



# Introduction to the WHO Library

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# Objective

- To introduce readers to the WHO Library resources and how to search for information in the Library

# WHO website




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# WHO website


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### Latest news from WHO

All →

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23 August 2024 | News item  
WHO urges rapid access to new diagnostic tests, tools, and technologies to emergency settings
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23 August 2024 | News item  
WHO and International Paralympic Committee team up to highlight power of assistive technology at Paris 2024 Paralympics
- 


17 August 2024 | News item  
Fourteen African countries, key partners agree to provide critical resources for 2024-25 WHO's Roll-over Investment Budget
- 


23 August 2024 | News item  
Global strategic preparedness and response plan launched by WHO to contain major outbreaks


### Latest on emergencies

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Health situation in Gaza  
Read the latest
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MERS risk assessment  
Read the update
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Floods in Yemen  
Read about WHO's support
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COVID-19  
Read the latest updates

### Investment Round

Invest in WHO

### Dementia

Dementia: when to worry  
Listen to the latest podcast

### Mpox

Read the questions and answers page

### Speeches

Read WHO director-general's speeches

### Publications


Find a publication


### Preventing sexual misconduct

Learn how WHO is tackling sexual misconduct

### Campaigns

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World Suicide Prevention Day  
17 September
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World Patient Safety Day  
17 September


### Events


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Eighty meeting of the WHO Executive Director's Expert Advisory Group (EAG) subgroup on Policy actions  
17 September 2024
- 

SAFETY2024  
18-20 September 2024
- 

15th World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion  
19-21 September 2024
- 

WHO Webinar: Ending TB in the context of climate change: building evidence to inform actions  
19 September 2024 10:00 - 11:00 AM
- 

10th Global Innovation Summit  
19 September 2024
- 

2024 webinar: Beyond 150: WHO's efforts to fulfil commitments  
19 September 2024 1:00 - 2:00 PM

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- 28 August 2024**: Practical interim guidance to reduce the risk of infection in people exposed to acute influenza viruses. Includes 'Download' and 'Read More' links.
- 17 August 2024**: Health financing progress metrics assessment, Zambia 2024. Includes 'Download' and 'Read More' links.
- 17 August 2024**: Ebola and Marburg disease outbreaks: infection prevention and control, research priorities in health. Includes 'Download' and 'Read More' links.

To the right of these articles is a sidebar menu with 'Book orders', 'journals and texts', and 'WHO guidelines'. Below the menu is a 'New digital publications site' announcement with a small image of a book.

At the bottom of the page, there are two logos: 'iris. Institutional Repository for Information Sharing (IRIS)' and 'WHO Library' with an image of a bookshelf.

## Publications produced by regional offices

- [African Region](#)
- [Region of the Americas](#)
- [Eastern Mediterranean Region](#)
- [European Region](#)
- [South-East Asia Region](#)
- [Western Pacific Region](#)




# WHO website

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World Health Organization

Home Publications Journals


## Journals and series




**African Health Monitor**




**Bulletin of World Health Organization**




**Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal**




**Pan American Journal of Public Health**




**Public Health Panorama**




**Weekly Epidemiological Record**



**Western Pacific Surveillance and Response**



**WHO Drug Information**



**WHO South-East Asia Journal of Public Health**

# WHO website: The Bulletin of the World Health Organization



- A **fully open-access** journal of public health with a special focus on low and middle-income countries, first published in 1948.
- There are **no article-processing charges** associated with submitting to, or publishing in the *Bulletin*.
- All peer-reviewed articles and the journal archives are indexed, including in the Web of Science and MEDLINE, and are freely available under the Creative Commons Attribution 3.0 IGO license (CC BY 3.0 IGO).



