



Aldosteronism

Whether you are searching for information about aldosteronism on ValCat, FirstSearch, InfoTrac, or on the World Wide Web, here are some key terms and words that you may want to use.

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Hyperaldosteronism (some sources use aldosteronism and hyperaldosteronism interchangeably).

Locating Information in Books

There are not many books devoted to just aldosteronism. However, there are books about medical and endocrine disorders/diseases that will contain information about topics such as aldosteronism.

- **Use the index** in the back of each of these books in order to find information about specific disorders/medical conditions, such as aldosteronism.

The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy - Reference RC 55 .M4 2006. Look on pages 1214 - 1216. An online version of ***The Merck Manual*** is available at:
<http://www.merck.com/mrkshared/mmanual/home.jsp>

Current: Medical Diagnosis and Treatment - Reference R 71 .A14. Look on pages 1126 - 1127 for hyperaldosteronism.

Encyclopedia of Endocrine Diseases and Disorders.

Reference RC 649 .P48 2005. Pages 17 and 18 offer a summary of aldosteronism.

Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine - Reference RC 46 .H333. Information starts on page 2138.

Online Reference Books:

Gale Encyclopedia of Medicine is a reference book that is accessed through [InfoTrac's Health Reference Center Academic](#). After obtaining the results, click on the "Books" tab.

For OFF-Campus access, use your Delta username and password. For help, please call the Reference Desk at (989) 686-9560.

Locating Information in Periodicals

Search the following online databases/indexes to locate **journal** articles (electronic format) on your topic:

[InfoTrac](#) is available from the [Delta Library website \(Journals and Magazines\)](#), either on campus or remotely with password. **For OFF-Campus access, use your Delta username and password. For help, please call the Reference Desk at (989) 686-9560.**

[Medline](#), within **FirstSearch**, is a medical database (index) that will lead you to a few scholarly articles about hyperaldosteronism. You can click on the this [Medline](#) link, or go to the [Delta Library Website \(Journals and Magazines\)](#), either on campus or remotely with authorization code and password. **For OFF-Campus access, use your Delta username and password. For help, please call the Reference Desk at (989) 686-9560.**

Once you see the main search screen for Medline:

1. Type **hyperaldosteronism** within the white search box next to "Search for:"
2. Before clicking on the "Search" button, you need to make a choice:
 - Most people want to see the full-text of the article on the computer. To do this, click within the white box next to "Limit to:" and "Full text."
 - If there are not many full-text articles, the next choice would be to find journals that are located within Delta Library. Click within the white box next to "Subscriptions held by my library (EDK, DELTA COL LIBR)."
NOTE: Please do NOT click both boxes at the same time.
 - If you do not check either box, you will get A LOT of articles that are suppose to contain the word "hyperaldosteronism." Many of these may not be what you want and most will not be located at Delta College Library. However, you can interlibrary loan, for free, articles that look like they may help. The interlibrary loan process takes, at least, two weeks or more.
3. Once you decide on which box to check or not check, click on the "Search" button.
4. You will be presented with a list of citations for journal articles that should have something to do with hyperaldersonism/aldosteronism. **NOTE: MOST**, but not all, are scholarly articles in Medline.

[PubMed](#) is a service of the National Library of Medicine, that provides access to over 11 million MEDLINE citations back to the mid-1960's and additional life science journals. PubMed also links to sites with full-text articles and resources.

TIP: PubMed offers a link to "limit" your search. By clicking on "Limits", you can limit the search to free full-text (entire article) and you can limit to articles presented in **English**.

Here are some examples of scholarly journal articles that can be found in peer-reviewed journals by using indexes such as Medline (FirstSearch), InfoTrac, and PubMed:

Foo, R., O' Shaughnessy, K. M., Brown, M. J. (2001). Hyperaldosteronism: recent concepts, diagnosis, and management. *Postgraduate Medical Journal*, 77 (912), 639-644.

(This is a scholarly journal article from "*Postgraduate Medical Journal*" which is a peer-reviewed (refereed) journal. This article is **NOT** a "research" article **but** it does give a very good overview of Hyperaldosteronism, including case reports. The **full text** of this article can be found in **InfoTrac Health Reference Academic**).

Ganguly, A. (1998). Primary aldosteronism. *New England Journal of Medicine*, 339 (25), 1828-34.

(This is a scholarly journal article from "*Postgraduate Medical Journal*" which is a peer-reviewed (refereed) journal. This article is **NOT** a "research" article **but** it does give a very good "review" of Primary Aldosteronism. The December 17, 1998 issue of the **New England Journal of Medicine** is on the periodical shelves).

Mosso, L., Carvajal, C., Gonzalez, A., Barraza, A., Avila, F., Montero, J., Huete, A., Gederlini, A., Fardella, D. E. (2003). Primary Aldosteronism and Hypertensive Disease. *Hypertension*, 42 (2), 161-5.

(This **IS** a **scholarly research study (article)** from "*Hypertension*" which is a peer-reviewed (refereed) journal. "The aim of this study was to evaluate the prevalence of PA and to relate this to a clinical profile of hypertensive disease." This publication is **not** within Delta Library but the article can be retrieved through **PubMed**).

Seiler, L., Rump, L. C., Schulte-Monting, J., Slawik, M., Borm, K., Pavenstadt, H., Beuschlein, F., Reinke, M. (2004). Diagnosis of primary aldosteronism: value of different screening parameters and influence of antihypertensive medication. *European Journal of Endocrinology*, 150, 329-337.

(This **IS** a **scholarly research study (article)** from "*European Journal of Endocrinology*" which is a peer-reviewed (refereed) journal. "The aim of this **study** was to evaluate the utility of different screening techniques for primary aldosteronism." This publication is **not** within Delta Library but the article can be retrieved through **PubMed**).

Locating Information on the World Wide Web

The Mayo Clinic provides the following information about Primary Aldosteronism:
<http://www.mayoclinic.com/health/primary-aldosteronism/DS00563>

MedlinePlus Medical Encyclopedia: Hyperaldosteronism - primary and secondary.
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/000330.htm>

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