Advanced searching
Use more advanced tools for complex searches.

Select ‘Advanced Search’ to access additional tools for creating complex search strategies and to search using index terms (MeSH and PICO).

In the ‘Search’ tab, use the drop-down menu selection to easily limit searches to fields, such as ‘Author’ or ‘Abstract’.

Supports common search syntax: Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT); proximity operators (NEAR, NEXT); and truncation (*, or ?).

Limit your search to a particular content type.

The search date limit applies to all Cochrane content types.

To limit to the original publication year, first select ‘Trials’ as a content type.

Word variations will be searched by default in the ‘Search’ tab, but can be turned off by unchecking the box.

Saved searches
View the order in which the most recent search was saved.
Load a saved search.
Share your saved search via an e-mail link.

Click to be e-mailed when new articles are retrieved by your search.
Use ‘Export’ for a print-friendly copy of your search.

Search manager
Access your saved searches.
Use the search slideout to easily choose fields via menu selections.
Use the filter button to open the search limits module.
Access search help.
Use the MeSH slideout to perform a MeSH search directly within the Search manager.