

## Progress Report 1: Secondary and Tertiary Monograph Literature

### Due Class Time Session 3

As you begin this research project, you need to assess the background literature and develop a firm grasp of the relevant vocabulary, scientists and developments. This worksheet will guide you through the process of identifying useful background literature.

\*Research Topic:

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\*Major Concepts:

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\*Keywords:  
(Synonyms)

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Conduct *Keyword* searches using the terms above in CONSORT/OhioLINK.

"Steal" the relevant *Subject Headings* from your Keyword searches in CONSORT/OhioLINK.

\*Relevant Library of Congress Subject Headings:  
(Controlled Vocabulary)

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\*Relevant Call Number Range(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Attach printed records for 5 secondary/tertiary sources.

Assess your current research topic. Is it "doable?"

If you're finding too many hits, your topic may be too broad. Consider several possible subtopics or ways to narrow your topic (i.e. focus on a specific compound or experimental method):

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If you're having trouble finding relevant background sources, your topic *may* be too narrow (or it may be an area of very recent development). You may want to widen your topic by searching for more traditional research areas or applications. Consider way to broaden the scope of your research topic:

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Also, think of a new angle or a related area of interest, in case you need a new approach:

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