

Export card: eight platforms

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Before each export: write down the number of results and the date. Choose RIS (PubMed: the PubMed format), with the abstract.

Where to click, and the limits (each limit from the vendor's own page, checked 29 Sep 2026)

Platform	Choose	The abstract	Records per export	Over the limit	Also
PubMed	"Save", "All results", format "PubMed"; or "Send to", "Citation manager" (.nbib)	In the PubMed format	10,000	Split by date	Advanced Search, "Download": history as CSV (history expires after 8 hours of inactivity)
Ovid	Export as RIS	Fields that include it	not stated	Blocks of 1,000; check each count	Include the search history in the export
EBSCOhost	"Export results (Up to 25,000)" if enabled; or select records on the result list	"Include abstract"	25,000 (bulk); 50, or 500 signed in	Blocks; bulk link by email, valid 7 days	Bulk needs MyEBSCO; APA PsycTests records are left out
Scopus	"Export", RIS (sign in)	"Abstract and Keywords"	20,000	Split by date	
Web of Science	"Export", "RIS (other reference software)", "Full Record"	Not in "Fast 5000"	1,000; 500 with cited references	Blocks of 1,000	List the indexes you searched
Embase.com	"Export", RIS	"Citations and Abstracts"	10,000 registered; 500 anonymous	Blocks	Sign in first
Cochrane Library	"Select all", "Export", "RIS (EndNote)"	"Include abstract"	20,000 per search	Limit by date	Search Manager "Print" keeps the counts; CENTRAL export needs a subscription
ProQuest	"Export Results" if your library enabled it; signed in to My Research	Include the available abstracts	20,000	Date ranges; ten exports a day	Whole result set only; some databases do not support it

After each export: open the file in a text editor and find an abstract. Count the records: each RIS record starts with a TY line, each PubMed record with a PMID line. The parts should add up to the number the database showed. Write the date, the counts and the file names in your search log; a blank log prints with the guide.

Sources: each platform's own help page, as listed in the guide: PubMed User Guide (24 Sep 2026); Ovid Help, "Exporting Results" (version 04.08.00); EBSCO Connect (1 and 3 Sep 2026); Elsevier Scopus Support (21 Apr 2026); Clarivate Support, "Web of Science: Limit on exporting" (article 000313597); Elsevier Embase Support (30 Sep 2023); Cochrane Library help; ProQuest Help. The full guide, with every source: evensift.com/guides/export/

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