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Words and phrases that can confuse

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These two prepositions change the meaning of the verb To Link; however, they are often used to mean the same thing. Let's have a look at the correct use.

linked with = *connected/associated*

linked to = *as a consequence/caused by*

- **The head of the bank has been linked with organized crime** (*there is a connection or association between the head of the bank and organized crime*).
- **The increase in lung diseases has been linked to pollution** (*lung diseases are a consequence or are caused by pollution*).

These two examples clearly show how the prepositions are used correctly



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- ...and alterations in gamma oscillations have been **linked with** several human neuropathies...
- ...and is also **linked with** other functional properties...
- Maastricht is inextricably *linked with* Europe...
- ...more than 130 foreign fighters *linked with* Italy...
- Anti-African prejudice may be **linked to** India's stubborn, caste-related bias
- ...it has ceded ground to militants **linked to** the PKK.
- The therapeutic target EGFR was **linked to** SRC.
- The SKP1–Cullin complex has already been **linked to** EGFR activation in glioma.
- The OST complex, which has not been **linked to** viral replication before...
- ...several host processes that had not been **linked to** flaviviral replication before...
- Residue 312 is directly **linked to** 464.
- ...emulsifiers, might be **linked to** obesity, diabetes and inflammatory bowel disorders.
- Mini ice-age **linked to** fall of empires in late antiquity...
- The virus has been **linked to** an increase of babies born in Brazil with microcephaly...
- The mosquito-transmitted virus might be **linked to** head malformations...
- ...ageing is **linked to** a state of arrested cell growth...