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Global Regions

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All countries

A B C D E F G H I J  
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Regions

Africa  
Americas  
Europe  
Eastern Mediterranean  
South-East Asia  
Western Pacific

WHO In countries

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## All news

News releases

Statements

Campaigns

Events

Feature stories

Press conferences

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Commentaries

Photo library

## Headlines

WHO urges rapid access to mpox diagnostic tests, invites manufacturers to emergency review

29 August 2024 | News release

WHO and International Paralympic Committee team up to highlight power of assistive technology at Paris 2024 Paralympics

28 August 2024 | News release

Fourteen African countries, key partners unite to provide critical resources for health in WHO's first-ever Investment Round

27 August 2024 | News release

WHO announces highest level of alert for mpox

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## Focus on

- Afghanistan
- Cholera
- Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)
- Greater Horn of Africa
- Israel and occupied Palestinian territory
- Sudan
- Ukraine

## Latest

- Disease Outbreak News
- Situation reports
- Weekly Epidemiological Record

## WHO in emergencies

- Surveillance
- Operations
- Research
- Funding
- Partners
- Health emergency appeal
- International Health Regulations
- Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee

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Data at WHO	Dashboards	Highlights	Reports
Classifications	COVID-19	SCORE	World Health Statistics
Data collections	Health Inequality Monitor		
Global Health Observatory	Global Progress		
Global Health Estimates			
Mortality Database			
Sustainable Development Goals			

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## The Global Health Observatory



### THE GLOBAL HEALTH OBSERVATORY

Explore a world of health data

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### Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) data

Data on the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic is currently available directly from these sources.

Please note that the GHO APIs do not currently provide COVID-19 data. A data extract from the WHO Situation dashboard is available from UNOCHA's [Humanitarian Data Exchange \(HDX\)](#) platform. This content is provided as a set of regularly updated CSV files.



#### Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Situation dashboard

This interactive dashboard/map provides the latest global numbers and numbers by country of COVID-19 cases on a daily basis.




#### Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Situation reports

This report archive provides the latest available global data and an overview of the current situation.
































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## The Global Health Observatory

Search the theme you are interested in 

enter keywords here to simplify list of themes

 Air pollution	 Antimicrobial resistance (AMR)	 Assistive technology	 Child mortality
 Environment and health	Foodborne Diseases Estimates	 Global Dementia Observatory (GDO)	 Global Health Estimates: Life expectancy and leading causes of death and disability
 Global Information System on Alcohol and Health	Global Patient Safety Observatory	Health financing	 Health Inequality Monitor
Health taxes	 Health workforce	Hepatitis	 HIV
 Immunization coverage and vaccine-preventable diseases	 International Health Regulations (2005) monitoring framework	 Malaria	 Maternal and reproductive health
 Mental health	 Neglected tropical diseases	 Noncommunicable diseases	 Nutrition
 Oral Health	 Resources for Substance Use Disorders	 Road Safety	 SDG Target 3.8   Achieve universal health coverage (UHC)
 Sexually Transmitted Infections	 Sustainable Development Goals	 Tobacco control	 Tuberculosis
 Vaccine-preventable communicable diseases	 Violence prevention	 Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH)	 World Health Statistics

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### Featured portals



#### Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health and Ageing

In this portal you will find the most up-to-date global health data, including regional and country data organized separately in the areas of maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health. The data can be visualized on charts and maps which you can download.



#### Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016-2030)

This data portal for the Every Woman Every Child (EWEC) Global Strategy is a collaborative product of the 163 signatories (UNWFP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN Women, WHO and the World Bank Group) and other UN and technical partners supporting the monitoring of the EWEC Global Strategy and related SDG targets.



#### Global Observatory on Health R&D

This is a generalist and comprehensive source of information and analysis on global health R&D activities. The Observatory monitors various health R&D-related data and interprets these in comprehensive analyses, with interactive visualizations to help users track and investigate the development in health R&D across many dimensions. The Observatory will help governments, policy-makers, funders and researchers identify health R&D priorities based on public health needs and ensure that funds and resources are used to fill R&D gaps.



#### Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Policy Portal

The SRHR portal is a visual summary of policies and practices from 125 countries on 6 SDG thematic areas: Infertility, Family Planning, Violence Against Women, Cervical Cancer, STIs, and Sexual Health. The data presented was obtained in a global survey conducted in 2016.

