# PetDB Tutorial

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# **Getting Started**

You can create a query in PetDB by specifying one or more parameters. With each additional parameter, PetDB will retrieve the number of samples that possess the attributes chosen. To begin a query, click on the Build Query button on the left-hand menu.

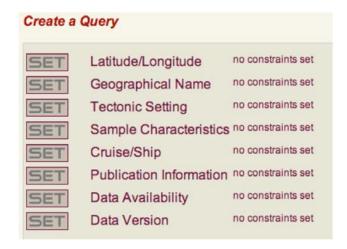


You can select samples using one or more query criteria. The more criteria you define, the more focused your sample selection will be.

Below is a description of each criterion you can define during sample selection and instructions on how to navigate the query interface. To learn how to download a dataset see the SELECTING CHEMICAL DATA AND DOWNLOADING OPTIONS chapter of in the Tutorial.

# **Querying by Location**

To query by location, you may specify any combination of geospatial coordinates (latitude/longitude), geographic name of a feature, and tectonic setting. Constrain the dataset further using other query buttons or proceed to the Data Selection page.



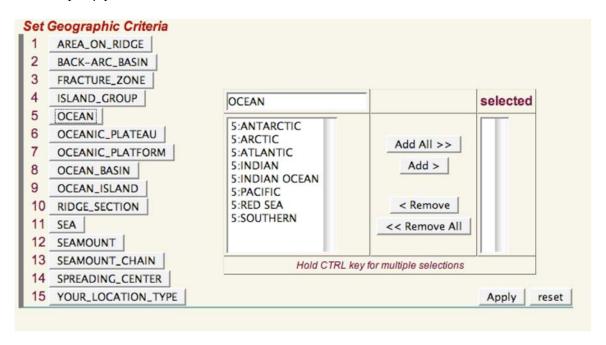
#### Latitude/Longitude

Enter latitude and/or longitude of the geographical area you are interested in. Enter the Northern and Southern bounding latitudes (latitudes on the southern hemisphere need to be entered as negative values, e.g.  $9.6^{\circ}S = -9.6$ ) and the Western and Eastern longitudes (Western longitudes need to be entered as negative values, e.g.  $112^{\circ}W = -112$ ). You can also select samples collected at a minimum or maximum depth or a specific depth range. All depths below sea level have to be entered as negative values.

# Geographical Name

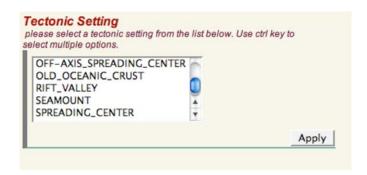
To query samples by the name of an area or by type of geographic feature, set the geographical name parameter. Geographical names are used on various regional scales ranging from names of oceans to the names of seamounts, platforms, and fracture zones.

- To highligh multiple names PC users must hold the CTRL key while clicking on the mouse button. Mac users can also make multiple selections by holding the command key.
- Click on 'Add' or 'Add All' to make your selection, then click 'Appy' to set the query parameter.



# Tectonic Setting

Use this criterion if to query samples from sea floor tectonic features such as 'Fracture Zones', 'Back-arc Basins', or 'Seamounts'.



To select multiple tectonic settings, hold the ctrl key if you use a PC or the command key if you use a Mac, then click 'Apply'.

# Sample Characteristics

The 'Sample Characterstics' parameter allows the user to define sample selection by:

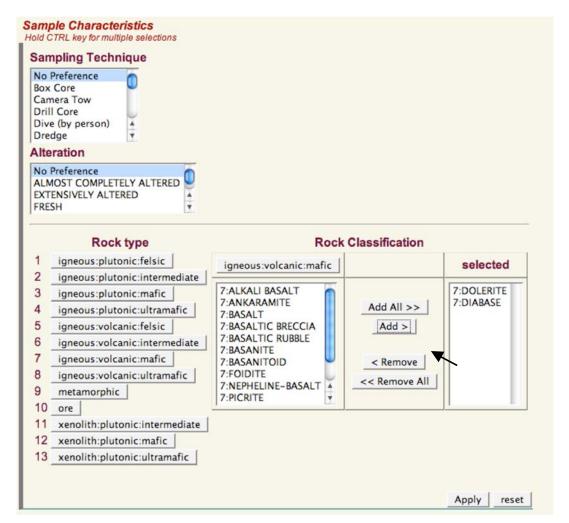
- Rock type (e.g. 'basaltic', 'ultramafic', 'mafic plutonic')
- Degree of alteration\*
- Sampling technique (e.g. 'dive', 'dredge').

