How to Search

Search all Facts & Comparisons® eAnswers databases for monographs. Conduct searches using any search term, including generic or trade drugs, drug classes, herbals, or conditions.

1. Type the search criteria into the search field.
2. Type the name or select it when it appears in the word wheel. Note: If the desired search term is not in the word wheel, the system will perform a free text search on your term.
3. Click Go>>.

Viewing Search Results

Whenever possible, you will link directly to a drug monograph. From the monograph, you can also access the complete search results by clicking the Go To Search Results link in the title bar. Any search term that doesn’t directly link to a monograph will bring up the search results page first.
The search term appears in the main header and at the top of the right pane. The Search Results page is organized into two sections.

The left pane, “Refine your search”, displays the results organized into 4 categories: Top Search Results, Found Within Drug Information Monographs, Found Within Medical Condition Monographs, and Found Within Other References. Within these groups, the type of document and the number of each is shown.

Note that you can change the organization of results by clicking Sort by Title within full drug information monographs.

Search terms that match on topic titles will be displayed in the Top Search Results.

When you click a link in the left pane, it opens to display the list of documents in the left and right panes. Clicking on the left pane link again will display the sections of the document. The top search results will display all sections. Other categories display only those sections that contain the search term.

The right pane displays the corresponding hyperlinked titles. Sections containing the search term are displayed, with the search term highlighted.

When there are more than 10 results displayed in the right pane, the number of pages of results is displayed as well as Next and Previous links.

You can click a link in either pane to display the monograph you want.
Navigating a Monograph

1. **Search** — Conducts a new search from any point in the application.
2. **Title Bar Menu** — Displays a series of links for the displayed monograph. The available links depend on the page displayed, but may include summary monographs or patient handouts.
3. **Breadcrumbs** — Shows the search path to the monograph and the class hierarchy of the drug. Clicking any of the crumbs delivers access to the levels of the hierarchy. **Note:** Breadcrumbs are not displayed on all pages.
4. **Related Documents** — If there are related documents, this link is shown in the Title Bar Menu. Related document categories include: Patient Assistance Programs, Orphan Drugs, News articles, and more.
5. **Class Monograph/Links to Tables** — Use this button to access the class monograph and related comparative tables.
6. **Product List** — The Product List section of a single agent Drug Facts and Comparisons monograph displays summary product information. Use checkboxes or links to view detailed information on one and/or multiple products.
7. **Route of Administration Tabs** — When a drug is available by multiple routes of administration and/or salt forms, you can click the tab to view complete prescribing information for that route and/or salt form.
8. **Print** — Hover over to display the print menu. You can choose to print specific sections or the entire monograph.
9. **Print this section** — Click this link to print this specific section of the monograph.
10. **Go To Section** — Select from the drop down menu to jump to a section of the monograph. **Note:** Not all monographs contain all sections.
Drug Interactions

The drug interaction tool can be accessed from the Interactive Tools list on the home page or from the Tools drop-down menu in the header, on any page.

**Interactive Tools**
- Advanced Dosing Tools
- Clinical Calculators
- Comparative Data Tables
- Drug Identifier

**Drug Interactions**
- IV Compatibility - Trissel's

You can also enter a drug directly from the monograph using the link within the Drug Interactions section.

The drug interaction tool provides patient-specific screening by allowing user input of the following parameters:

- Drugs (requires entry of at least one drug)
- Allergies (optional)
- Disease/symptoms (optional)
- Gender (optional)
- Age or Date of Birth (optional)
- Pregnancy, lactation, and smoker status (optional)

To add a drug, drug allergy, or disease/symptom, type the first few letters of the drug, allergy, or disease name in the corresponding field. An NDC code may be used to add a drug, as well. A word wheel will assist you by completing the search term and displaying possible options. Once your term is highlighted in the word wheel, click **Add** or press the **Enter** key, to add the term to the corresponding list.

**Note:** Added drug names are hyperlinks. By clicking on a single drug in the Drugs list, you can view the entire list of interactions and precautions for a particular drug.
You can add other criteria such as gender, age or birth date, whether the patient is pregnant, lactating, or a smoker, as well as further filter your search settings by clicking **Filter Settings**.

When you have entered all of your search criteria and desired filters, click **Go>>** to view the Drug Interaction Results page.
You can modify screening criteria for the existing profile or conduct a new search. Options are located on the **Title Bar** menu.

The results are displayed with all sections expanded. You can expand or collapse individual sections or **Hide All** or **Show All** sections. Information is presented in summary format. However, each displayed interaction or precaution is a link. By clicking on this link, you can view more detailed information about a displayed interaction or precaution.
Identify a Drug

The drug identifier tool can be accessed from the Interactive Tools list on the home page or from the Tools drop-down menu in the header, on any page.

Click Drug Identifier to open Search Drug Identifier.
You can enter an imprint code, color, dose form, score, or shape as well as any combination of these criteria.

You can also search by a drug name in the Trade/Generic name field, a manufacturer in the Labeler/Manufacturer field, or an NDC code in the NDC/Labeler Code field.

You can choose to limit your search results by showing only results with an image and by omitting repackagers. By default, repackagers are omitted from search results. By clearing the checkbox, repackaged products will be displayed in the search results.

After you enter your drug search criteria, click Search. The Search Drug Identifier results page is displayed, showing both full and partial matches, if applicable.

You can enlarge the image by moving the cursor over it.

You can expand and collapse the drug matches that are returned from the drug identifier. Click on the print button to create a PDF document of the search results.

By clicking on one of the search results, more information about the specific result will be displayed.
**Drug Search by Disease/Symptom**

The Drug Search by Disease/Symptom tool uses disease or symptom search terms to generate a list of drugs based on the user’s selected criteria. The tool allows you to combine criteria and create reports using one or more of the following attributes:

- Drugs indicated or not indicated for a specified condition
- Drugs contraindicated or not contraindicated for a specified condition
- Drugs known or not known to cause a specified adverse reaction

To create a report, choose a parameter using the radio button and enter the disease or symptom into the search box. The default option will search for conditions that begin with your search term; however, you can also search by selecting the “name contains” option or by entering the ICD-9 code.

Clicking the **Add** button causes the search term to be entered into the respective text box. Click the **Go** button to initiate the search.

The heading at the top of the right column displays the search criteria specified for the search. Below the right column heading is a list of links to monographs for all drugs or drug classes returned by the search. For indication searches, an Off-label notation is included, when applicable.
To narrow the search, click on the search term in the left pane. More specific forms of the medical condition appear under the search term. Clear the checkbox in front of the subcategories to be removed. The list of drugs in the right window immediately refreshes with the updated search results. To broaden the search, click a link that begins with “Search all…”.

- To view the monograph for a specific drug, click on the drug name in the right column. To return to the search entry screen and modify your original criteria, click the Modify Criteria link above the right pane of the screen.
- To redisplay a blank entry screen and enter entirely new criteria, click the New Criteria link above the right pane of the screen.
- To print a PDF document of the search result, click on the Print link.
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