Filtering your CLOSER Discovery search by life stage

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Learn how to find variables from a similar life stage across different studies

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How do I...
- **find variables from a similar life stage across different studies?**
    - i.e. cross-study cross-sectional data
    - e.g., "asthma in early childhood across all studies".

Note that examples are illustrative. Content is continuously being added and improved.

Enter a search term (e.g., "**asthma**") in the **Search query** box.

asthma	Variables	⌄	🔍 Search

The dropdown indicates that you are searching for **Variables**. Press enter or click **Search**.

	Variables	⌄	🔍 Search

Variables
Questions

On the search results page, filter the **Life Stage** by selecting "**Early years**" and "**Childhood**". Click Filter.

Life Stage	Topic	Filter
Early years (20), Childhood (99) ⌄	None selected ⌄	

- ☐ Pregnancy, birth and infancy (41)
- ☑ Early years (20)
- ☑ Childhood (99)
- ☐ Adolescence (46)
- ☐ Early adulthood (47)

To see which studies return results, click on the **Study** filter. This shows the number of resulting variables for each study.

Study	Life Stage	Topic
None selected ⌄	Early years (20), Childhood (99) ⌄	None selected ⌄

- ☐ 1970 British Cohort Study (32)
- ☐ Avon Longitudinal Study of Parents and Children (128)
- ☐ Health and Employment After Fifty (0)
- ☐ Hertfordshire Cohort Study (1)
- ☐ Millennium Cohort Study (10)
- ☐ National Child Development Study (53)

The results show variables which have the search term (e.g., **asthma**) in the variable name, variable label, related question, or CLOSER topic (if there is one).

Variable **1P Ever had an asthma attack**

Study:	National Child Development Study
Sweep:	Age 7 Survey (1965)
Dataset:	NCDS1 Parental Questionnaire (1965) Dataset
Name:	N259

Variable **2 year:Wheezing**

Study:	Southampton Women's Survey
Sweep:	24 Months
Dataset:	24 Month Child Questionnaire Dataset
Name:	mwheeze

If you find variables that you are interested in, log in to add them to your list.

☑ **Add to list**

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CLOSER works to increase the visibility, use and impact of longitudinal population studies, data and research to ensure that longitudinal evidence is used to address the health, social, economic and environmental challenges facing the UK, now and in the future.

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