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Clicking on a rock type will display a list rock classes in the selection box. Please note that "rock class" is based on classification information provided in the source publications and is NOT an interpretation of data by PetDB.

\*Note: Degree of alteration is not widely reported in the literature and therefore exists only for a small number of samples in PetDB. Selecting only 'fresh' samples will guarantee retrieval of data from fresh samples, but you may exclude data from fresh samples for which no alteration information was reported.

Constrain the dataset further using other query buttons or proceed to the Data Selection page.



# Querying by Data Sources, Availability, and Data Version

#### Publication Information

You can view and download data from a specific author and publication\* using the Publication Information query.

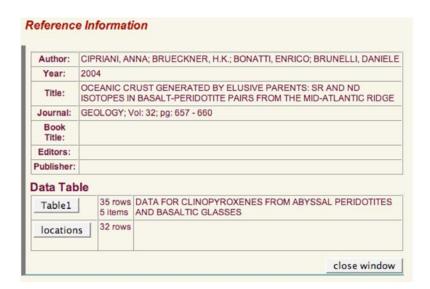
\*Note: The data tables contain only values that are original to the reference publication and which have not been reported in other publications. Referenced values can be found in the original publications in which the data appeared.

- Enter author, year, keyword, or journal information to retrieve all original data related to a publication.
- To select multiple authors, hold the ctrl key if you use a PC or the command key if you use a Mac.
- Submitting your query will retrieve a reference list. Click on 'data tables' once you locate the publication of interest in the list of references to view data a it is organized in the publication.

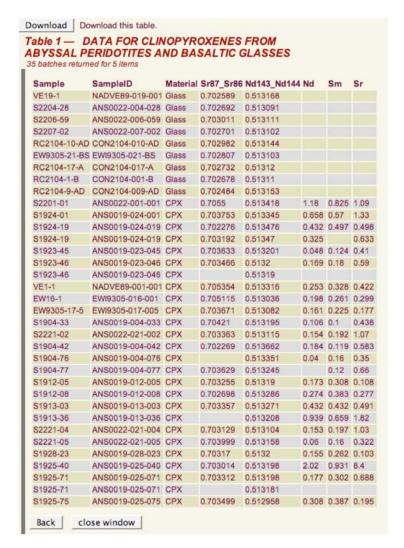
Select any or all the references and click 'APPLY'. Constrain the dataset further using other query buttons or proceed to the Data Selection page.



To view a list of tables associated with a publication click on 'data tables'.

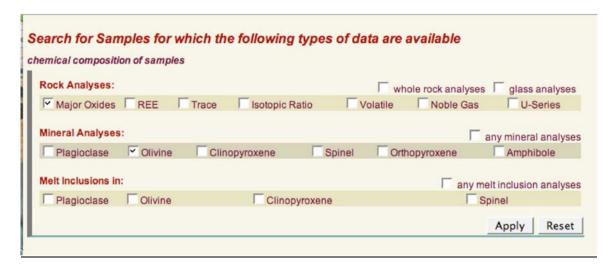


Clicking on a specific table brings up a pop-up window containing data as they appear in the publication.



#### **Data Availability**

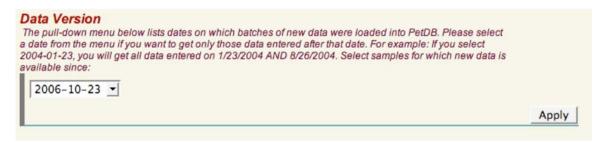
Use a query by data availability if you are looking for data from samples for which specific data types have been published. For example, you are interested in getting data only for samples for which major elements AND olivine analyses are available, select the appropriate boxes and click 'Apply' to proceed to the query interface where you can choose how to further constrain your dataset or continue to data selection.



Constrain the dataset further using other query buttons or proceed to the Data Selection page.

## **Data Version**

The query by data version allows you to get only those data that were added during a specific update of the database. This is helpful if for example you are working with a large spreadsheet generated through a PetDB query adjusted and edited to fit your needs. You do not have to re-generate the entire spreadsheet! Just append data that were added to PetDB after your last download.



Constrain the dataset further using other query buttons or proceed to the Data Selection page.

