

Literature database for viticulture

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Information flyer of the JKI: Literature database for viticulture: VITIS-VEA

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**VITIS-VEA offers a user-friendly platform on the internet
with information about grapevine and wine.**

Which subject areas does the literature database VITIS-VEA cover?

- viticulture
- oenology
- grapevine breeding
- genetics
- plant protection and technology in viticulture
- grapevine physiology
- marketing
- related fields to the above subjects

What literature does VITIS-VEA contain?

- Literature entries of scientific articles from publications worldwide
- Full texts of the journal VITIS since the 1st issue of 1957
- Full texts of the "Bulletin de l'OIV", the International Organisation of Vine and Wine, as well as conferences of the OIV
- Full texts of open access articles
- German-language practice-related literature from 1994 onwards with German abstracts

Who is VITIS-VEA made for?

- Science (universities, institutes)
- Politics (ministries, associations)
- Practice (industry, wineries, winegrowers)

History of the database

The foundation for the literature database VITIS-VEA was laid as early as 1957: at that time, the first issue of the journal VITIS was published by the former Federal Research Institute for Grapevine Breeding Geilweilerhof. At the beginning of the 1960s, the journal expanded to include a documentation section due to the rapidly increasing number of publications in the field of viticulture in more than 100 different journals. In order to systematically organise the recorded literature, a controlled vocabulary was created with about 450 keywords and 700 reference words. A group of experts from all over the world reviewed each article and provided German and/or English summaries. All publications were then available in the form of index cards.

Literature data from 1969 onwards

All literature data from 1969 onwards were translated into English and digitised in the 1980s in cooperation with IFIS (International Food Information Service in Reading, Great Britain) and the former ZADI (Zentralstelle für Agrardokumentation und -information, Bonn). Thus, research via database providers has been possible since 1984.

Literature data since 1994

Starting in 1994 the database, which up to this date had addressed only the scientific community, also included articles of practical relevance to winegrowers from German-speaking countries. This database section exists only in German. Finally, the broad implementation of the internet opened up completely new possibilities: the VITIS-VEA database, which had previously been subject to a fee, has been available free of charge on the internet since 1998. Since 2019 the Julius Kühn-Institut (JKI) has presented the VITIS-VEA database with a modified user-friendly interface.