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BRR 100 Great Experiments in Bioresource Research

Fall 2025

Library Assignment Part II – (complete in class today or turn in at the start of the next BRR 100 class session on Nov. 7). This assignment is worth **15 points**.

NAME: _____

Use your topic from Library Assignment Part 1

1. Select an appropriate database to use for finding scholarly journal articles on your topic.

(1/1) Name of Database: _____

a. (1/1) Write down the keywords you used for your search (make sure to use at least 2-3)

b. Select **2 scholarly articles** from your results list. Correctly **cite these two articles** using either APA, Chicago, or Nature style (see the library guide). Use the same citation style for all articles. Copy and paste the **abstract** of the article below the citation.

(3/3) – 1 point – citation style, 1 point per scholarly article (up to 2)

2. Repeat your search in **another appropriate database** that you have not used before or that you are less familiar with.

(1/1) Name of Database: _____

a. (1/1) Write down the keywords you used for your search (make sure to use at least 2-3)

- b. Select **2 new scholarly articles** from your results list (different from the previous database). Correctly **cite these two articles** using the same citation style you chose in 1b. Copy and paste in the **abstract** of the article below the citation.

(3/3) – 1 point – citation style, 1 point per scholarly article (up to 2)

3. Make some notes to compare and contrast these two databases in terms of the search interface and your search results. **Make 3-4 points** using sentences in a paragraph based on the following questions or anything else you notice.

Comparing and Contrasting Databases

- a. Did you need to adjust your keywords for the different databases? If so, how?
- b. Were there more or less references in your results between the 2 databases? Why might this be?
- c. What types of publications appeared in your list of results (compare & contrast the 2 databases)?
- d. What time period did results for your search in the two database searches span?
- e. Could you figure out how to use the database(s) to save or email articles to yourself?

1 point per point made (up to 3), 1 point used sentences, 1 point compared/contrasted