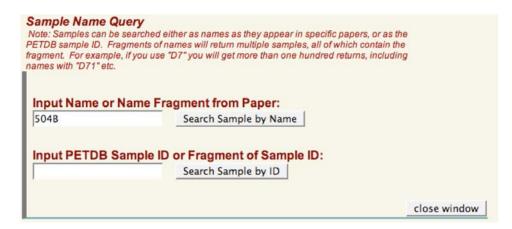
# Data from a Specific Sample, Site, Hole, or Core

# Search for a Specific Sample, Hole or Core

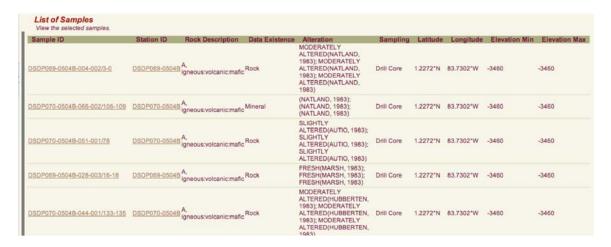
You can search for samples by the name reported in the publication ('ALIAS'), or by the PetDB unique sample identifier. PetDB sample IDs contain core, leg, and sample name embedded in an alphanumeric structure. Many sample aliases used in publications are non-unique (e.g. D5-1), so you will often get multiple results. You must check sample information (metadata) by clicking on the sample identifier to decide which sample is the one you're looking for.



Enter the name or name fragment of the sample and click on the search button.



All samples containing '504B' in the alphanumeric Sample ID will appear in another window.



View all data available for a specific sample by clicking on the Sample ID.



# Cruise/Ship

This option allows you to get data for samples that have been collected on a specific cruise/expedition. Use a cruise name to select the samples collected on the cruise.

Use **Form 1** to query by expedition name. If you know the prefix corresponding to an expedition you may choose the first number or letter from the alphanumeric buttons at

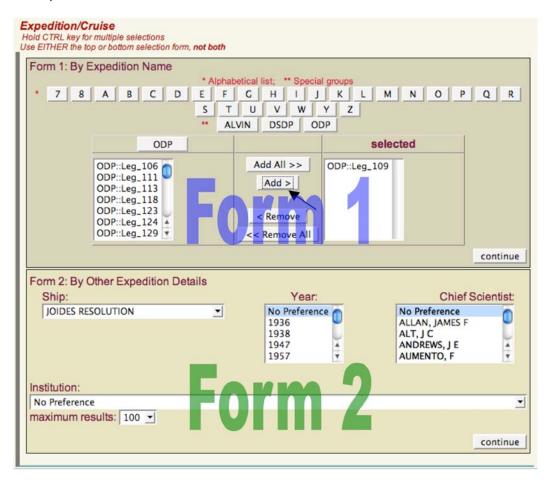
the top of the form. For ALVIN, Deep Sea Drilling Project (DSDP), or Ocean Drilling Project (ODP), use the "special group" buttons.

# Example:

To obtain information on Hole 670A of Leg 109 of ODP JOIDES Resolution cruise; click on the ODP special group and select Leg 109.

If you don't know the name of the cruise, you can also search by ship name and the cruise year using **Form 2**. You may also query by the name of the chief scientist or organizing institution\*.

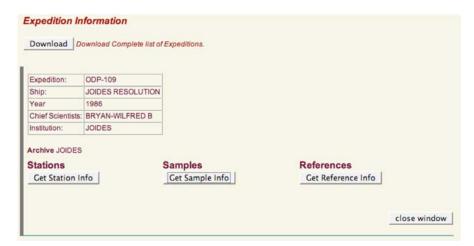
\*Note: Publications do not specify chief scientist or organizing institution. As a result, many cruises in PetDB are listed without this information. Therefore, few records may be returned when you use these criteria.



Click 'continue' to choose the leg, cruise or expedition of interest.



Select expedition legs, in this case, ODP-109 to get more sample and station information or to download the list of expeditions, stations, and references.

