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Navigating Scientific Resources & Staying Organized

Making It Easier to Write a Ph.D. Dissertation, Article, or Proposal

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1. Searching: Introduction
2. Google Scholar
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4. Types of Sources
5. Reading & Organizing Sources
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1. SEARCHING: INTRODUCTION

Keywords (for Searching)

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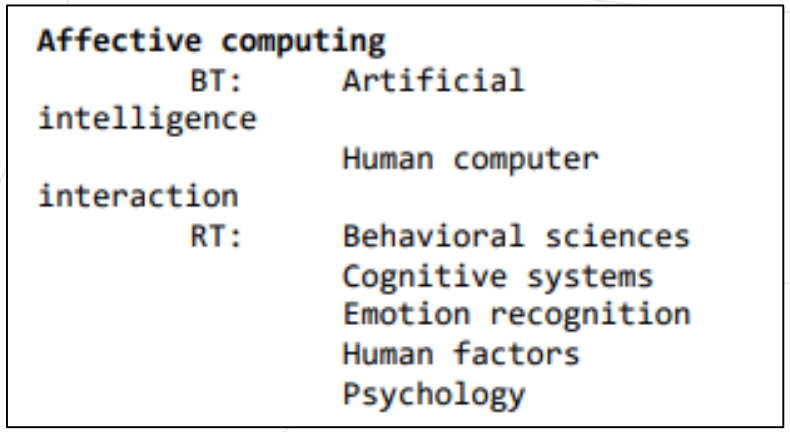
- Which keywords in your subject area are used by other authors?

- Is there a thesaurus/dictionary for your field?
  - MeSH (Medical Subject Headings)
  - IEEE Thesaurus and Taxonomy
  - Mathematics Subject Classification
  - The Transportation Research Thesaurus
  - INSPEC Thesaurus (after login)



- Other useful tools:
  - Wikipedia (translation of terms, fact checking,...)
  - Google Scholar

Database Search Tips

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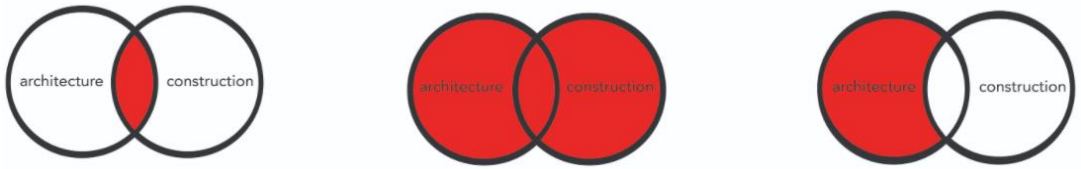
- AND, OR, NOT/-



- Phrase searching “”
- Truncation * ?

Educ* education, educator, educational, or educate.

Organi?e – organise and organize

- Filters
- Advanced search
  - (author, title, abstract, full text, other)

➔ More database tips

Search Tools for Scientific Resources

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- **Search engines**
  - Google Scholar
  - Library discovery tool (NTK, chemTK, CTU)

...searching through multiple databases and collections mentioned below

- **Article/book databases**
  - Paid databases (eg. IEEE, ScienceDirect, see library subscribed databases)
  - Open databases and journals (eg. DOAJ, PubMed Central and others)
- **Preprint collections** on servers as arXiv, ResearchGate, Academia.edu or institutional repositories
- **Citation databases** Web of Science and Scopus (no full text, but links to full text)

& **P2P servers** as Sci-Hub, LibGen

2. GOOGLE SCHOLAR

Library Links

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- CTU is currently not fully integrated with Google Scholar

Library Links Setting

Google Scholar & NTK

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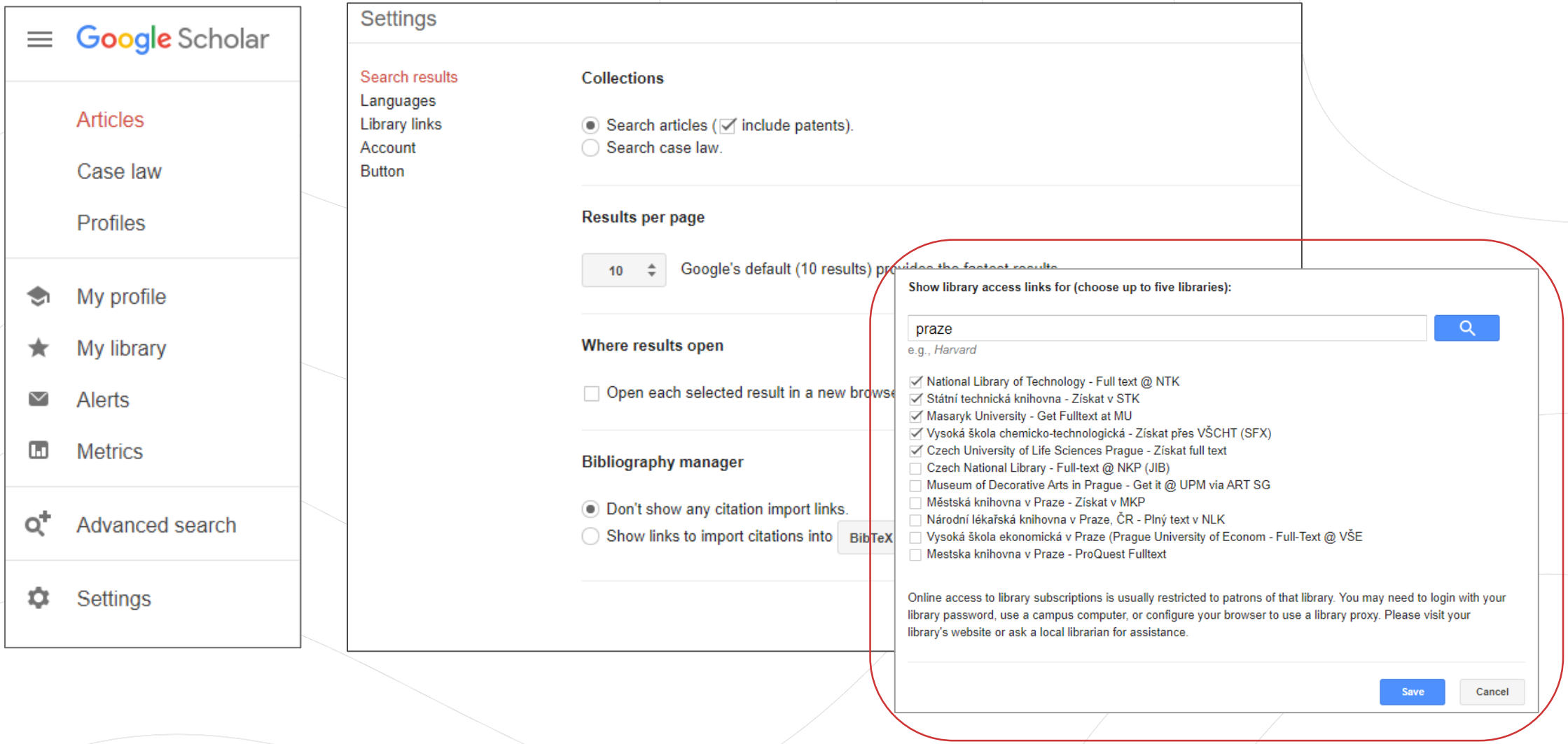
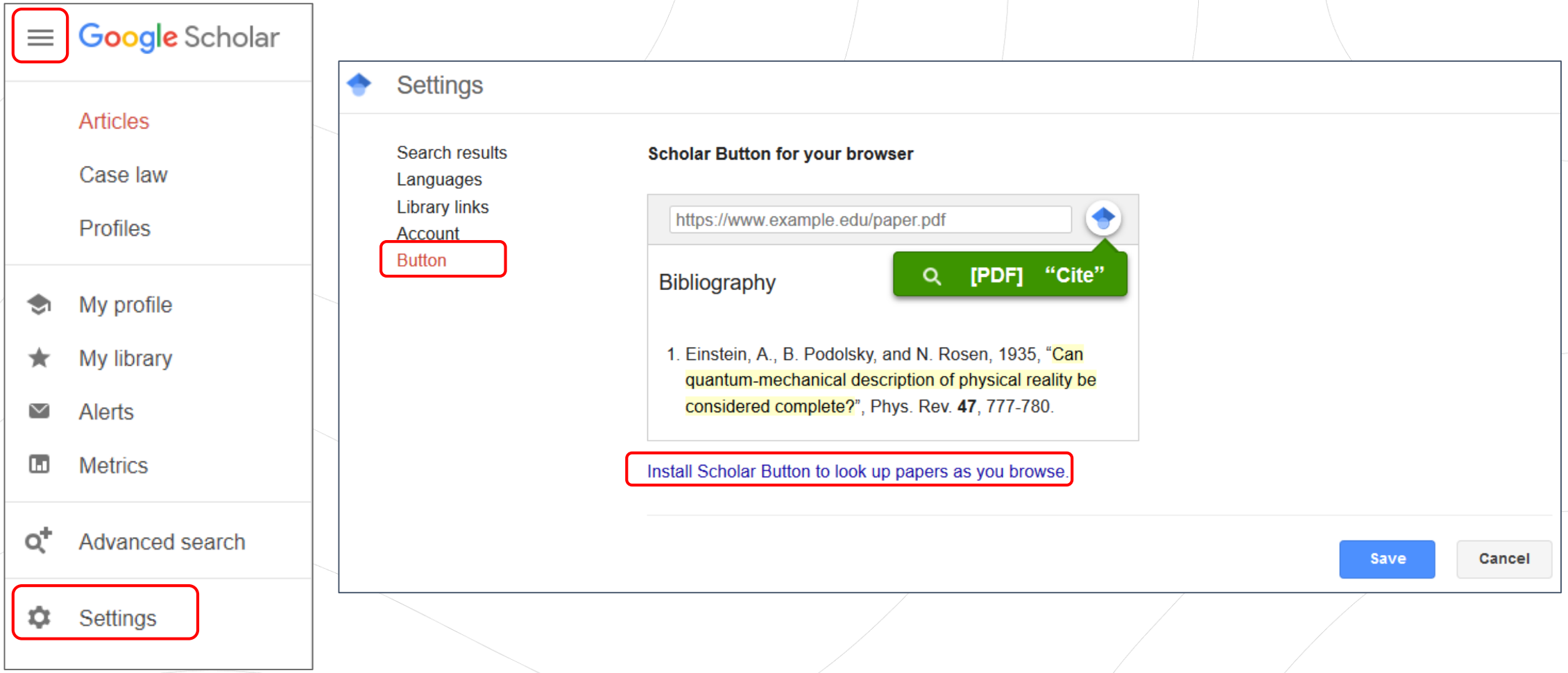


