

Using LexisNexis Academic

Use **Easy Search** for quick answers to simple queries.

This is an example of the **Power Search** screen, which is used for an advanced search:

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Search terms Terms and Connectors Natural Language

Search

Use connectors to show relationship of terms, e.g.,
cat **OR** feline, john **W/2** smith
[Tips for using search connectors](#)

Add keywords (Index Terms) to your search...

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*Financial Times (London) Archive
*University Wire
*Federal & State Cases, Combined

Click on **Terms and Connectors** to find information about an issue, topic, person or company.

- This type of search is best for specific relationships that exist between your search words. E.g., Medical marijuana **and** cancer

Click on **Natural Language** for conceptual issues rather than specific topics.

- This type of search works well for complex subjects, especially when you are unsure of which words to use. E.g., the use of generic drug substitutions by insurance companies.

To perform a Terms and Connectors search:

1. Place terms in the search box. You can use Boolean operators. Click on [Tips for using search connectors](#) to see all the available options.
2. Use the pull-down menu to select the sources you want the database to search.
3. Specify a date range. The default is All available dates (which often provides too many results).
4. Click on the link that says [Add keywords \(Index Terms\) to your search](#).
This is helpful because it enables you to focus your search by adding a subject.

This is the window that opens when you click on the link that says [Add keywords \(Index Terms\) to your search](#):



Here we are searching for the term “medical marijuana” as a concept or a subject. We want results where “medical marijuana” makes up a significant part of the article and not just randomly mentioned.

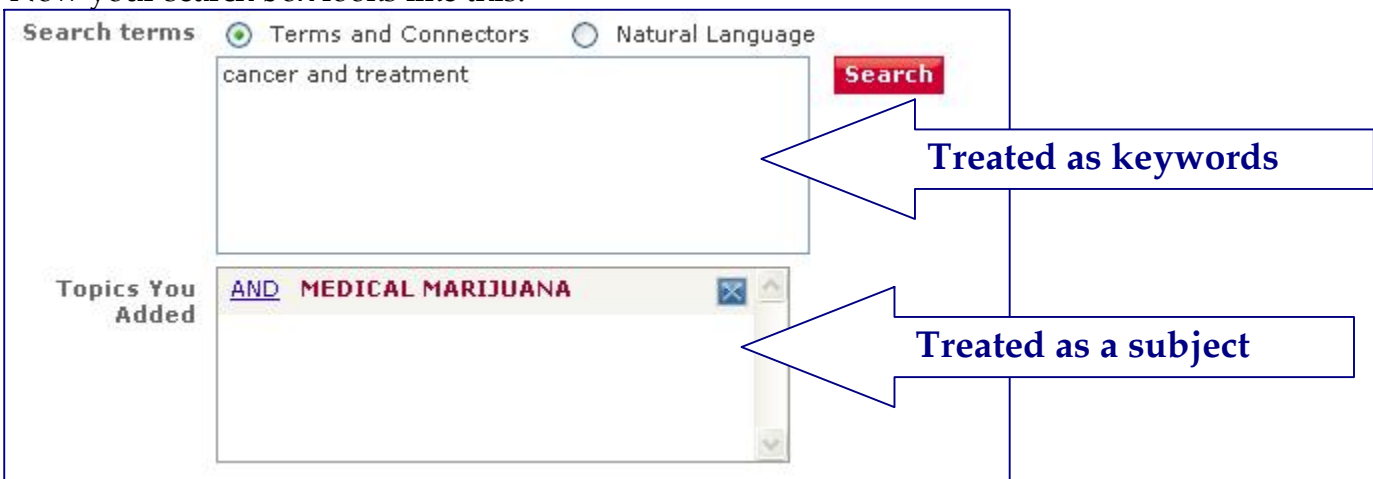
Click **Find**. This window shows our results:



This is telling us that there is one result matching our input term under **Subject Results (1)** and one term matching our input under **Industry Results (1)**. Checking one box automatically selects both.