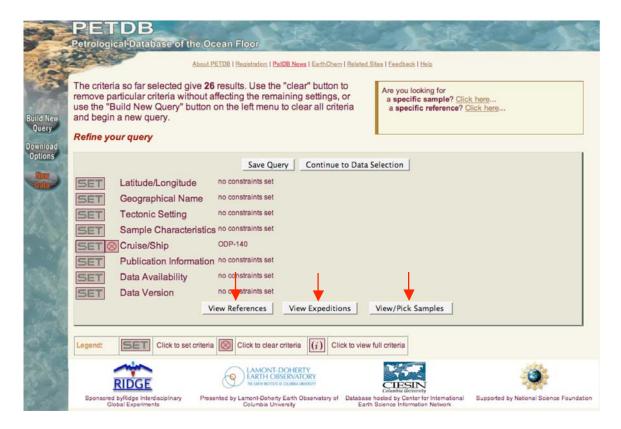


To continue to data selection, close the Expedition Information window. Click 'Apply' in the 'Select Expedition/Cruise data' window to set your query.

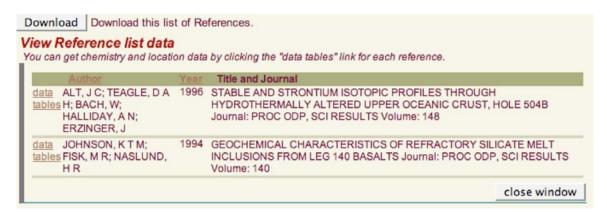
Constrain the dataset further using other query buttons or proceed to the Data Selection page.

# **Accessing Metadata**

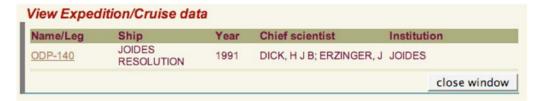
Sample metadata can be accessed several different ways after setting a query. Click on 'View Reference', 'View Expedition' or 'View/Pick Samples' to access lists of the relevant information.

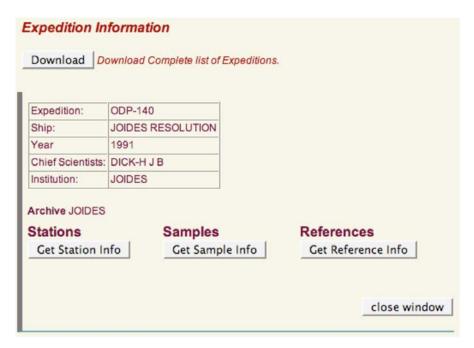


You can access reference information by clicking on the 'View References' button. The reference list provides access to tables with data organized as they appear in the publication.

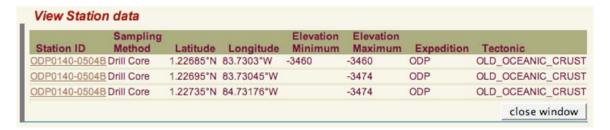


The 'View Expeditions' button provides information on the expeditions relevant to your query. Clicking on the name of the expedition or leg of a cruise provides information on the year of the expedition, name of the ship, and chief scientist (when available).

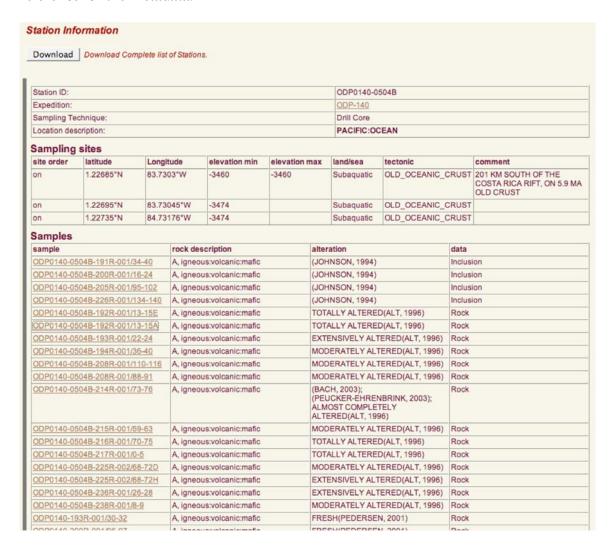




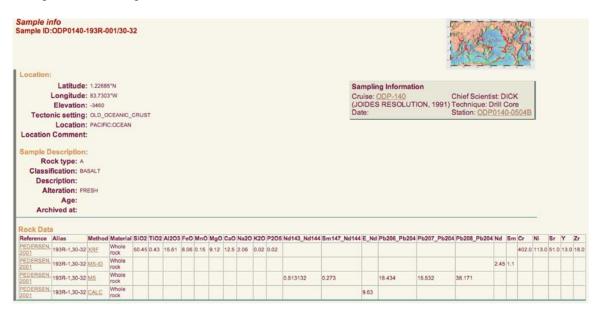
Clicking on the 'View Stations' button provides information on the locations of sampling stations, the sampling method, geospatial coordinates, depth, and tectonic setting at which the samples where taken.