Google Scholar Button

Browser extension (Chrome, Firefox, Opera)



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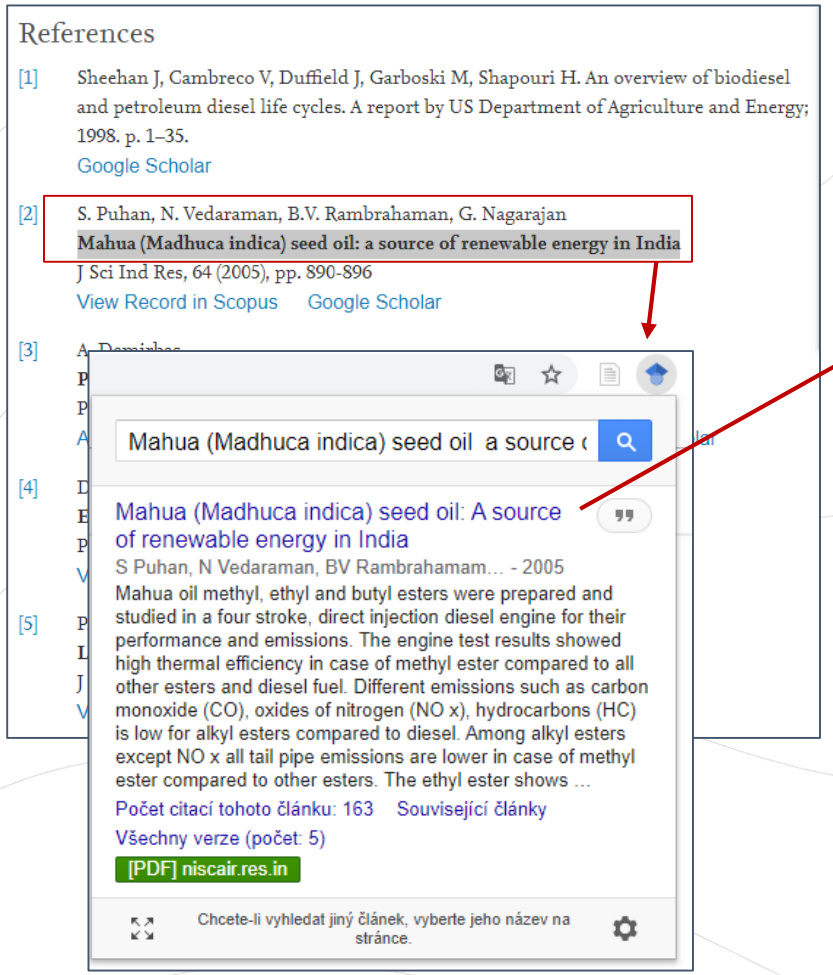
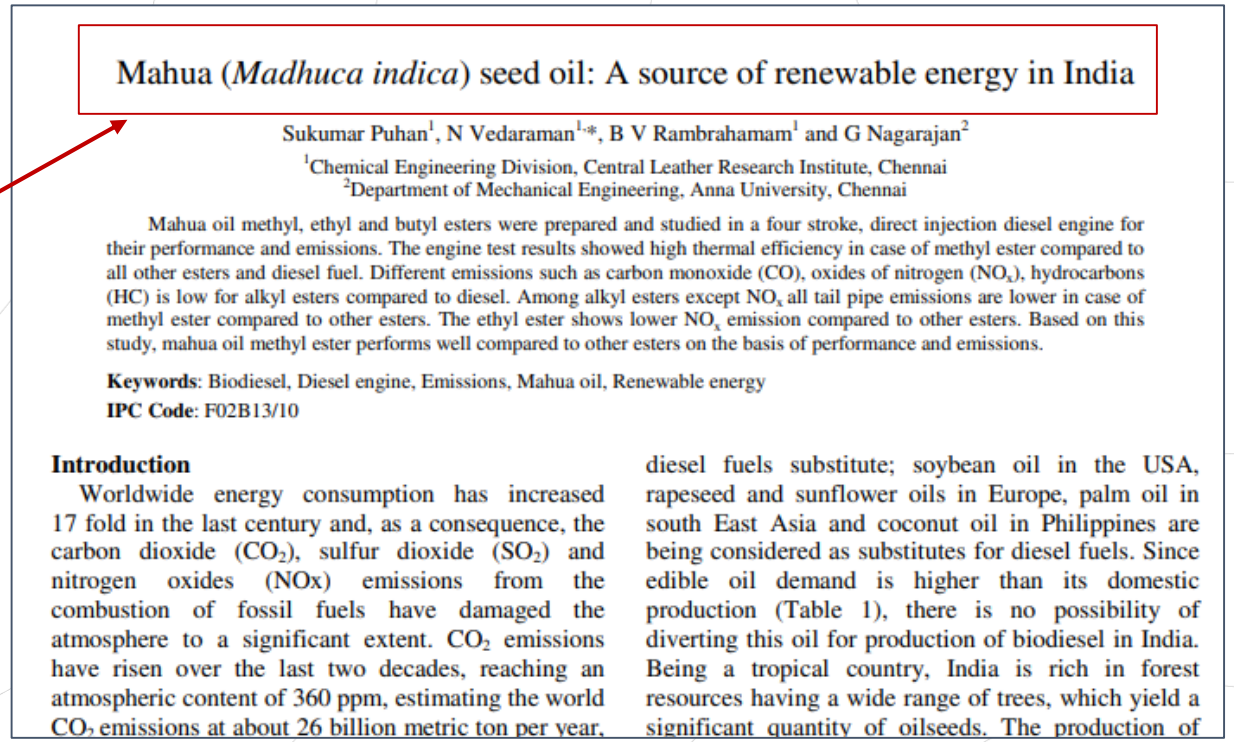
Quick access to **full text** & citations download





Mahua (*Madhuca indica*) seed oil: A source of renewable energy in India

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Mahua oil methyl, ethyl and butyl esters were prepared and studied in a four stroke, direct injection diesel engine for their performance and emissions. The engine test results showed high thermal efficiency in case of methyl ester compared to all other esters and diesel fuel. Different emissions such as carbon monoxide (CO), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), hydrocarbons (HC) is low for alkyl esters compared to diesel. Among alkyl esters except NO_x all tail pipe emissions are lower in case of methyl ester compared to other esters. The ethyl ester shows lower NO_x emission compared to other esters. Based on this study, mahua oil methyl ester performs well compared to other esters on the basis of performance and emissions.

