

# **Agreement Overview**



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#### Available to purchase until 30/09/2028

CAS builds the world's largest collection of human-curated scientific knowledge covering over 150 years of published science. Their tools are designed using specialised technology and scientific expertise to address challenges, support studies and accelerate research. Both the CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform and CAS BioFinder Discovery Platform are available to UK academic institutions through Chest.

## **Key Facts**

This is a non-standard Jisc Agreement on the Chest platform for CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform, with CAS BioFinder Discovery Platform available as an optional add-on. It represents a long-standing educational consortium offering where Jisc oversees and distributes institutional pricing but orders are placed directly with CAS.

#### **Benefits**

- · Discounts from standard academic pricing
- · Low fixed annual price increases

#### **Important Dates**

Agreement start: 1 October 2025

Agreement end: 30 September 2028

#### Commitment Period

Institutions may participate in the Agreement at any time during its life, but shall be bound by its Terms and Conditions, including payments, until 30 September 2028.

#### Licence Type

Site licence

#### How to Participate

If your institution is interested in participating in this Agreement please contact Chest Help.

# **Product Information**

#### Supplier Details

Licensor: CAS, a division of the American Chemical Society, whose registered office is 2540 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, OH 43202.

#### **Product Description**

CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform - connect with the world's scientific knowledge and find the answers you need to advance your scientific research. Access journals and patents across multiple disciplines and identify chemical substances and structures, names, and properties, including CAS Registry Numbers®. In addition, take advantage of the included structure drawing tool, powerful visualisations, a retrosynthesis planner, bioactivity data, and more. With an easy-to-use search interface, get started quickly and complete your research tasks with confidence. In addition to SciFinder, the CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform allows access to CAS Analytical Methods, CAS Formulus, and ChemZent.

CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform contains:

- more than 64 million records from various literature sources across areas of science published globally in more than 50 languages dating back to the early 1800s
- · around 219 million organic substances, alloys, coordination compounds, minerals, mixtures, polymers and salts
- around 75 million protein and nucleic acid sequences
- · around 8 billion experimental and predicted property data points and spectra
- over 150 million single- and multi-step reactions published since 1840
- life science content including SAR, ADME data, toxicity values, bioactivity observations, and pharmacological data for therapeutic invention
- consolidated listings for millions of chemical products from global suppliers
- · regulatory lists, formulations, and more including MEDLINE

For more information on content, please visit:

- CAS References
- CAS Patents
- CAS Registry
- CAS Reactions
- CAS Life Sciences
- CAS Formulations
- CAS Commercial Sources

Please also see Upcoming enhancements to CAS SciFinder which includes both information and links to associated webinars.

**CAS BioFinder Discovery Platform** - an optional add-on to the CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform. This platform brings together Life Sciences Data and solutions across drug discovery workflows for discovery biology and medicinal chemistry, and allows researchers to:

- explore connections between ligands, targets, biomarkers, and diseases
- run Al-enhanced predictive bioactivity models using data derived from existing literature
- · explore 3D protein models
- download bioactivity tables, ADME and toxicity data
- · perform structure-activity relationship studies with Matched Molecular Pair Analysis

CAS offer 60-day pilots for universities to trial the CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform and the CAS BioFinder Discovery Platform. During this period, they provide training and support sessions. If you are interested in arranging a pilot, please contact Rosie Gibson at rgibson@acs-i.org.

### SciFinder Accessibility Conformance Report (VPAT)

Contact EMEAhelp@cas.org to request a copy of the most recent SciFinder Accessibility Conformance Report (VPAT).

# Service and Support

## Trials

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### Training and Support

To ensure universities get the most out of their subscriptions, CAS is committed to supporting all scientists to use the platform efficiently and effectively. As such they offer training and specialised demonstrations at no additional cost which are:

- Tailored to different audiences e.g. undergraduates, postgraduates, 'Train the Trainer', research groups
- · Subject specific focused e.g. synthesis, polymers, environmental science, pharmaceutical sciences
- · Skill focused e.g. Patent searching, Writing your thesis, Job Hunting

CAS hold UK-wide webinars throughout the year but can also provide in-person or online sessions dedicated to your university.

