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COVERAGE
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STARTING
You can access the resource in 1 of 3 ways:

a. Search in our library catalogue, iFind, for International Medieval Bibliography and click on the Online hyperlink.
b. There is also a link to the resource in your subject’s library guide. Click on the Key Resources tab and look for the resource in the list.
c. If you are using a PC on campus you can also access the bibliography by typing the URL www.brepolis.net.

SEARCHING
The Simple Search screen is initially displayed. You can click on Advanced search to see the Advanced Search screen. Advanced Search allows you to search in some ways not possible within Simple Search. For instance, you can restrict your search using the Year of publication boxes. To see additional search possibilities click on More search possibilities.

To run a search and view the results click on Search.

In Free search fields terms can be combined using the Boolean operators and, or and not.

normandy and Brittany finds items on both Normandy and Brittany.
normandy or Brittany would find records containing either word.
normandy not brittany would find records containing Normandy but not Brittany.

Brackets can be used. For instance, nutrition and (illness or disease) would find records which contain nutrition and either illness or disease.

Truncation
Use * to stand for any number of letters e.g. war* finds war, wars, warfare etc.
Use ? to stand for any single letter or none e.g. wom?n finds woman or women.

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Limiting your search
Your can use the search fields to limit your search in various ways, including the following.

In Advanced Search you can limit by language (e.g. if you only wish to see items in English). Many items in the Bibliography are in languages other than English.

To limit by Century, use the drop down menu to the right of Centuries. For instance, if you only wish to see items about the 12th century select 12 in each drop down menu.

To limit your search to items about a particular country or region click on All Geographical Areas in the Area box. To restrict your search to items about Wales, for instance, you then need to click on British Isles and select Wales. You can limit your search to a county within Wales (by clicking on Wales and selecting the county) and even to a particular part of the county. Tick a checkbox to select a place.

Search history
The Search History option at the top of the screen allows you to go back to previous searches. You can then display the results again or else adjust the search query.

DISPLAYING RESULTS
The Search results list displays the author, title and date of each record, with the most recent displayed first. To display the oldest record first, click on Year. To sort the results alphabetically by author, click on Author. To sort them alphabetically by title, click on Title.

To view complete individual records, you can click on the IMB icon at the left of each record.

SAVING, EMAILING AND PRINTING
In the results list you can select each record you wish to save, email or print by clicking in the check boxes on the left.

Click on Export near the top right of the screen.

A maximum of 250 records can be exported at any one time.

FINISHING
Click on Logout on the top right of the screen.

HELP
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