Keywords: Biodiesel, Diesel engine, Emissions, Mahua oil, Renewable energy
IPC Code: F02B13/10

Introduction

Worldwide energy consumption has increased 17 fold in the last century and, as a consequence, the carbon dioxide (CO_2), sulfur dioxide (SO_2) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions from the combustion of fossil fuels have damaged the atmosphere to a significant extent. CO_2 emissions have risen over the last two decades, reaching an atmospheric content of 360 ppm, estimating the world CO_2 emissions at about 26 billion metric ton per year,

diesel fuels substitute; soybean oil in the USA, rapeseed and sunflower oils in Europe, palm oil in south East Asia and coconut oil in Philippines are being considered as substitutes for diesel fuels. Since edible oil demand is higher than its domestic production (Table 1), there is no possibility of diverting this oil for production of biodiesel in India. Being a tropical country, India is rich in forest resources having a wide range of trees, which yield a significant quantity of oilseeds. The production of

Google Scholar

Tips & Tricks

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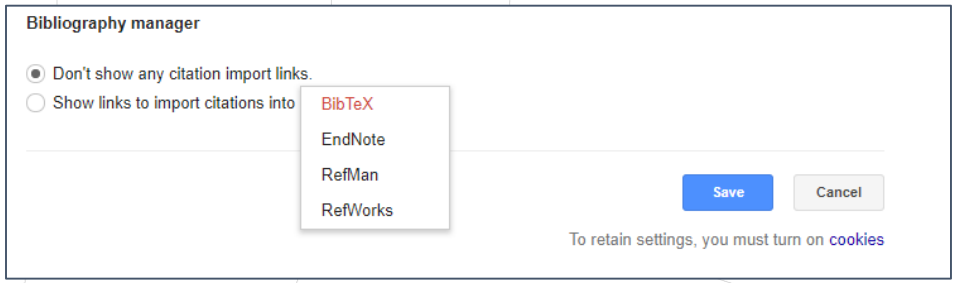
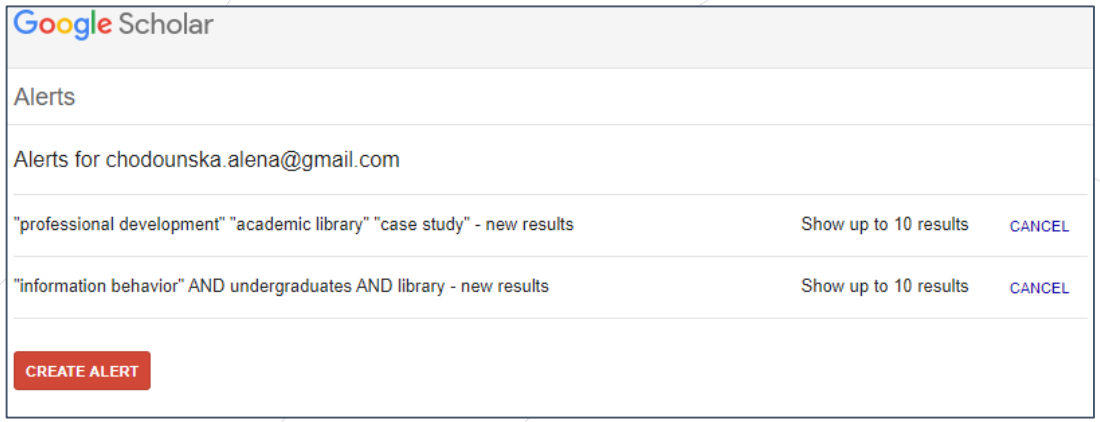
- Library links
- Citation management tools
- Google Scholar Button
- Google Scholar Alerts
- Google Scholar Account
  - GS author profile
  - My library





Google Tips & Tricks

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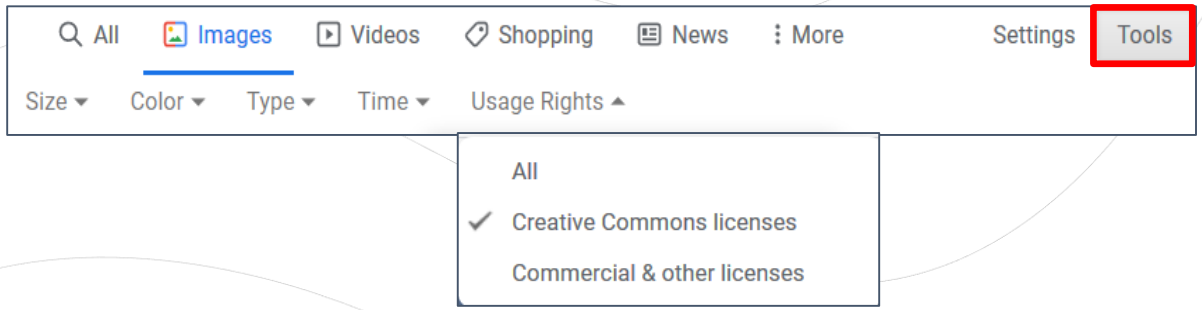
- Find the **name of the person** you are citing (especially when you are writing in Czech)

site:cvut.cz dissertation (all pages with keyword “dissertation“ on domain “cvut.cz”)

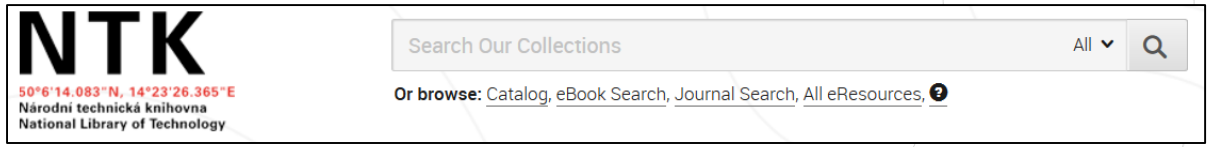
- Find pictures under **open licence**



➔ More Tips & Tricks on Google

3. LIBRARY RESOURCES & FULL-TEXT ACCESS

Library Discovery Tools



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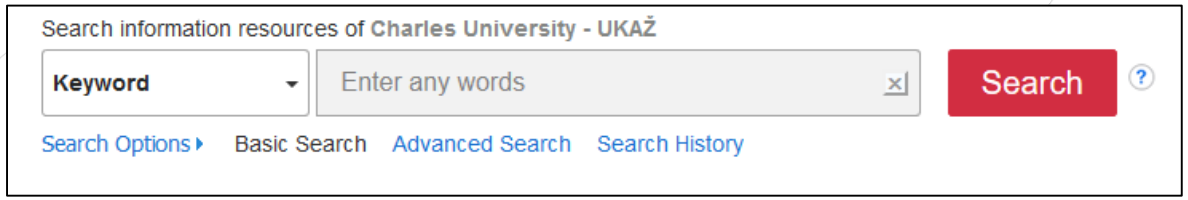

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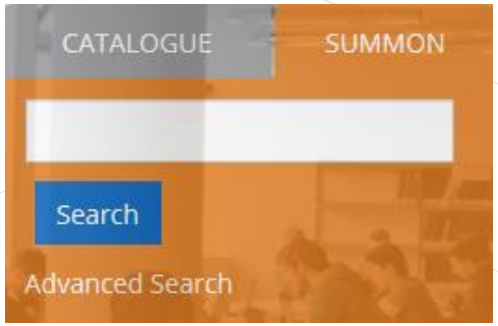

http://knihovna.cvut.cz/en/#summon

- **One box** for searching across **all journals** and **books** (both electronic and print) provided by the library (items from databases like IEEE, ScienceDirect, EBSCO, ProQuest, and more)

- Advanced searching options
- Advanced filtering
- Library print collection included

