

# DIALINDEX®

## DialogLink 5

DIALINDEX (File 411) is a master index of all Dialog databases, categorized by subject, which enables you to identify databases that cover your search topic. DIALINDEX has been redesigned in DialogLink 5 to provide a new pop-up window with improved usability and sorting capabilities.

In this example, the search is run in the COATINGS OneSearch category. To begin, type **b 411** in the **Type-Ahead** buffer once you've logged on to Dialog. The **Begin** box is displayed.

1. Enter at least two file numbers or a OneSearch category, i.e. COATINGS, in the **Set Files** field.

**TIP:** Do not enter SF in the Set Files field or S in the Select field; Dialog adds them automatically for you.

2. Enter the terms on which you'd like to search. Click **Run Search**.

The screenshot shows a search interface with the following elements:

- Window title: **Begin 411**
- Buttons: **Expand**, **Run Search** (highlighted), **Select All**, **Select None**, **Begin Hits**
- Fields:
  - Set Files:** coatings
  - Select:** (antifoul? or hydrophob?) and (coating? or laminat?)

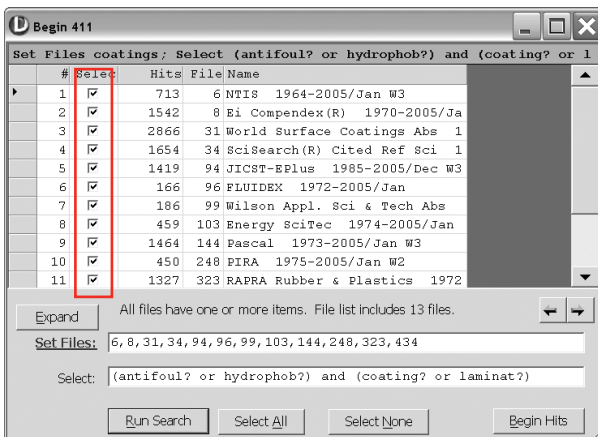
**TIP:** Click on the Set Files link to identify OneSearch categories.

The screenshot shows a web page with the following content:

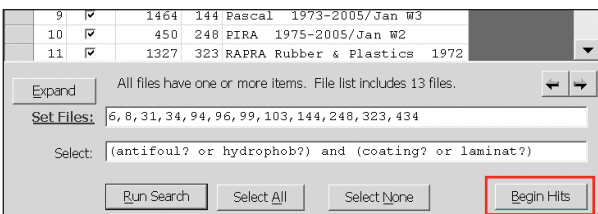
- Page title: **All Databases Databases by OneSearch Group**
- Text: **Last Loaded on Web: Monday, January 31, 2005**
- Text: **DIALOG, a service of The Dialog Corporation, has been serving users since 1972. With over 450 databases from a broad scope of disciplines, it is truly the one-stop service for all of your information needs.**
- Text: **Contained in the DIALOG information collection are millions of documents drawn from more sources than any other online service - from scientific and technical literature - from full-text trade journals, newspapers, and newswires. There's more too... details on millions of chemical substances, information on patents issued worldwide, demographic data, and company financial statistics. Compiled from the world's most respected and authoritative information sources, DIALOG databases can provide you instant answers from just one source.**
- Text: **This document provides a DIALINDEX/OneSearch category subject guide to the hundreds of databases on the DIALOG system. Each database has a hypertext link to a Bluesheet containing the details of the database structure.**
- Section: **OneSearch Groups:**
  - Advertising Company Directories [ADCO]
  - Adis Files [ADIS]
  - Advertising and Media Industry News [ADVERTBU]
  - Aerospace and Defense Industry [AEROBUS]
  - Aerospace [AEROSPAC]
  - Agence France Presse English Wires [AFFEW]
  - Agence France Presse French Wires [AFFFW]
  - Africa News Files [AFRICANE]

**3. Review how many records meeting your criteria each database offers and click the check box next to the databases you want to search.**

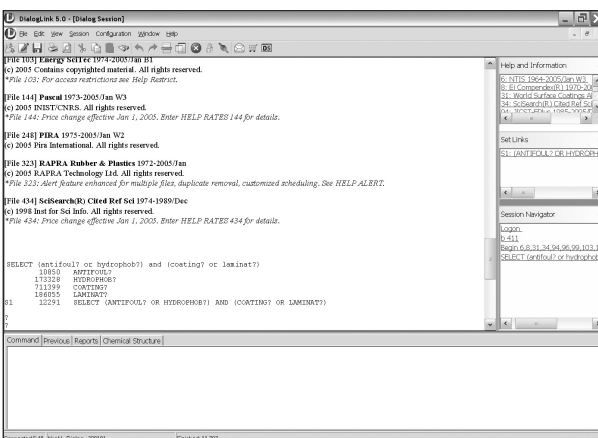
**TIP** Click the column heading to sort records by Number, Hits, File or Name. Click **None** to remove all check marks and select only the data-bases you want.



**4. Click Begin Hits. Your search is run in the selected databases.**



**5. Results are displayed in the Retrieve buffer.**



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