FSTA° on Web of Science

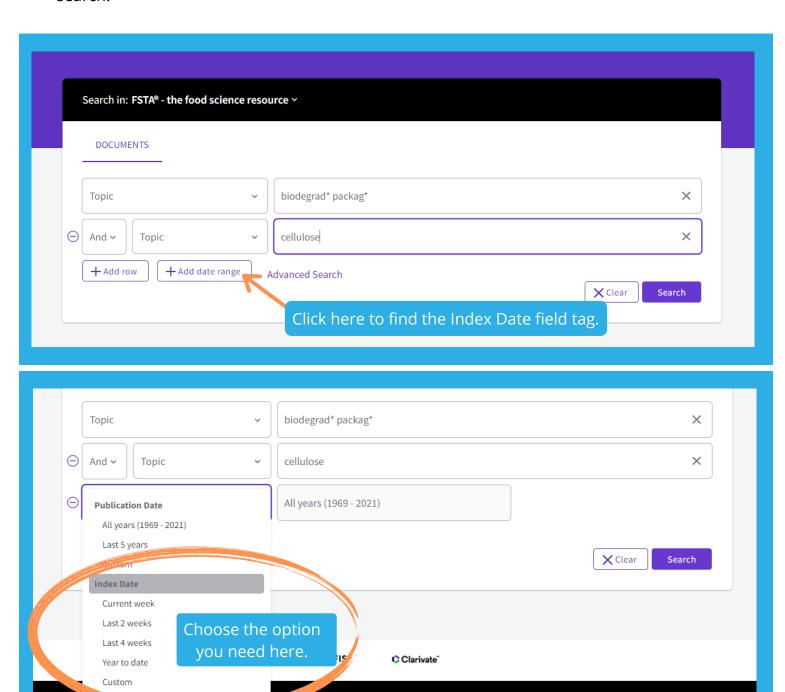


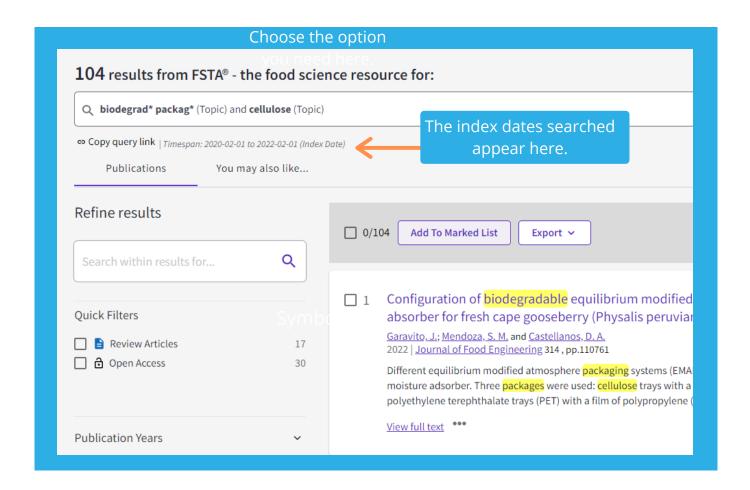
QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE: UPDATING SEARCHES

Index Date

The search field Index Date allows you to search records that have been added to FSTA within a specified date range.

Adding Index Date to your search lets you see the new literature added to FSTA since the last time you ran it. Use it to update a systematic review or any other comprehensive search.





Why use Index Date rather than Publication Date?

Index Date searches when the record was added to FSTA. **Publication Date** searches by the publication date on the article. These dates do not always align.

- It is a peculiarity of publishing that articles are frequently released months before their stated publication date. When this happens, the articles are indexed (added to the database) earlier than their publication date.
- Sometimes articles are added to the database later than their stated publication date.
 This can happen when a new journal title is added to FSTA* and its back issues are
 indexed along with the most current articles. It also happens when a publisher releases
 material after the publication date.



^{*} Or any other database