Log in for off-campus access to full text

Discovery = search all databases from one field

List of all databases (eResources) and eJournals & eBooks

Quick access to main databases including Web of Science and Scopus

www.techlib.cz/en/

Searching @ NTK

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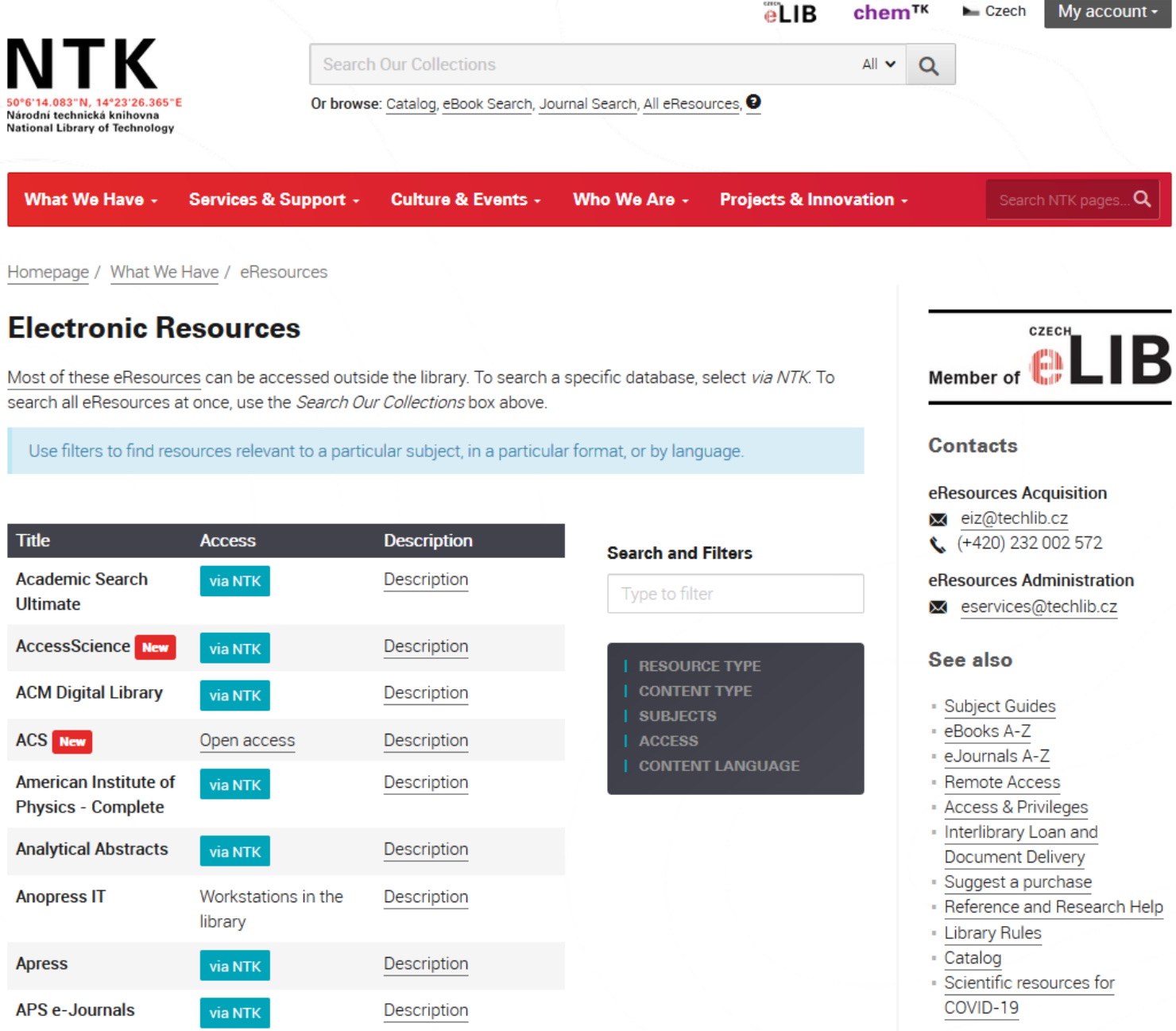
- NTK discovery tool
- Browse/find eBooks and eJournals
- Specific databases and electronic collections
- Access to full text
- Document delivery/interlibrary loan

Electronic resources accessible from home

Direct Access to Databases and Collections Provided by NTK



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Getting Full Text (when Sci-Hub is down) ;)

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1. Always make sure you are logged onto the library website for **off-campus access**
2. Activate Library links on Google Scholar
3. Use tools on library web page

eJournals	eArticles	eBooks
Journal Search ● Search for journal title or ISSN	Discovery tool ● “Phrase search” of article title ● Supplement with name of one author for better accuracy	Discovery tool ● “Phrase search” of book title ● Supplement with name of one author for better accuracy eBook Search ● Search for book title, ISBN, or author

Getting Full Text: Other Options

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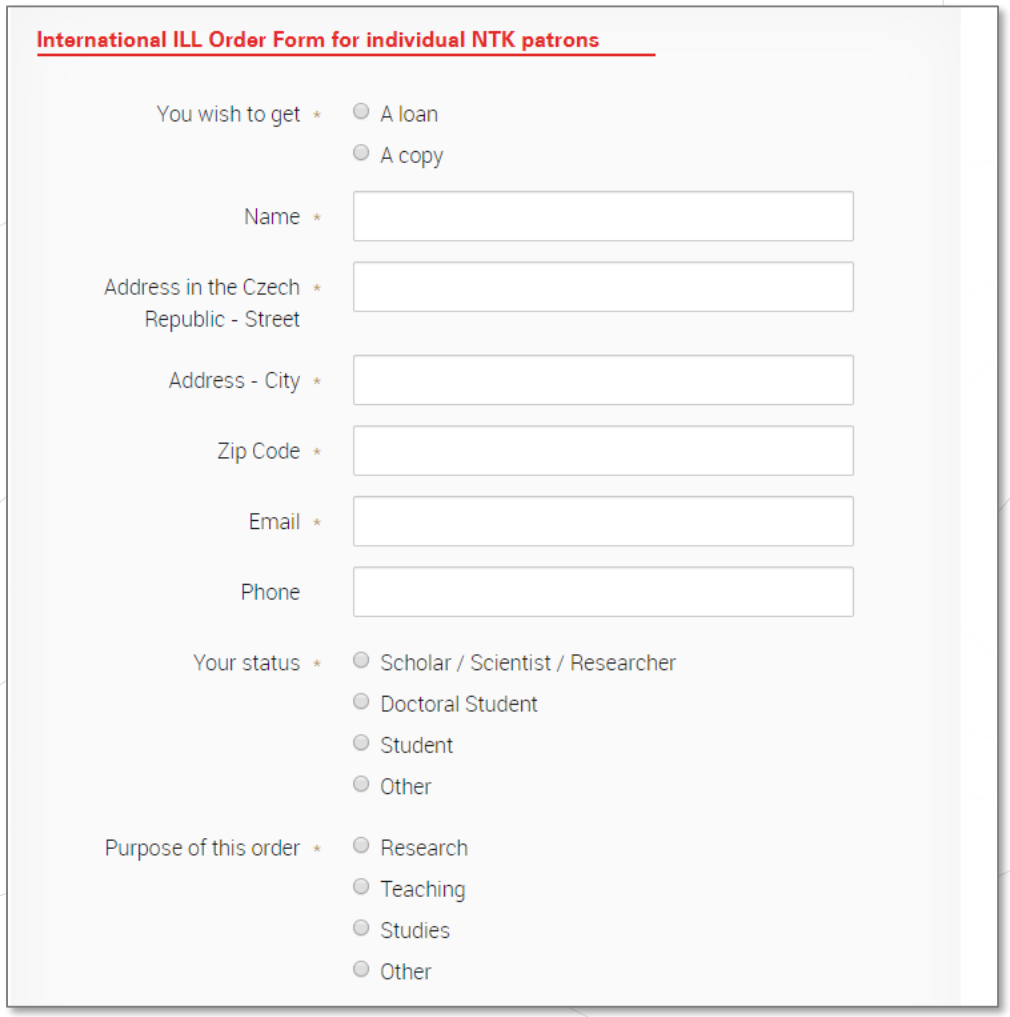

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For materials that are not available online:

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Searching with new AI tools

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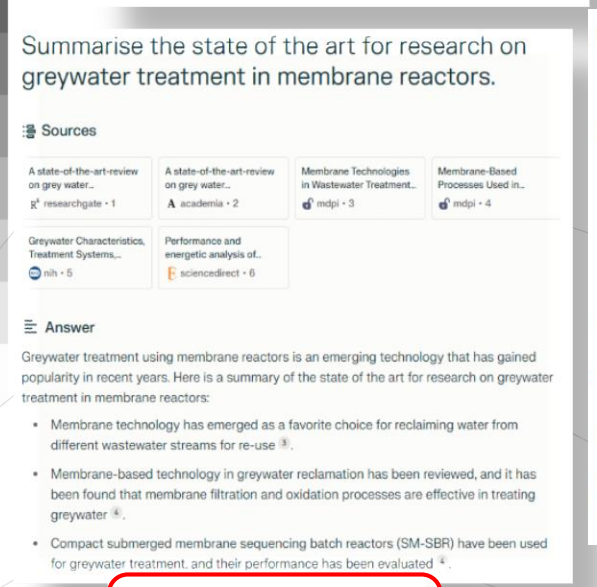
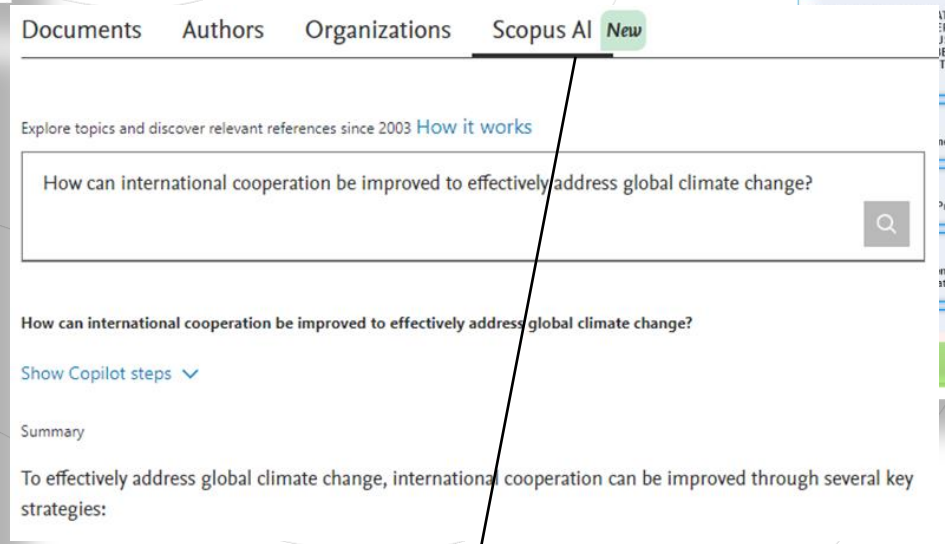
Searching