### Featured data sets

### Search sets and collections →



#### Global health estimates

The latest available data on causes of death and disability globally, by WHO region and country, by age, sex and by income group.



#### Mortality database

A platform for analyzing mortality data by country, year, age, sex and cause of death as reported by countries.



#### Health SDGs

The health-related Sustainable Development Goals track progress towards ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all at all ages.



#### Mortality due to unsafe abortion

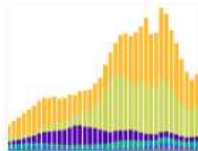
Unsafe abortion occurs when a pregnancy is terminated either by persons lacking the necessary skills/information or in an environment that does not conform to minimal medical standards, or both.



#### Immunization data

Download, visualize, and interact with global, regional and country summaries of immunization data over time.

### Featured dashboards



#### COVID-19 situation dashboard

Provides the latest data on overall confirmed cases and fatalities as well as cases by country and compares by WHO region.



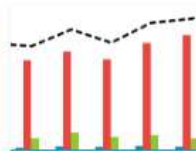
#### Triple Billion dashboard

Tracks the progress of WHO countries, regions and partners towards meeting the Triple Billion targets and health-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



#### WHO Health Equity Monitor

The WHO Health Equity Monitor provides evidence on existing health inequalities and measures available to address and resources for health equity reporting.



#### WHO Mortality dashboard

The latest available data on causes of death and disability globally, by WHO region and country, by age, sex and by income group.

### About

[About Global Health Observatory](#)

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## About WHO

- Partnerships
- Committees and advisory groups
- Collaborating centres
- Technical teams
- Organizational structure
- Who we are

## Our work

- Activities
- Initiatives
- General Programme of Work
- WHO Academy

## Funding

- Investment in WHO
- WHO Foundation

## Accountability

- External audit
- Financial statements
- Internal audit and investigations
- Programme Budget
- Results reports

## Governance

- Governing bodies
- World Health Assembly
- Executive Board
- Member States Portal

Universal Health Coverage

Health Emergencies

Health and Well-Being

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## Regions

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[Americas](#)  
[Eastern Mediterranean](#)  
[Europe](#)  
[South-East Asia](#)  
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## Policies

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# WHO Library

<https://www.who.int/library>



- The world's leading library on public health.
- It provides access to knowledge from WHO as well as to other sources of scientific literature produced around the world.
- WHO library resources and expertise provide scientific evidence and knowledge to low- and middle- income countries through a set of low-cost/high-use initiatives.

# WHO Library initiatives

## WHO Library initiatives



### **Institutional Repository for Information Sharing (IRIS)**

IRIS is the digital library of WHO's published material and technical information in full text produced since 1948. Its content is freely accessible and searchable in the six official languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian & Spanish).



### **Global Index Medicus**

The Global Index Medicus (GIM) provides universal access to biomedical and public health literature produced by and within low- and middle-income countries.



### **Research4Life**

Research4Life provides institutions in lower income countries with online access to academic and professional peer-reviewed content. We aim to improve teaching, research and policy-making in health, agriculture, the environment and other life, physical and social sciences.

- **Institutional Repository for Information Sharing (IRIS)** <https://iris.who.int/>
- **Global Index Medicus** <https://www.globalindexmedicus.net/>
- **Research4Life** <https://www.research4life.org/>

# WHO Library: Useful links

## Useful links



### Publications

Browse WHO's publications



### WHO Internships

We encourage participation – get involved in our programmes as an intern!



### WHOLIS: WHO Geneva Library print catalogue

All library collections in print are included in an unified database



### Search strategies

A repository of search strategies developed for use in systematic reviews.