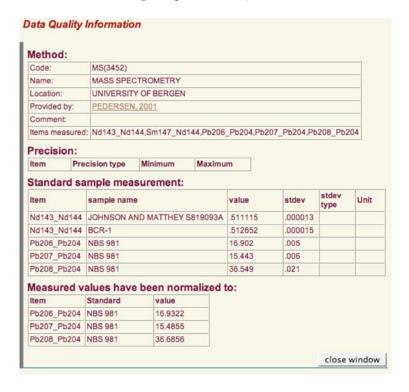
Clicking on the individual Station ID provides access to more metadata. Additional comments are available on the sampling location, what are the individual samples obtained at the location, type of sample, degree of alteration of the sample, and source reference for the metadata.



To obtain information on what data are available for a sample, click on the Sample ID. A new window with all the sample metadata will appear including rock type and geographic name of the location where the sample was obtained. Additionally, the sample information window provides a table with all chemical data available in PetDB for that particular sample.



To obtain information about a method used to obtain the analytical data, click on the method to access a table with standards, normalization and laboratory information (when available in the original publication).



# **Selecting Chemical Data and Downloading Options**

There are many ways in which you can view and download data and metadata. You may:

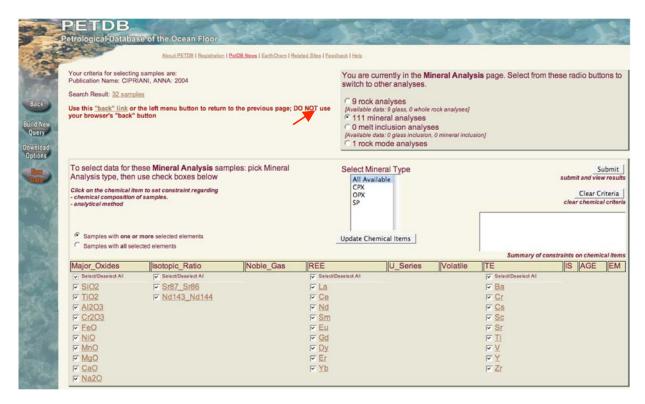
- View the references and proceed to download tables as they appear in the publication
- View Expeditions to access metadata related to the queried dataset
- View/Pick Samples to further refine the dataset by sample name, then click 'Apply'
- Or, simply continue to Data Selection.

# Select Material and Chemical Analyses

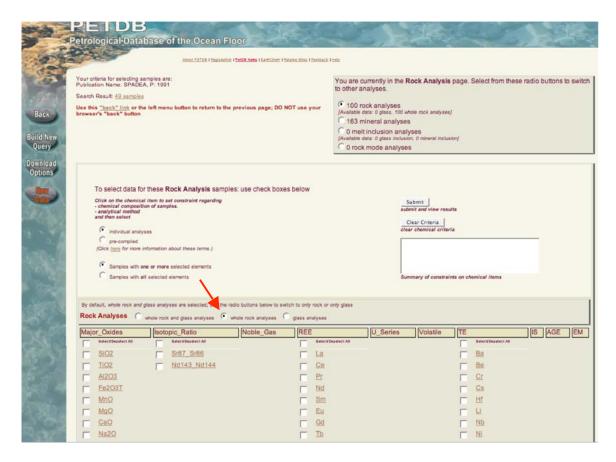
The Data Selection window allows you to choose the materials for which you want to download data. Clicking on the radio buttons dynamically changes the chemistry tables to display only the chemical items available for that particular material.

In the example below, the 'Mineral Analyses' button retrieves from the database major oxide, isotope, trace element and REE. A list of minerals analyzed is displayed in the menu below the materials radio buttons.

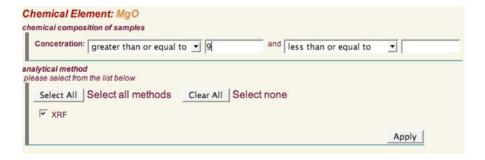
To constrain analyses to a particular mineral, select from the list and click 'Update Chemical Items' to update the table of available chemical items.