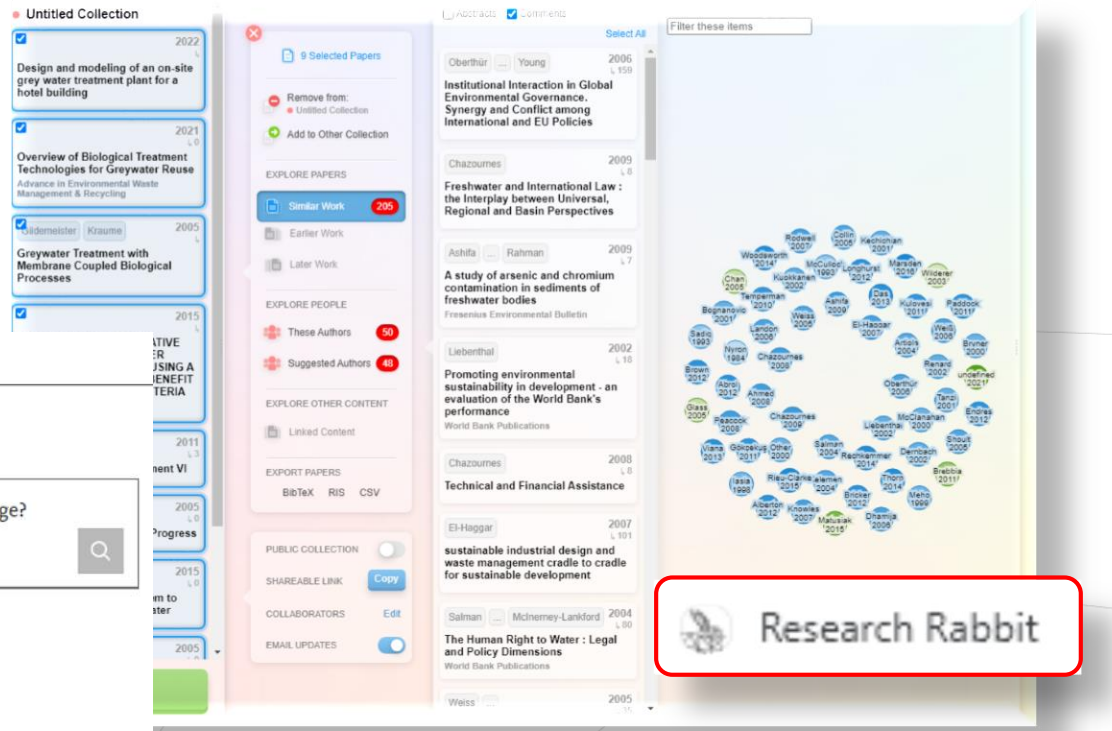
Searching NTK Resources
Web of Science & Scopus
Google Scholar
AI tools for research

Overview of AI search tools, chatbots, text analyzers and detectors





Scopus



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4. TYPES OF SOURCES

Handbooks, Textbooks, & Encyclopedias

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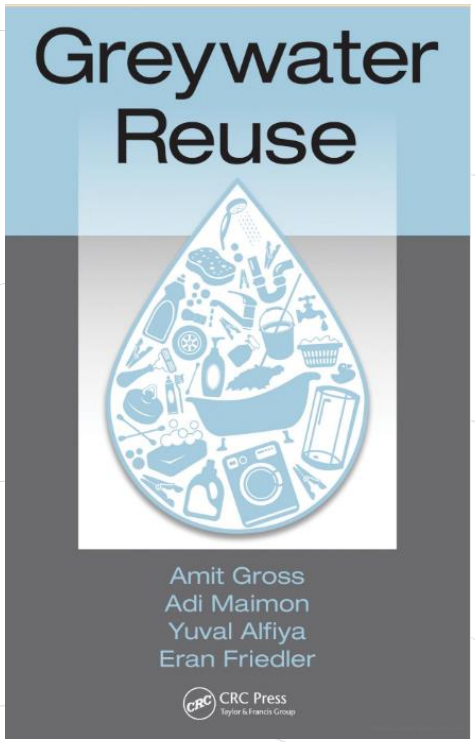

Contents

GROSS, Amit et al. *Greywater reuse*. London; New York; Boca Raton: CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group, 2015. ISBN 9781482255041;1482255049;

➔ *greywater AND (handbook OR text book OR encyclopedias OR dictionary)*

Dissertations

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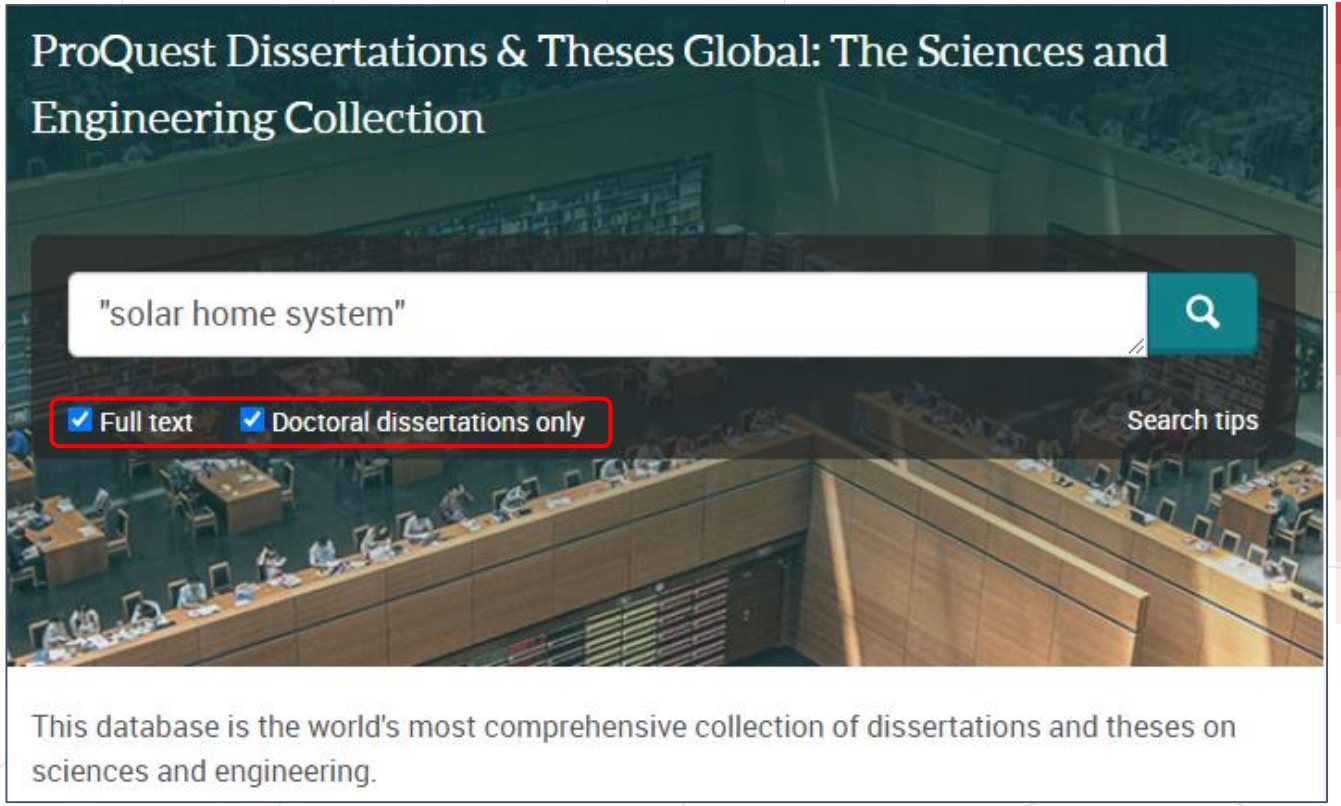
- Get inspired by others' approaches to similar dissertation topics, formatting, and structure
- List of sources
- Discuss the choice of sample theses with mentor
- Avoid plagiarism