Additionally, they offer the option for universities to access the SciFinder Discovery Platform through Single-Sign On (utilising the InCommon Identity Provider) and have a dedicated **Customer Centre** to support with issues, setup and search strategies. To request training, or setup of SSO, please reach out to your local contacts below.

#### Your local contacts:

Dr Rosie Gibson, Customer Success Manager, rgibson@acs-i.org



Dr Lee Walsh-Benn, Regional Manager Academia, Iwalsh@acs-i.org



- CAS Customer Centre support for product features, account enquiries, access, formulating search strategy and more
- General support: EMEAhelp@cas.org

# CAS SciFinder Autumn Training School

With the start of the academic year, CAS is excited to host a series of training webinars for the CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform. These free webinars ensure students, librarians, researchers and faculty can best utilise the upgraded platform across multiple scientific disciplines.

## Onboarding School (up until 16 October)

For those who are new to SciFinder, looking to refresh the basics, or want guidance on using the new upgraded features, CAS are offering two types of introductory webinar:

- Make CAS SciFinder your Chemistry studies companion: For students and staff in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Learn how to perform basic searches for references, substance structures, chemical properties, spectra and more
- Make CAS SciFinder your Scientific studies companion: For students and staff in Life, Pharmaceutical, Environmental, Health and Medical Sciences

Learn how to navigate literature and explore substances across these disciplines

Please register for your session and time slot of choice here.

#### **Advanced School**

For more advanced training, there are multiple webinars along with Q&A, test and certification. The CAS Advanced Training School offers the following sessions:

- · Session 1: Advanced reference searching, refining and exploration tools
- · Session 2: Advanced structure and reaction searching, with retrosynthetic analysis
- Session 3: Advanced IP searching, CAS Analytical Methods, and CAS Formulus

Please register for your sessions and time slots of choice here.

Any questions or requests for additional support? Please reach out to Rosie Gibson (rgibson@acs-i.org).

## **Useful Resources**

## The Future of CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform Webinar

Click on the image below to see the slide deck from the webinar held on 5 June 2025:



- · Academic Key Contact Resource Centre for promotional materials, training information and FAQs
- CAS Common Chemistry open community resource for accessing chemical information
- CAS Chemical Safety Library free database of hazardous reaction information
- CAS Source Index (CASSI) Search Tool resource to support researchers and librarians requiring accurate bibliographic information
- CAS YouTube channel training videos and demonstration workflows for CAS platforms, as well as information about CAS offerings
  including CAS Future Leaders
- CAS Insights articles revealing unique connections and perspectives for science, technology and innovation
- CAS Webinars upcoming and on-demand webinars on platform updates, scientific topics and emerging trends

# **Terms and Conditions**

The terms and conditions under this licence are **not** Chest standard terms and conditions. Institutions are strongly advised to read **CAS's Academic User Terms of Use** carefully for both CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform and CAS BioFinder Discovery Platform.

Pay particular attention to use and security issues, with the main one that use of the products for commercial research requires a separate licence.

# **Products and Pricing**

Jisc will provide participating institutions with Agreement information in confidence; it may not be disclosed or publicised to other people outside of Jisc degree-granting member institutions in the UK and the Republic of Ireland.

### **Pricing**

This is a non-standard Agreement so prices are not shown. Contact Chest Help to enquire about pricing and participating in this Agreement.

VAT: CAS SciFinder Discovery Platform and CAS BioFinder Discovery Platform will not be subject to VAT as invoicing will be carried out by CAS, USA.

### **Subscription Term**

#### **Product**

Subscription until 30 September 2028

Commercial in confidence

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