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Google Scholar guide

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Google Scholar is a Google tool for searching scholarly literature. It searches peer-reviewed papers, theses, books, preprints, abstracts and technical reports from broad areas of research.

Advantages: familiar Google interface, free searching, cited by articles, links to different full-text versions available, related articles

Disadvantages: limited information within Google Scholar about article, e.g. abstracts, very limited search tool, filters and limiters, duplicate results

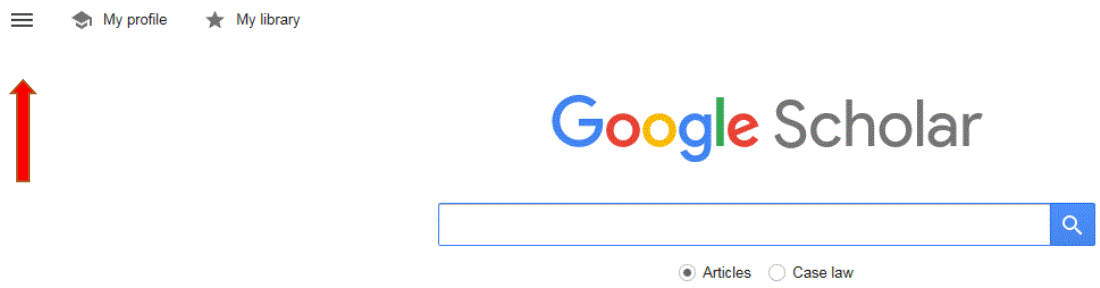
Access Google Scholar at http://scholar.google.com

Access to full-text articles from Google Scholar

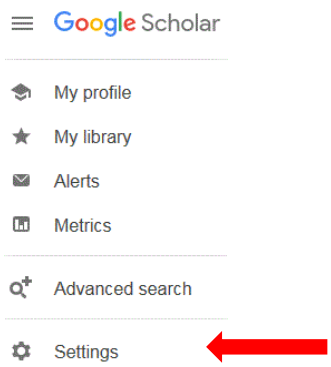
Library links for access to DDUH and TCD subscribed articles

Set up / login before you start

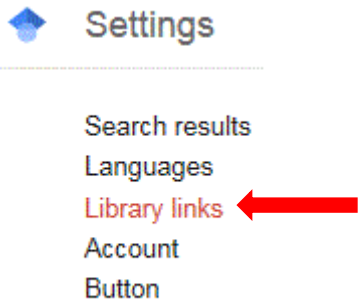
Go to Google Scholar and click the menu icon ☰ at the top left of the page.



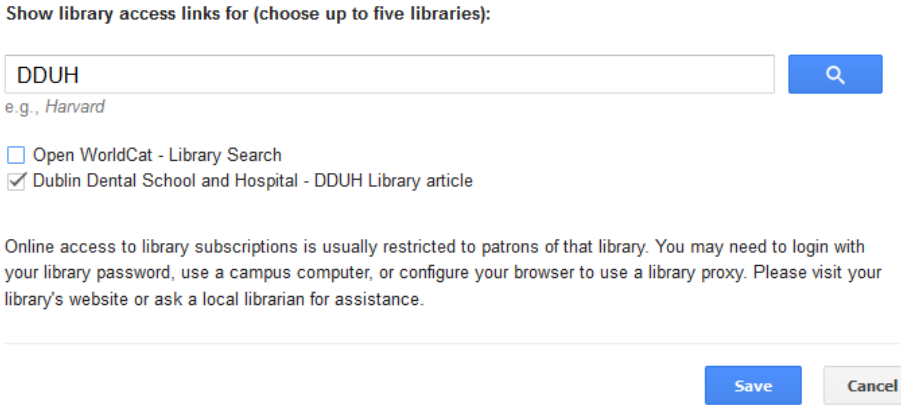
Choose **Settings** from the menu.



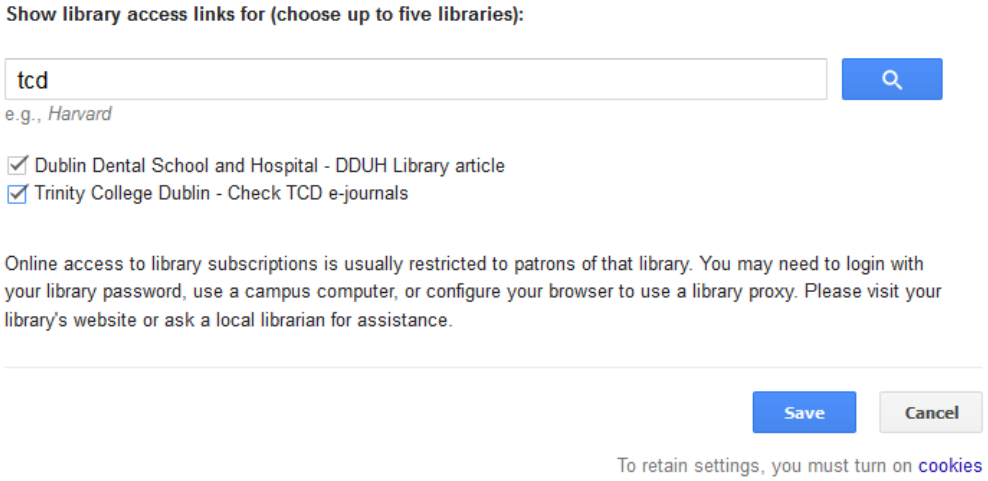
Choose Library Links



Search for libraries and tick the ones you wish to add, e.g. **DDUH**. De-select Worldcat. Click Save.