➔ *Czech institutional repositories* (CTU, UCT, CU, Grey literature)
➔ *International repositories*, *ProQuest Theses* (via NTK)

Review Articles

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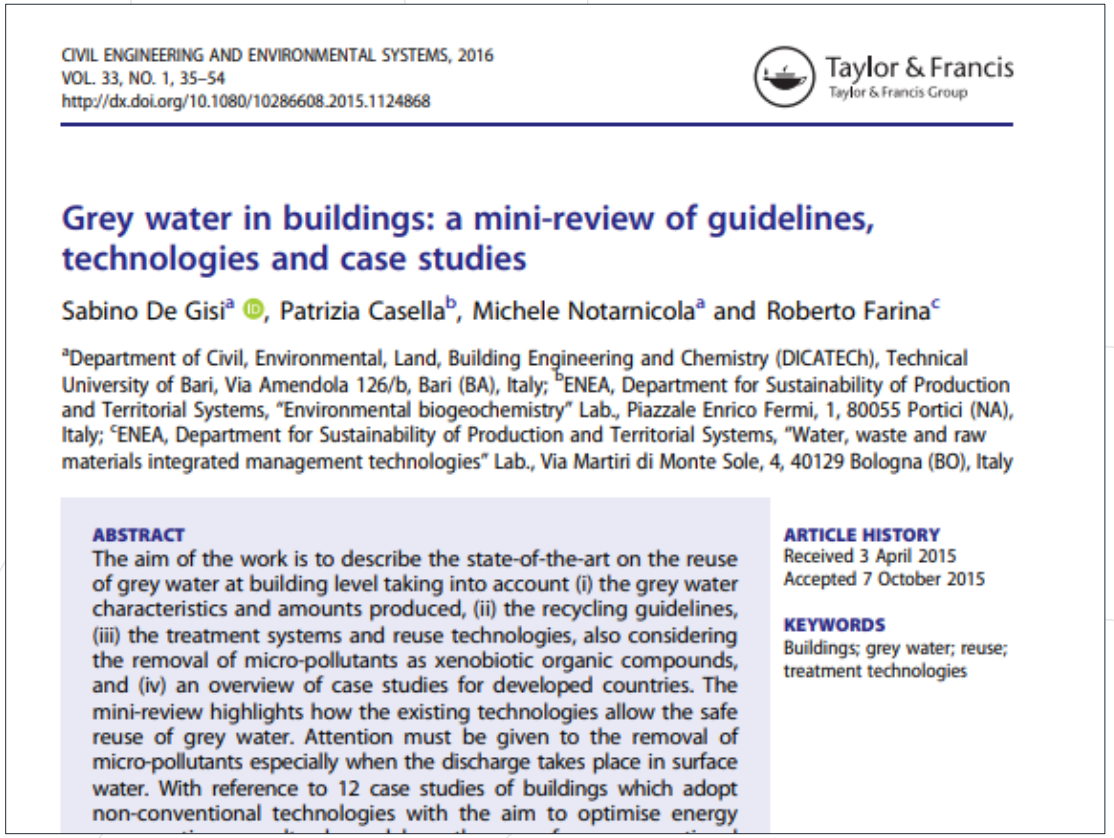
- Type of scholarly articles that provide summary and analysis of previous research on a specific topic/problem/question
- Efficient way to gain an overview of existing research and current state-of-the-art
- A comprehensive lists of relevant sources
- Review/Systematic Review, Meta-Research, Meta-Analysis

➔ *(greywater OR "grey water") AND (review OR meta-analysis OR meta-research)*
➔ *Use a filter (available e.g., in Scopus, Web of Science, Google Scholar, Semantic Scholar)*



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Grey water in buildings: a mini-review of guidelines, technologies and case studies

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ABSTRACT
The aim of the work is to describe the state-of-the-art on the reuse of grey water at building level taking into account (i) the grey water characteristics and amounts produced, (ii) the recycling guidelines, (iii) the treatment systems and reuse technologies, also considering the removal of micro-pollutants as xenobiotic organic compounds, and (iv) an overview of case studies for developed countries. The mini-review highlights how the existing technologies allow the safe reuse of grey water. Attention must be given to the removal of micro-pollutants especially when the discharge takes place in surface water. With reference to 12 case studies of buildings which adopt non-conventional technologies with the aim to optimise energy

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KEYWORDS
Buildings; grey water; reuse; treatment technologies

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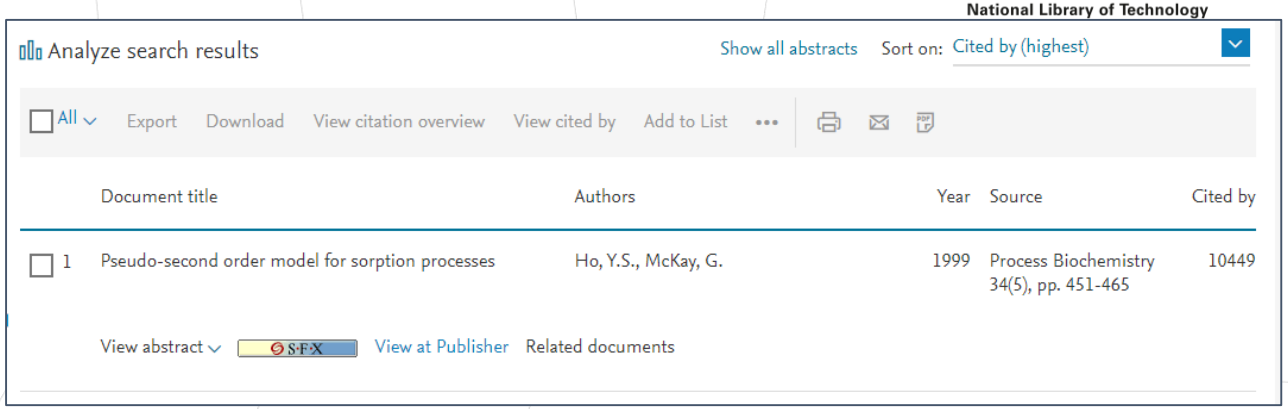
Seminal Articles

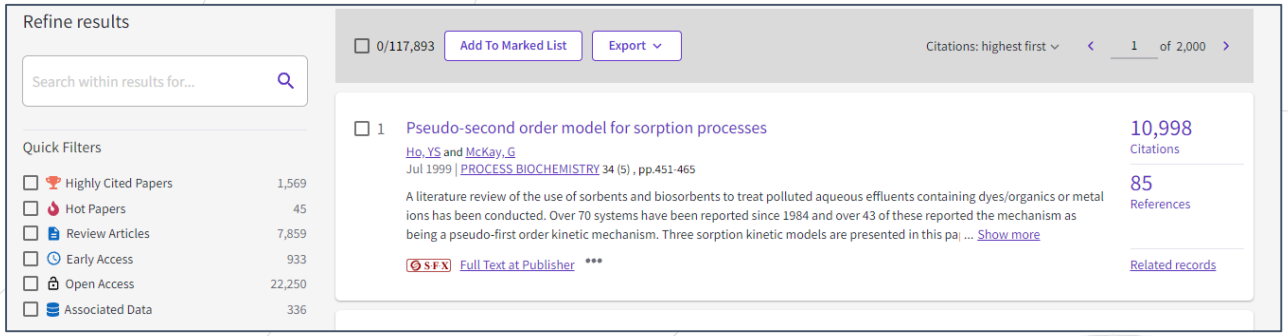
- **Core articles** for specific fields, usually providing some groundbreaking information
- Can usually be identified by the high number of citations
- Via **citation databases** (reliable journals and proceedings)

➔ *("waste water" OR "grey water") sorted via number of citations in Web of Science or Scopus*

Scopus (@ NTK)



Web of Science (@ NTK)



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➔ Learn more about Citation Databases on our website

Seminal Articles (2)

Other **search engines for academic resources** that enable sorting results by number of citations:

- Semantic Scholar (a free search engine developed by the Allen Institute for AI)
- Dimensions (a commercial scholarly search platform, the free version includes searching in publications and datasets only)

Consider:

- Number of citations vs. time
- Difference: citation count in different tools (different set of content for analysis)

