

ANSWERING CLINICAL QUESTIONS IN REAL TIME USING THE RESOURCES OF THE TTUHSC LIBRARIES

When you need information in ...	Suggested resources to use	Purpose/scope
10 - 15 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ACP Pier (via Stat!Ref) ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Essential Evidence Plus ▪ Micromedex ▪ Natural Medicines Database 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Answer clinical questions in a concise, easily accessible format ▪ Organized information for quick browsing ▪ Provide summary, background information ▪ Many are evidence-based and will provide links to the full-text of the evidence
10 - 15 minutes <i>plus</i> a PDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Essential Evidence Plus ▪ Thomson ClinicalXpert (Micromedex) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Take clinical information to the bedside ▪ Rules & calculators ▪ Summary drug information ▪ Efficiently updated information
20 - 30 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ACP Journal Club (via OVID EBMR) ▪ Essential Evidence Plus ▪ MDConsult ▪ Micromedex ▪ PubMed Clinical Queries ▪ Stat!Ref 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Go beyond the basics and scan collected information for relevant content ▪ One-stop access to a wide variety of material ▪ Save time by simultaneously searching a variety of resources ▪ Read MD-prepared critical summaries of the evidence
30 minutes or more (or for an in-depth case presentation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OVID EBMR databases (includes Cochrane Systematic Reviews) ▪ OVID Medline ▪ PubMed ▪ PsycInfo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Indexed databases of journal article citations and abstracts ▪ Search tools and limits that help you find answers to your clinical questions more quickly ▪ Many links to full-text PDFs of journal articles

Resources by types of information needed and time available

Type of question	Time available for Search	
	20 minutes or less	More than 20 minutes
Alternative or Complementary Treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Micromedex ▪ Natural Medicines Database 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OVID CINAHL ▪ OVID Medline ▪ PubMed
Calculators, Rules, Tables, Lab Results, Procedures or Tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Essential Evidence Plus ▪ MedCalc 3000 (via Stat!Ref / Resources) ▪ Micromedex 	
Differential Diagnosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Micromedex 	<i>Clinical Queries in:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OVID/Medline ▪ PubMed
Disease Information (Diagnostic Test or Treatment Recommendations)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DynaMed ▪ ACP Pier ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Essential Evidence Plus ▪ Stat!Ref 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OVID/Medline ▪ Micromedex ▪ PubMed
Drug Information, including Drug Interactions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AccessMedicine ▪ ACP Pier ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ MDConsult ▪ Micromedex ▪ Natural Medicines Database ▪ Stat!Ref 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OVID/Medline ▪ Micromedex ▪ PubMed
Evidence-Based Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ACP Pier ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Essential Evidence Plus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OVID EBMR (including Cochrane databases) ▪ OVID/Medline ▪ PsycInfo ▪ PubMed
Guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Guidelines.gov ▪ Essential Evidence Plus ▪ MDConsult 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OVID Medline ▪ PubMed
Images	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AccessMedicine ▪ AnatomyTV (via Stat!Ref) ▪ MDConsult ▪ Stat!Ref 	
Patient Education (including languages other than English)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DynaMed ▪ FIRSTConsult ▪ Essential Evidence Plus ▪ MDConsult ▪ MedlinePlus ▪ Micromedex ▪ Natural Medicines Database ▪ www.noah-health.org/en/ebm/ 	

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