

Ontolica Search Tips

Search Tip

Example

Ontolica supports the use of partial words at the beginning of a search string by using the **wildcard** (*) character at the end of the string.

When searching for **"nor*"**, you will obtain results including **"Norcross"**, **"north"**, **"normal"**, etc.

Slightly different than wildcard searches, name-**stemming** searches are supported also (must be enabled). The search tool will automatically append common word suffixes on to your search terms.

A search on **"time"** will provide results including **"time"**, **"timing"**, **"times"**, **"timer"**, and **"timed"**. If you wish only to search for **"time"**, make sure to enclose it in quotation marks (details below).

The use of **"AND"** is supported.

When searching for **"Norcross AND bottle"**, all results returned must contain BOTH the term **"Norcross"** as well as the term **"bottle"**.

The use of **"OR"** is supported.

When searching for **"bottle OR tube"**, results will include items containing **"bottle"**, **"tube"**, or both **"bottle"** and **"tube"**.

The use of **"NOT"** is supported.

When searching for **"bottle NOT catalog"**, all results returned must contain the term **"bottle"**, but never should contain **"catalog"**.

The use of the **"NEAR"** operator is supported.

When searching for **"oil NEAR nuclear"**, all results returned will contain **"oil"** within 50 words or **"nuclear"**.

The use of quotation marks ("") for designating exact search phrases is supported.

The string **"2009 financial report"** will return all items that contain the exact phrase **"2009 financial report"**.

The use of parenthesis () for grouping search terms is supported.

The string **"(bottle OR tube) AND drawing"** will return all results containing **"drawing"** so long as they also contain **"bottle"** or **"tube"** terms as well.

If you know the field of data you're searching on, you can specify it in your search string.

The query **"author=rick jones"** will only return documents authored by **"Rick Jones"**. Also, **"filetype=pdf"** will only return PDF-type files.

The use of the **":"** (contains) operator is supported.

The query **"author:rick"** will return all documents for which the author field contains **"rick"**. This may return both **"Rick Jones"** and **"Rick Noble"**. Also, **"filetype:pdf"** will return all files that contain PDF-type files.

Any combination of the above search tools is supported.

The query **"plant AND filetype=pdf"** will only return PDF documents containing the term **"plant"**. Also **"instru* AND (author=rick OR author=matt)"** will return all items containing the term **"instructions"** authored by Matt or Rick.



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