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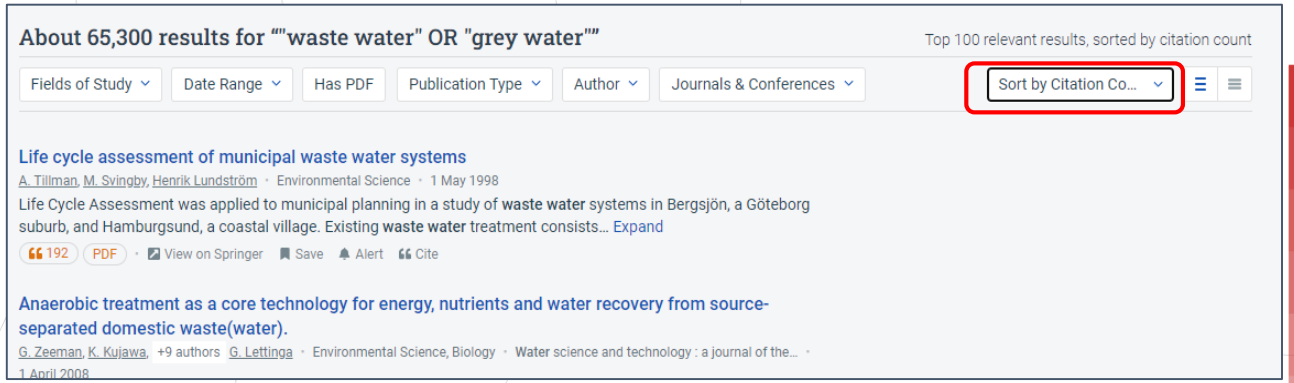

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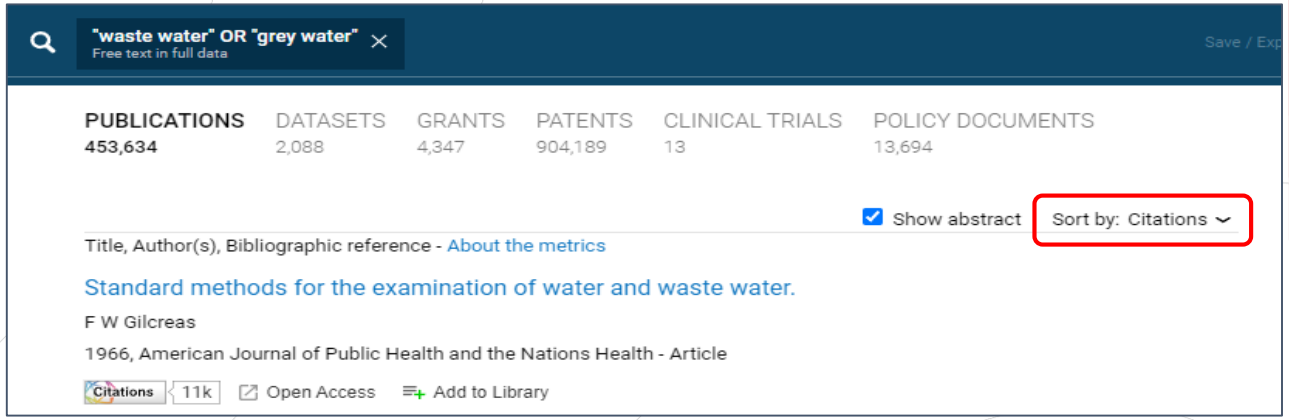
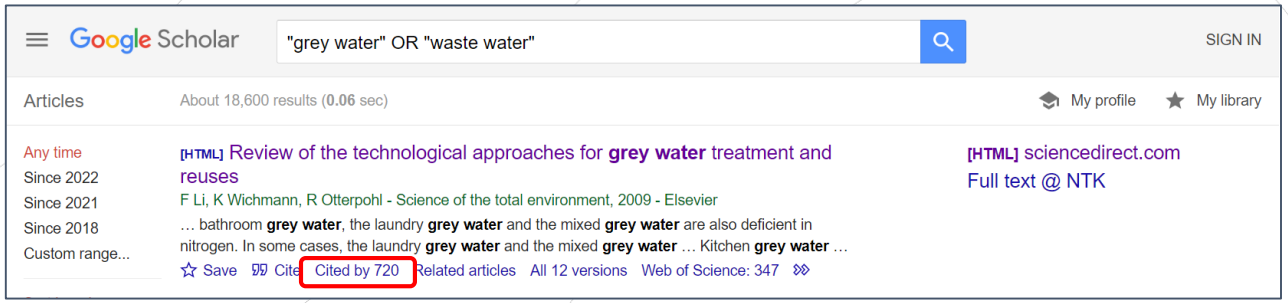


Google Scholar – number of citation, but does not enable sorting



The Most Up-to-date, State-of-the-art Search

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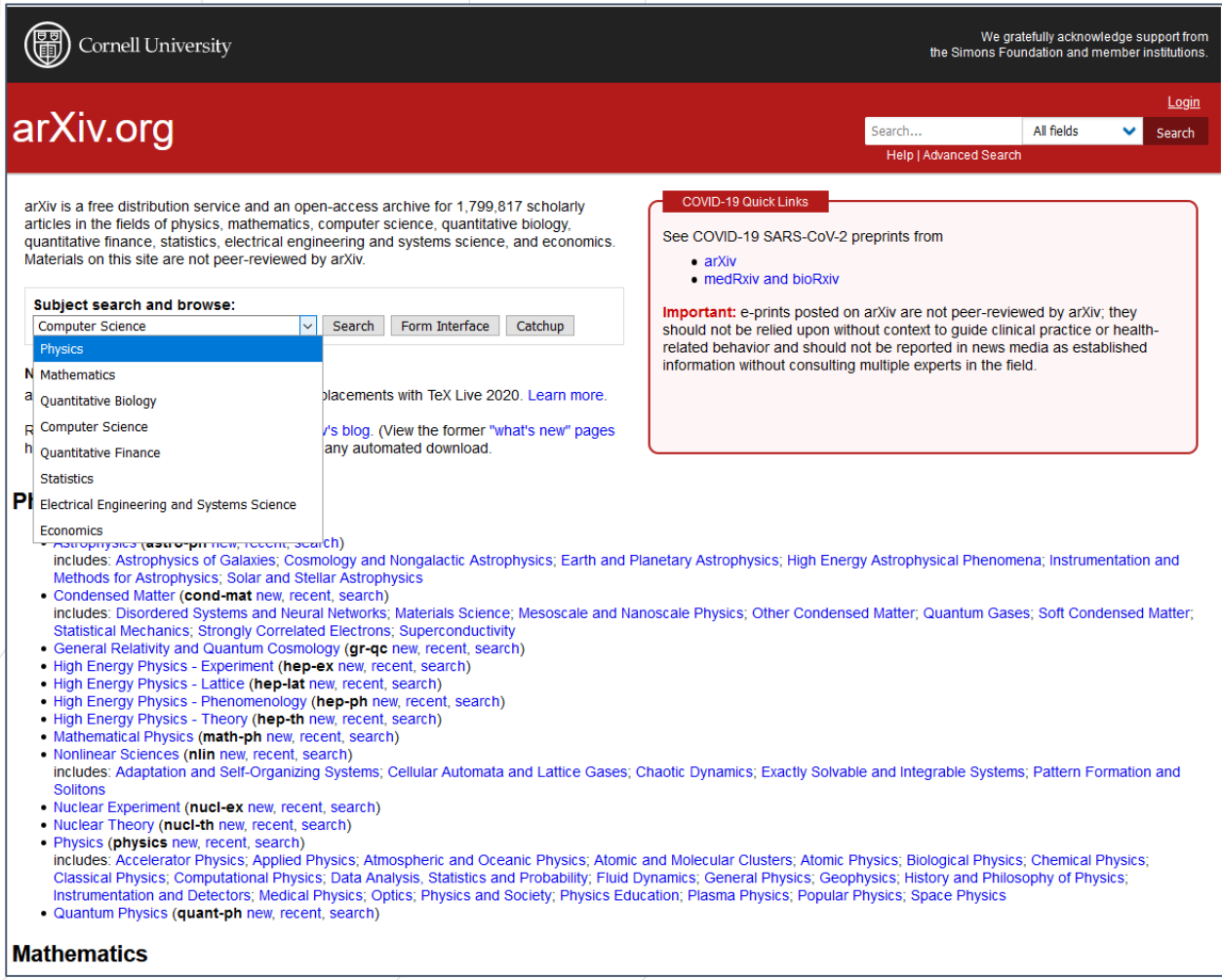
- Follow key scholars and institutions in your research field
- Preprint servers (arXiv, bioRxiv, others): articles published before peer review
- Conference papers, conference proceeding books
- Informal exploration of early-stage ideas: blogs, social networks, lectures