Clicking on the 'Rock Analyses' button will retrieve from the database those chemical items for which whole rock, glass, or unspecified bulk rock analyses are available in your query. The radio buttons above the chemistry table allow the user to choose only the material of interest.



You can constrain chemical concentration by clicking on a chemical item and method.

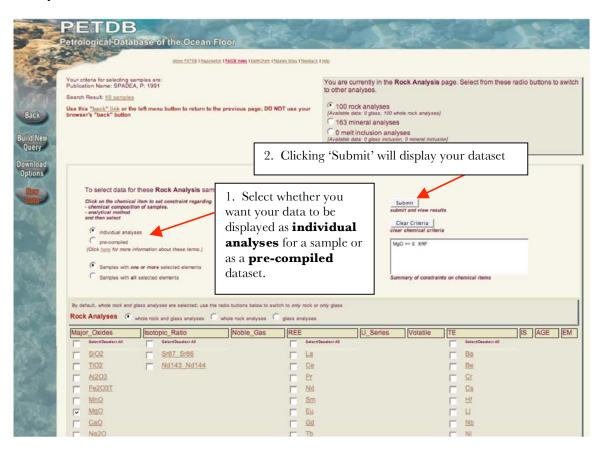


Chemical constraints set wil appear in the Chemical Criteria window on the right. When you are ready to download your results click Submit.

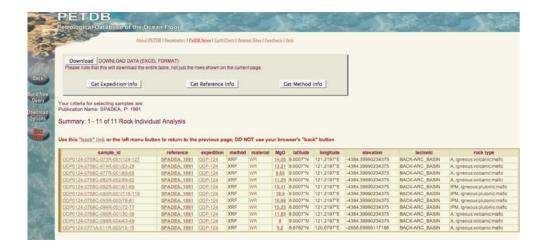
# **Downloading Datasets**

You may download data as individual analyses or in **pre-compiled** format. Pre-compiled datasets arrange all data for a sample based on your query selections by Sample ID in a single line, even when the data is sourced from multiple publications. If there is more than one value for a particular chemical item, the pre-compiled algorithm selects the most recent analysis and most precise method available. To obtain more metadata on the chemical value selected by the precompiled algorithm click on the value listed.

Some users prefer to examine the data and collate analyses of interest by their own criteria. To download individual analyses listed by sample select the **individual analyses** radio button.



The data you queried will appear in an html table for inspection. Metadata can be accessed by clicking on any of the highlighted parameters on the table. To download an Excel file with your data click on the Download button.



# Obtaining Chemical Data in a Specific Range of Concentrations

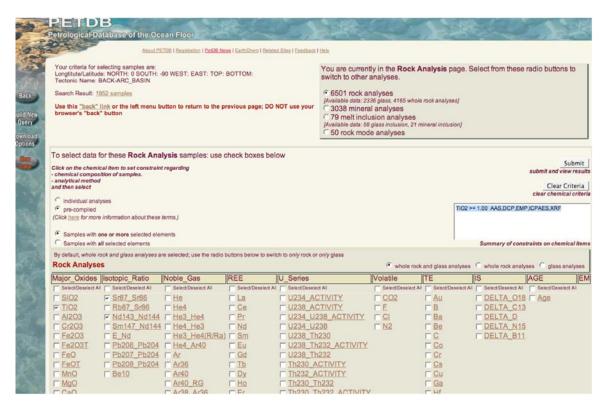
Begin your search by setting query parameters. In the example below, the database will be queried for samples from back-arc basins south of the equator.



Click on Continue to Data Selection

Continue to Data Selection

The Data Selection screen will display all data available for samples meeting your chosen criteria. Select Rock Analyses by clicking on the radio button.