## WHO Regional Office Libraries

- [WHO African Region \(AFRO\)](#) >
- [WHO Region of the Americas \(AMRO/PAHO\)](#) >
- [WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region \(EMRO\)](#) >
- [WHO European Region \(EURO\)](#) >
- [WHO South-East Asia Region \(SEARO\)](#) >
- [WHO Western Pacific Region \(WPRO\)](#) >



# Institutional Repository for Information Sharing (IRIS)



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Search IRIS

Search

- Accessible from: <https://iris.who.int/>
  - Digital library of WHO's published material and technical information in full text produced since 1948
  - Freely accessible and searchable content in the six official languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian & Spanish)
  - Information can be browsed by communities & collections, issue date, authors, titles, subjects, countries or the most popular subject
- **Watch the following video guides:**
    1. [New IRIS interface – quick tour](#) (1:13 mins)
    2. [How to search in IRIS - quick tour](#) (2.28 mins)

# Institutional Repository for Information Sharing (IRIS)

<https://iris.who.int/>



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## DISCOVER

**Author**

[World Health Organization \(57589\)](#)

[World Health Organization. Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean \(10727\)](#)

## Latest Available Publications



[WHO South-East Asia Regional status report on road safety: Towards safer and sustainable mobility](#)

World Health Organization. Regional Office for South-East Asia (Publication Date: 2024, Accepted: 2024-09-02, Available Online: 2024-09-02)



[Member State Consultation on the Draft Regional Action Framework on Digital Health in the Western Pacific, Manila, Philippines, 18-19 March 2024: meeting report](#)

World Health Organization. Regional Office for the Western Pacific (Publication Date: 2024, Accepted: 2024-09-02, Available Online: 2024-09-02)

# Global Index Medicus (GIM)

<https://www.globalindexmedicus.net/>



- Provides universal access to biomedical and public health literature produced by and within low- and middle-income countries.
- **Main objective is to increase the visibility and usability of these resources.**
- **Material is collated and aggregated by WHO Regional Office Libraries on a central search platform allowing retrieval of bibliographical and full text information.**

[Read the GIM search quick guide](#)

# Global Index Medicus (GIM)

<https://www.globalindexmedicus.net/>

- All information from the Regions can be found in the same [search interface](#).
- Also possible to access them individually from the Regional Indexes Medici:
  - [African Index Medicus \(AIM\)](#)
  - [Index Medicus for the Eastern Mediterranean Region \(IMEMR\)](#)
  - [Index Medicus for the South-East Asia Region \(IMSEAR\)](#)
  - [Latin America and the Caribbean Literature on Health Sciences \(LILACS\)](#)
  - [Western Pacific Region Index Medicus \(WPRO\)](#)



# Global Index Medicus (GIM)

<https://www.globalindexmedicus.net/>

- More than 1.9 million of documents available in all Regional Indexes Medici together, of which more than 1 million have full text access.

## Regional Indexes Medici



African Index Medicus (AIM)

More than 18.000 bibliographic references  
from 258 scientific journals



Index Medicus for the Eastern  
Mediterranean Region (IMEMR)

More than 272.785 bibliographic references  
from 880 scientific journals



Index Medicus for the South-East  
Asia Region (IMSEAR)

More than 187.000 bibliographic references  
from 49 scientific journals



Latin America and the Caribbean  
Literature on Health Sciences  
(LILACS)

More than 914.000 bibliographic references  
from more than 800 scientific journals



Western Pacific Region Index Medicus  
(WPRO)

