Using the "Similar to" function to find a list of values in a given field

This function allows you to specify multiple values that follow a given pattern within a field. The field could be anything: titles, marc fields or subfields, LC classes in call number, etc.

The syntax is: <field containing the values> **similar to '(**list each value separated by a **|** symbol**)'**. Add wildcard characters where needed.

Examples:

1. Find titles where the following terms occur: ASTM, AASHTO, ASHRAE, ACI, ISO, ANSI, ASME, SAE or AWS.

   instext.title **similar to** '%(ASTM|AASHTO|ASHRAE|ACI|ISO|ANSI|ASME|SAE|AWS)%'

2. Find selected bib format codes contained in the "000" field of the instance record. The format codes to look for start with "a", "t", "c" or "d".

   sm.field = '000' and (**substring**(sm."content", 7, 2) **similar to** '(a|t|c|d)%')