

The background of the slide features a close-up photograph of a white ceramic coffee cup filled with dark coffee, sitting on a wooden desk. In the foreground, a spiral-bound notebook with a light blue cover is open, and a bright cyan pen lies across its pages. A laptop is partially visible in the background, slightly out of focus.

# Pubmed: a first encounter

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- Get to know Pubmed and discover its usefulness for scientific research
- Know how to create an account and make use of it

Free resource supporting the search and retrieval of biomedical and life sciences literature

# Main advantages of Pubmed

- It is a huge, reliable, free and highly trusted resource
- It is specific to medicine and health
- Works based on a controlled vocabulary the MeSH (Medical Subject Headings)
- A basic search will search for your terms both
  - as keywords and also
  - as they match to MeSH terms

# Main advantages of Pubmed

- Contains a
  - Search Builder
  - Search History
- Build and carry out complex searches, including searches using MeSH Terms
- Free account with more features and possibilities

# Let's go and take a look!

The screenshot shows the PubMed.gov homepage. At the top left is the NIH logo and the text "National Library of Medicine National Center for Biotechnology Information". At the top right is a "Log in" button. The main heading is "PubMed.gov". Below it is a search bar with the placeholder text "Search PubMed" and a green "Search" button. Under the search bar, it says "Advanced". A paragraph of text reads: "PubMed® comprises more than 30 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."



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# Thank you !

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To quote or to paraphrase, that is the question !

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