More than 776.000 bibliographic references  
from 678 scientific journals

# Global Index Medicus (GIM)

<https://www.globalindexmedicus.net/>

- Menu: search by title, author or subject

The screenshot displays the homepage of the Global Index Medicus (GIM) website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Main content', 'Menu', 'Search', and 'Footer'. To the right of this bar are accessibility options: '+A', 'A', '-A', and 'High contrast'. Below the navigation bar is the World Health Organization logo and the text 'World Health Organization'. To the right of the logo, there are language options: 'العربية', '中文(中国)', 'English', 'français', 'Pycckий', 'Español', and 'Português'. The main heading 'Global Index Medicus' is prominently displayed. Below this, there is a secondary navigation bar with links for 'Home', 'Scientific and Technical Literature', 'About GIM', and 'Promotional Material'. To the right of this bar are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube. The main content area features a large image of hands using a tablet displaying a bar chart. Overlaid on this image is a blue banner that reads 'More than 2 million of bibliographic records on health sciences'. Below the banner is a search interface with a dropdown menu for 'All indexes' (with options for Title, Author, and Subject) and another dropdown for 'All Information Sources'. To the right of these dropdowns is the text 'Search by DeCS/MeSH descriptors'. At the bottom of the search interface is a search input field with the placeholder text 'Enter what you are looking for' and a search button.

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- Menu: search by information sources

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# Research4Life

<https://www.research4life.org/>



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Academic and professional content for the developing world

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# Accessing Research4Life

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- Only institutions are eligible to register for access; individuals are not.
- An academic, government or research institution in a low- and middle-income country may be eligible to join Research4Life.
- Learn more about the [Eligibility for access to Research4Life](#) and the [Eligibility criteria](#).
- Learn [how to search the Research4Life Unified Content Portal](#).
- [Using Research4Life and the wider scholarly communications landscape](#).
- Quick videos: [Introduction to Research4Life](#), [New Research4Life Portal | Getting started](#), [How to register to Research4Life](#).

# WHOLIS: WHO Geneva Library print catalogue

<https://kohahq.searo.who.int/>

- Contains all library collections in print in a unified database.

The screenshot displays the WHO Library Catalog website. At the top, there is a blue navigation bar with links for 'Cart', 'Lists', 'Log in with Azure', 'Search history', and a 'Clear' button. Below this is the WHO logo and the title 'WHO Library Catalog'. A secondary navigation bar contains links for 'Home', 'About Us', 'Online Database', 'More Resources', 'WHO Library Homepage', and 'Contact Us'. The main search area features a search bar with a dropdown menu currently set to 'Library catalog' and a green 'Go' button. A secondary search bar below it includes options for 'Advanced search', 'Tag cloud', 'Most popular', and 'Library'. A dropdown menu is open over the search bar, listing search criteria: 'Library catalog', 'Title', 'Author', 'Subject', 'ISBN', 'ISSN', 'Series', and 'Call number'. The main content area has a blue header 'Library and Digital Information Networks' and a paragraph of text: 'The WHO is the leading library on public health. It provides access to knowledge from WHO as well as to scientific literature produced around the world. WHO Library resources and expertise provide evidence and knowledge to low- and middle- income countries through a set of low-cost, high-quality resources.' At the bottom, there are buttons for 'New Arrivals' and 'Top-Circulating Books'.

# WHO Regional office libraries

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- [WHO European Region \(EURO\)](#)
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- [WHO Western Pacific Region \(WPRO\)](#)

# Other information sources

- [BIGG](#) – International database of GRADE guidelines
- [Epistemonikos](#) – Combines the best of Evidence-Based Health Care, information technologies and a network of experts to provide a unique tool for people making decisions concerning clinical or health-policy questions
- [Hinari](#) – Access to Research for Health programme
- [PAHO IRIS](#) – Institutional Repository of PAHO/WHO
- [Pubmed](#) – Comprises more than 29 million citations for biomedical literature from MEDLINE, life science journals, and online books. Citations may include links to full-text content from PubMed Central and publisher web sites.
- [RedETSA/BRISA](#) – Regional Base of Health Technology Assessment Reports of the Americas
- [SciELO](#) – Scientific Electronic Library Online.
- [Virtual Health Library \(VHL\)](#) – A model, strategy, and operational platform for information management, coordinated and promoted by the Latin American and Caribbean Center on Health Sciences Information (BIREME/PAHO/WHO).
- [WHO video channel](#)



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- You can also use the WHO Library  
research/information request form available at:  
[https://extranet.who.int/dataformv3/index.php/282679  
?lang=en](https://extranet.who.int/dataformv3/index.php/282679?lang=en)



# Thank you!

