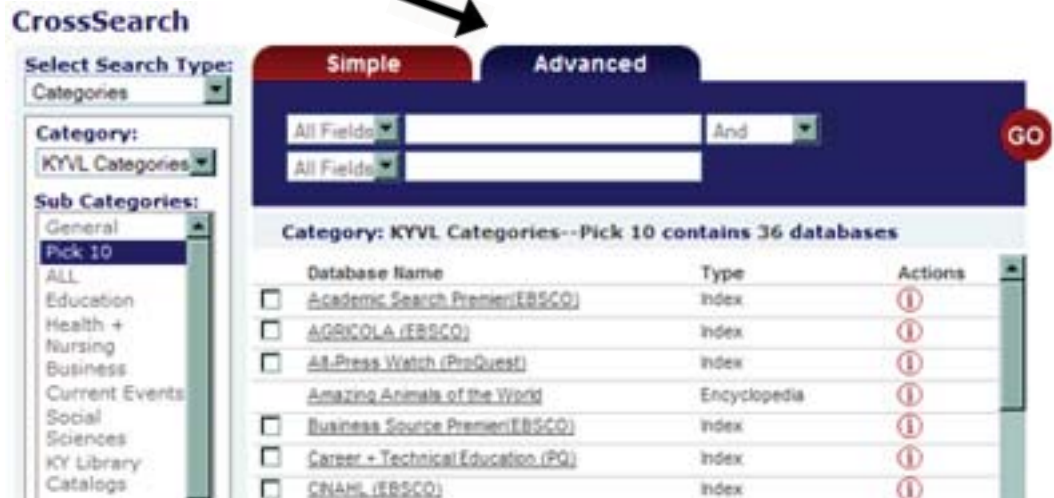
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## Using CrossSearch (Cont.)

1. Choose either the Simple or Advanced search option by clicking on the tab provided.

2. Choose your subject area from the Sub Categories list or create a completely custom search by choosing the Pick10 tool.



3. Click in the  check box next to each database you wish to search. You may search up to 10 databases at a time.

4. Enter keywords and phrases, then Click Go to start the search.

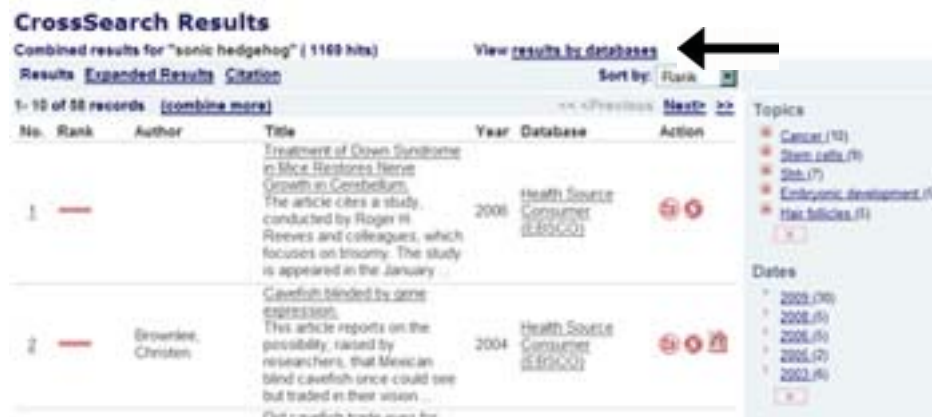
5. As the search progresses, MetaLib will display the current status of each database selected (Searching, Fetching or Done). When the search is complete, MetaLib will display the number of results found in each database.

### CrossSearch Results

Database Name	Status	Hits	
Academic Search Premier(EBSCO)	DONE	1141	<a href="#">View</a>
CINAHL (EBSCO)	DONE	16	<a href="#">View</a>
Health Source Consumer (EBSCO)	DONE	12	<a href="#">View</a>
<b>Combined Results</b>	<b>First 58 records</b>	<b>1169</b>	<a href="#">View</a>

6. If you want view the result from only one resource, click the View link next to that database.

To view results from all databases searched, click the View link next to Combined Results.



No.	Rank	Author	Title	Year	Database	Action
1			Treatment of Ovarian Syndrome in Mice Requires Nerve Growth in Corneal Nerves. The article cites a study conducted by Roger H. Reeves and colleagues, which focuses on bromine. The study is appeared in the January...	2006	Health Source Consumer (EBSCO)	<a href="#">View</a>
2		Browder, Kristen	Cavefish blinded by gene expression. This article reports on the possibility, raised by researchers, that Mexican blind cavefish once could see but traded in their vision for...	2004	Health Source Consumer (EBSCO)	<a href="#">View</a>

7. You can return to the search results summary by clicking on the Results by database link from the CrossSearch results list.

