

AVA Library Guide

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EBSCO subject databases are a reliable tool for locating relevant scholarly, peer-reviewed articles on a specific topic. The AVA currently subscribe to the **Veterinary Source** database. Veterinary Source provides access to research on the prevention, control, diagnosis and treatment of diseases and injury in animals. It covers topics relating to every aspect of animal healthcare, including:

- Animal pathology and parasitology
- Veterinary medicinal care and practices
- Anatomy and physiology
- Small and large animal care
- Nutrition
- Diagnosis
- Animal reproduction and breeding.

The following search tips will provide an overview of how to access EBSCO and construct an advanced search for your research project, literature review and evidence-based practice.

How to access EBSCO databases at AVA

From the AVA Home Page – https://www.ava.com.au

- 1. Click on the Library, Journals and Resources link
- 2. Click on Veterinary Source database from the menu
- 3. Click on Access Veterinary Source. You have now navigated to the EBSCO search tool.
- 4. Click on Advanced Search



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- 1. Enter your search term (Tip: Guidelines and tips for conducting searching of databases is outlined in the **AVA Library Guide Searching Databases**.)
- 2. Click on the Create Alert button



3. Set up your Alert preferences.

Frequency of alert: Once a day; once a week; bi-weekly; once a month **Published** period: Within the last year; 1, 2, or 6 months; or no limit

Format of results: Brief; Detailed; Bibliographic Manager

4. Click on Save Alert.

