Avid Dialogue Search
Intelligent media search. Simplified.

Speech is ubiquitous. That’s why it can be such a challenge finding that certain clip you need from hundreds of hours of dialogue-heavy footage. Avid Dialogue Search makes the task fast and easy. Simply type words or phrases, and Dialogue Search locates every clip that contains these spoken words in seconds—across all available MAM, storage, and archive systems. And with powerful metadata search and filtering, you can capitalize on media that would have gone otherwise unnoticed, increasing your monetization opportunities.

Key features
- Save yourself from hours of search time and find the right clips right now
- Get the most accurate results thanks to unrivaled speech recognition
- Focus on the best matches based on the confidence score and relevancy sorting for each result
- Further refine results with powerful metadata filtering and search capabilities
- Locate clips that contain specific dialogue, independent of captions, transcripts, or metadata
- Search for clips across Avid and third-party media asset management and storage systems
- Review results and preview clips quickly using the built-in media player
- Easily explore other clip options by reviewing subtle variations on your search term
- Accelerate media search across any enterprise environment, including news, sports, and entertainment broadcast, corporations, government agencies, houses of worship, educational facilities, and political organizations

Get accurate results
By analyzing phonemes instead of words, Dialogue Search’s patented technology is far more accurate than “speech-to-text” equivalent searches. It easily finds proper names or slang and is not thrown off by individual accents when searching for dialogue. Plus, searches of dialogue do not require exact spelling or rely on dictionaries that necessitate frequent updates.

Get simple, powerful searching
Just type a word or phrase in the search box and click Search. Within seconds, Dialogue Search returns a list of related media containing those words or phrases. Your search can include Boolean operators to further refine the results, as well as terms that indicate a specified time window of both words being spoken relative to each other. For example, you can search for “home run” and a player’s name spoken within 10 seconds of each other to locate all home runs called for that player.

Search and filter metadata
Avid Dialogue Search includes powerful metadata search and filtering capabilities. For media sets with metadata available, you can choose to either filter results based on metadata alone or search the metadata in combination with the dialogue. With the combination search, you can leverage all available resources and even find and generate metadata for assets that did not already have any.

Experience a seamless workflow
With Avid Dialogue Search, you can search media stored on a variety of file systems and production and media asset management systems from Avid, CatDV, Dalet, Vizrt, and IPV. Once you find the results you need, you can export the search terms and timecodes back to these systems or directly to editing applications such as Media Composer, Final Cut Pro X, and Premiere Pro.

Search fast and affordably at any scale
Avid Dialogue Search is extremely fast, indexing media up to 40x real time per CPU core. And it scales out when more CPU cores are added. This speed is achieved with nonproprietary, off-the-shelf hardware. In fact, a single server can support searching over 100,000 hours of media.

For more information, visit www.avid.com/DialogueSearch
Organize media with project bins

The project bin gives you an easy way to collect and organize your search results. As you discover assets through search, those of interest can be added to a bin. Quickly and easily organize media in an unlimited number of bins. Bring all relevant assets together into a single view. And immediately gain access to the rich logging information in your asset management and editorial solutions.

Get easy, flexible deployment

Avid Dialogue Search is available as a standalone browser-based application or it can power search functionality in a variety of software applications through the JSON-based REST API. And it doesn’t have to be limited to one media source; it can aggregate results from all of your media libraries.

Supported media

Avid Dialogue Search works with popular audio and video media formats, including major codecs supported by QuickTime, DirectShow, and FFmpeg. Almost any type of source material can be made searchable without creating copies or modifying the originals. For details, visit avid.com/DialogueSearch.

Supported languages*

- Arabic (Modern Standard)
- Dutch
- English (Australian, North American, UK)
- Farsi
- Flemish
- French (Canadian, European)
- German
- Hebrew
- Hindi
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Mandarin Chinese
- Polish
- Portuguese (Brazilian)
- Russian
- Spanish (Castilian, Latin American)
- Thai
- Turkish

Software integration

Avid Dialogue Search integrates with a variety of media asset management, storage, and editing systems from Avid and the following Avid Alliance Partners:

- Adobe
- Apple
- CatDV
- Dalet
- IPV
- Vizrt

System requirements

Avid Dialogue Search can be installed and operated on premises or in the cloud. For details about server requirements**, hardware sizing, and supported browsers, please see the Avid Dialogue Search Specifications page at avid.com/DialogueSearch.

* Additional languages are added regularly. If you don’t see what you need, we can partner with you to develop additional language support.

** Additional processing cores will decrease ingest latency and search times. Additional servers may be added to further reduce latency and search times on very large volumes of media, while also providing redundancy and failover protection.