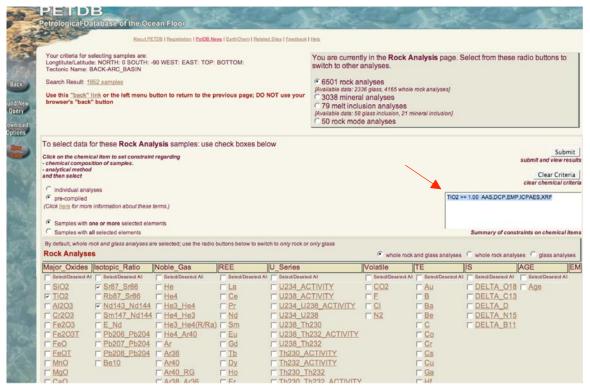




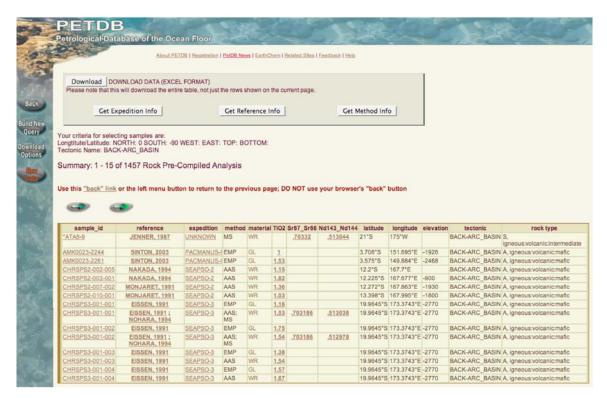
To constrain chemical values, for example, TiO<sub>2</sub> click on the chemical item. A concentration and method constraint window will appear. Enter a range of concentrations and click 'Apply'.



A summary of constraints appears in a window to display the range of concentrations you selected.



PetDB/Tutorial K A Block 10-31-2006 Once your have selected chemical items and set constraints, click 'Submit' to obtain data. To download your dataset as an Excel spreadsheet click Download.



To view associated metadata on expeditions, references, or methods, click the corresponding button above the html data table.



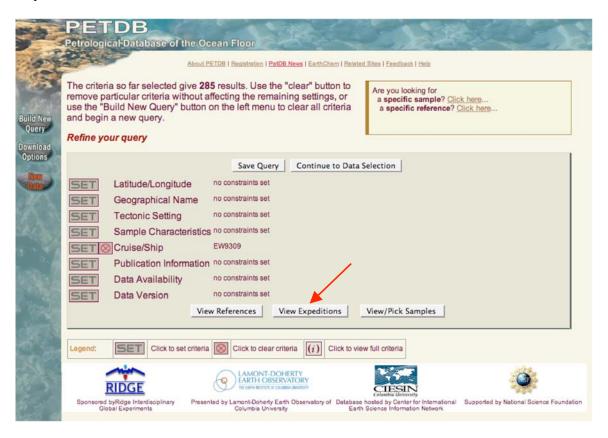
#### Other Features

# Accessing MGDS (Marine Geoscience Data System) data through PetDB

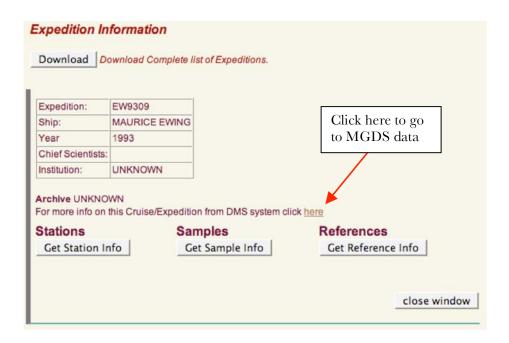
The Marine Geoscience Data System provides access to bathymetry, navigation, multibeam and sidescan sonar information for cruises and expeditions. Complementary chemical information may be available through PetDB\*.

\*Note that geophysical and navigation data may not be available for all expeditions in PetDB.

To access MGDS data through PetDB, create a query and click on the 'View Expeditions' button.



If data is available through MGDS a link will be available to retrieve the relevant information.



The MGDS window displays the various datasets available for the queried expedition.



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Scientist:Geochemistry: Sarda, Philippe
Scientist:Geophysics: Chen, John
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**Survey Locations and Navigation:** 

EW9309 Primary Navigation

Field Data Inventory:

The process works in reverse too! You can also browse MGDS files and access PetDB data when available.

Dive Type	Line Platform Type	Station Type	Data Type	Device Type	Device Info	Investigator or Contact
			Bathymetry:Singlebeam	Sonar Multibeam		Schilling_Jean-Guy
			Bathymetry:Swath	Sonar Multibeam	Atlas:Hydrosweep-DS	Schilling_Jean-Guy
			Chemistry:Rock		PetDB:	Schilling_Jean-Guy
			Gravity:Field	Gravimeter	Bodenseewerk:KSS-30	Schilling_Jean-Guy
			Magnetic:Field	Magnetometer	Varian:V75	Schilling_Jean-Guy
			Navigation	Navigation Primary		Schilling_Jean-Guy