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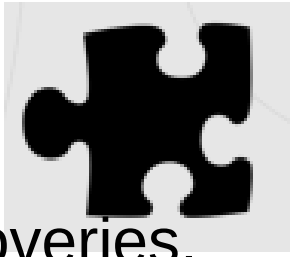
5. READING & ORGANIZING SOURCES

Reading: Smart, Careful, Mindful



- Essential part of keeping up-to-date with current research (new discoveries, leading authors, context of one‘s own research)
- Prerequisites for writing (writing habits in the field, argumentation, citing)

TIPS

- Be smart and picky; focus on abstract, conclusion, and specific issues before deciding to read the whole paper carefully
- Make notes from the very beginning; it will save your time later
- Managing sources: create your own system to organize materials and thoughts, be systematic

Managing Sources – Tips & Tricks

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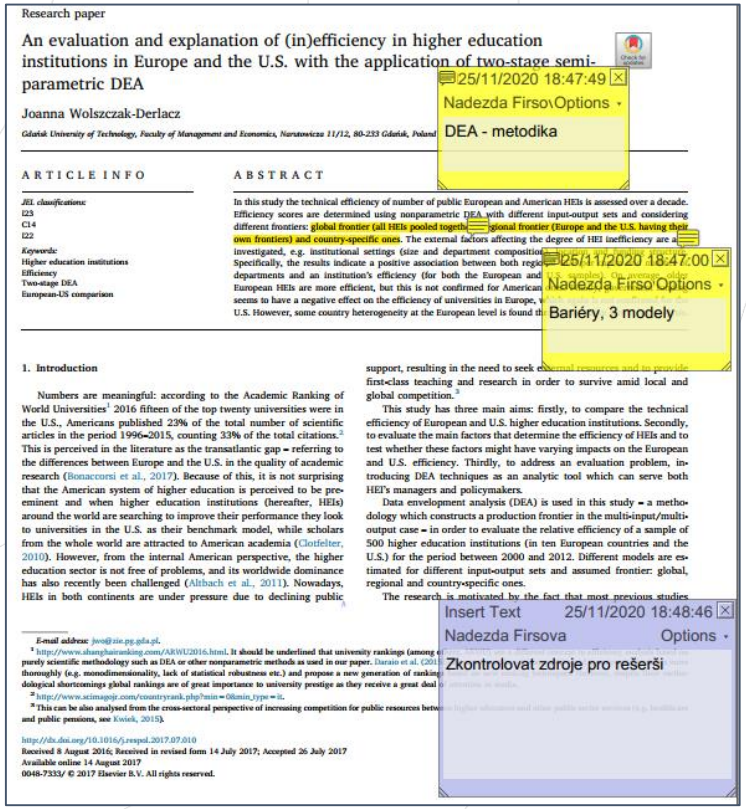
- Notes (electronic vs. written): important information, relationship to your work (methodology, contradictory or confirmatory conclusions, and so on)
- Folders, tags, or ranking system to differentiate between documents
- Citation management tools



Example of electronic notes

Example of written notes

Citation Management Tools

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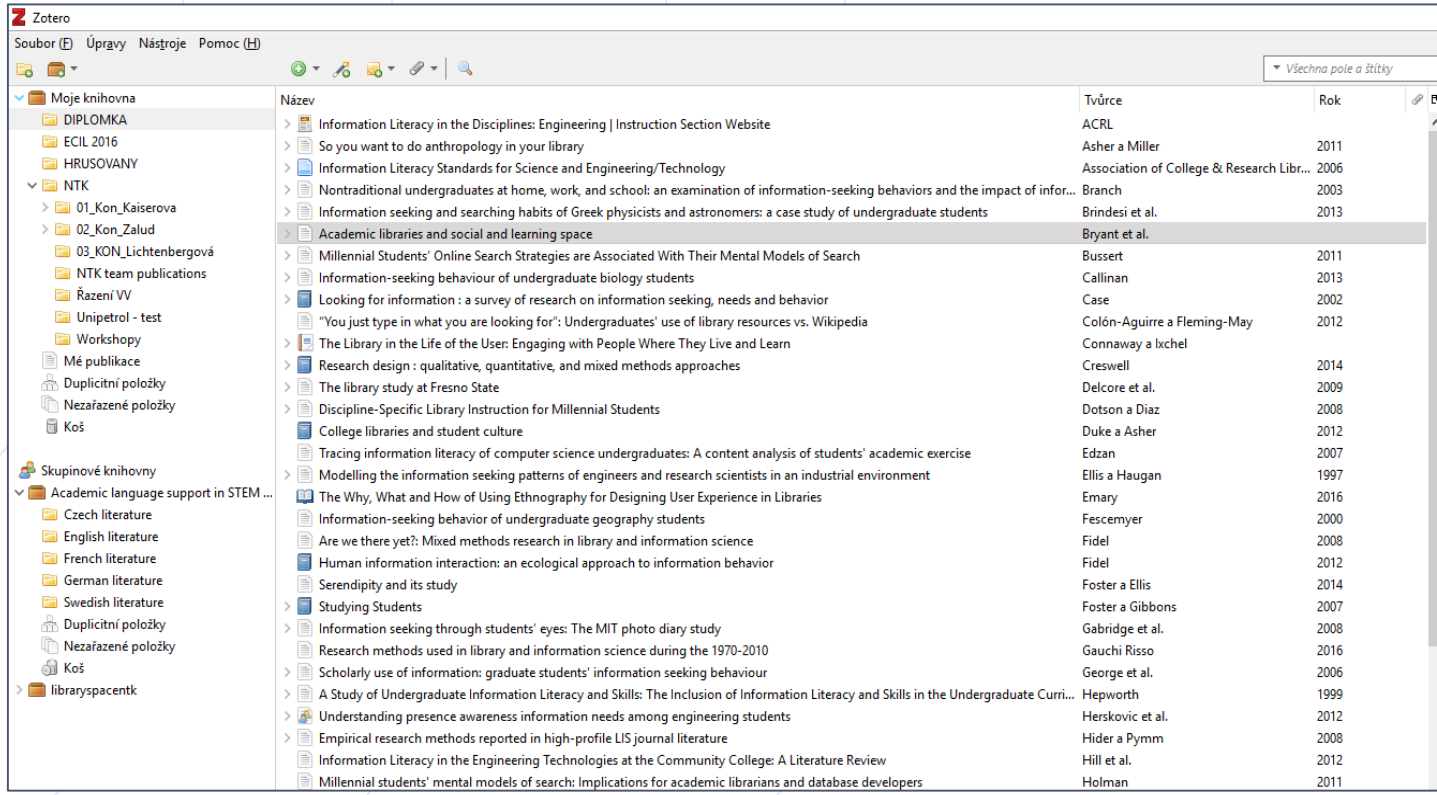
- Download and manage citations
- Create personal library
- Insert tags and notes
- Collaboration
- Generation of reference list
- Integrate with word processing software tools for easy insertion of citations into documents



Zotero

CitacePRO

Mendeley

Citavi

JabRef (integrated with LaTeX)

EndNote (subscription for UCT students)

Use them, but don't trust them absolutely!

6. PUBLISHING AND PRESENTING RESEARCH OUTPUTS

Searching High-quality Journals and Conferences

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- Ask your mentor and/or peers
- Use citation and analytical databases to identify reliable journals and conferences:

  Web of Science, Scopus, Inspec Analytics
- Try recommender services such as Elsevier JournalFinder, WoS Manuscript Matcher
- Review the quality & reputation (journal metrics, editorial board, conference organizers, mentor recommendations), peer-review process and author services provided; read tips about avoiding predatory and questionable conferences
- Consider relevance of the conference to your field as well as its intended audience
- Open Access, Open Data
- Article processing charge (APC) and other costs and benefits
- Learn whether you can submit the same content to multiple journals or conferences at the same time (or not)

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Summary

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- Activate **Library links on Google Scholar**
- Always make sure you are logged into the library web for **off-campus access to full-text articles**
- Contact your librarian for materials that are hard-to-find
- Make notes and create your own system to organize materials from the very beginning of a project
- Use citation managers, but don’t trust them absolutely
- Critically consider journals and conferences and be aware of the publishing and conference submission process

Get Assistance

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1) Schedule a consultation

- Please don't be shy; our team includes doctoral students who know, the issues you face
- LaTeX support, Bibliometric services

2) Attend a webinar

3) Explore by yourself

- STEMskiller: comprehensive skills set map for early career researchers
- Tutorials: NTK instructional materials and recordings, further resources
- Subject guides

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Thank you

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