Click **OK-Add to search**.

Now your search box looks like this:



You can add additional terms if you like in your **Search terms** box. We want to combine the keywords cancer and treatment with the phrase “Medical Marijuana” as the main subject. You can also specify publication types and dates at this time.

Hit the **Search** button when you are finished.

We had 948 hits in our search.

We could do many things to narrow our results at this point. We could:

#1 Search within results by adding additional keywords.

#2 Sort by date and look at only the most recent articles.

#3 Select categories in the Result Groups.

The screenshot shows a search results interface. At the top right, there are links for 'Help' and 'Results'. Below this, there are controls for 'Show' (set to 'List') and 'Sort' (set to 'Publication Date'). A search box labeled 'Search within results' is present, with a 'Go' button next to it. Below the search box, there are links for 'Next Steps', 'Edit Search', and another 'Go' button. A 'View Tagged' button is also visible. The main results area shows a list of 8 items, each with a checkbox and a brief description. An annotation '#1' points to the search box. An annotation '#2' points to the 'Sort' dropdown menu. An annotation '#3' points to the 'Result Groups' sidebar on the left. The sidebar includes a 'View Multiple Groups' link and a list of categories with expandable icons. The categories listed are: All Results (948), Sources by Category (with sub-categories: Newspapers (869), Industry Trade Press (45), Newsletters (37), Scientific Materials (35), Magazines & Journals (34), Legislative Histories (5), People Directories & Profiles (4), Aggregate News Sources (2), Newswires & Press Releases (2)), Publication Name, Subject, Industry, Company, Geography, Language, and People. A 'Help' link is at the bottom of the sidebar.

Help Results

Show List

Sort Publication Date

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Search within results

Go

Next Steps Edit Search Go

View Tagged

Results

1. CANNABIS SCIENCE, INC.; Gulf Onshore Announces Name Change to Cannabis Science, Inc. and Selection of Its First Pharmaceutical Cannabis Product for FDA Testing
Drug Week, April 24, 2009, EXPANDED REPORTING; Pg. 1735, 714 words
2. CALIFORNIA; Leniency hinted in pot case; A judge says he may impose less than the required five years on the man who ran a Morro Bay dispensary.
Los Angeles Times, April 24, 2009 Friday, MAIN NEWS; Metro Desk; Part A; Pg. 14, 518 words, Scott Glover
3. CANNABIS SCIENCE, INC.; Gulf Onshore Announces Name Change to Cannabis Science, Inc. and Selection of Its First Pharmaceutical Cannabis Product for FDA Testing
Biotech Business Week, April 20, 2009, EXPANDED REPORTING; Pg. 1647, 718 words
4. GULF ONSHORE INC; GULF Acquires Assets of Cannex Therapeutics LLC
Drug Week, April 17, 2009, EXPANDED REPORTING; Pg. 2019, 1112 words
5. CALIFORNIA; New view of medical pot urged; Advocacy group tells the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals that U.S. is spreading false information.
Los Angeles Times, April 15, 2009 Wednesday, MAIN NEWS; Metro Desk; Part A; Pg. 6, 516 words, Carol J. Williams, Maura Dolan
6. GULF ONSHORE INC; GULF Acquires Assets of Cannex Therapeutics LLC
Biotech Business Week, April 13, 2009, EXPANDED REPORTING; Pg. 1955, 1116 words
7. The real dope
The Jerusalem Post, March 20, 2009 Friday, FEATURES; Pg. 14, 6962 words, DAVID BRINN
8. U.S. won't prosecute medical pot sales; Atty. Gen. Holder's statement is hailed as a landmark change in policy and echoes a pledge by Obama.
Los Angeles Times, March 19, 2009 Thursday, MAIN NEWS; Metro Desk; Part A; Pg. 1, 863 words, Josh Meyer, Scott Glover

Result Groups

View Multiple Groups

All Results (948)

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