TCD (TCD login and password will be required) > Tick > Save



Campus Activated Subscriber Access (CASA)

If you search Google Scholar from your mobile phone or tablet while using DDUH WiFi, it will enable you to access DDUH subscribed full-text articles from participating publishers for 30 days. This also applies to staff using DDUH owned laptops. Login to your Google account to enable this method for your other devices. You must also log into your Google account on any other devices you want this applied to.

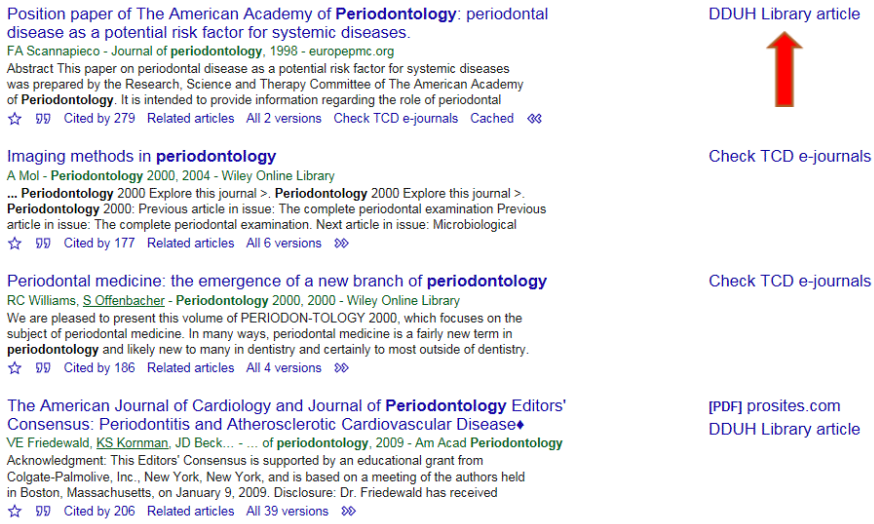
The same applies if you search Google Scholar while using TCD WiFi enabling access to TCD subscribed articles.

Once enabled, the same will apply to PubMed and Google searches.

Accessing full-text

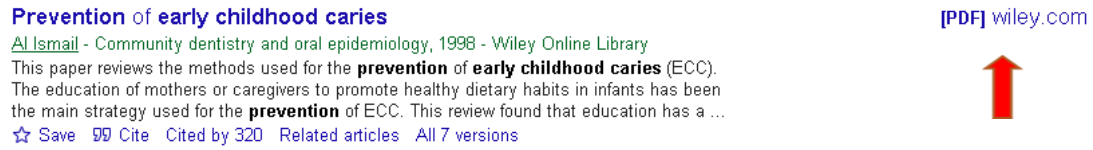
Library links

Links to the full-text are on the right



Select **DDUH Library article** (includes details of print copies) or **Check TCD e-journals**. Your **Athens login** (DDUH) or **TCD login** may be required.

Open Access articles



Full-text articles without direct link

Double-check the libraries by searching for the **journal title** in **DDUH electronic journals** or **TCD e-journals** (if affiliated). Any article unavailable can be requested from DDUH Library.

Search tools

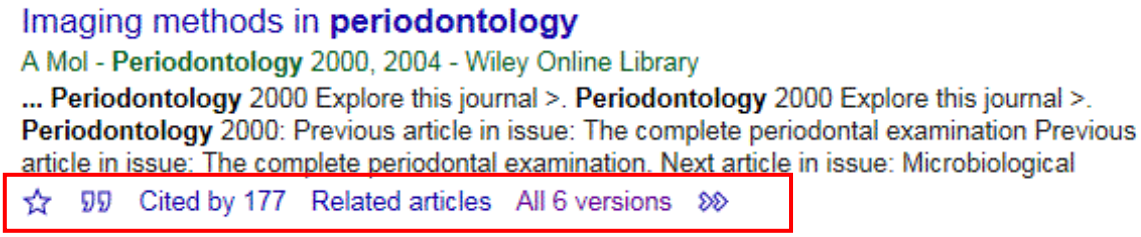
Search filters

Filter options for Scholar searches
(on the left of the search results)

- **Date range**
- Sort by relevance or date
- Limit to **Review articles**
- Include/exclude patents / citations
- **Create email alert**: sign up to this option, if you wish to get an email alert anytime a new article is published online that matches your original search criteria.

Finding related articles

Menu options for each Scholar search result are below the search result

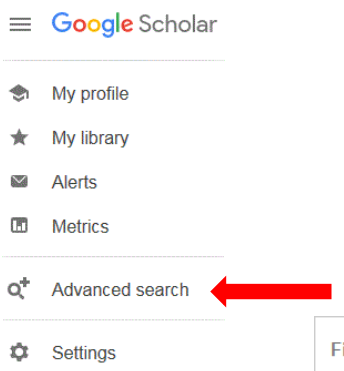


Cited By – lists other papers that have cited this article. Useful for identifying newer papers on your topic

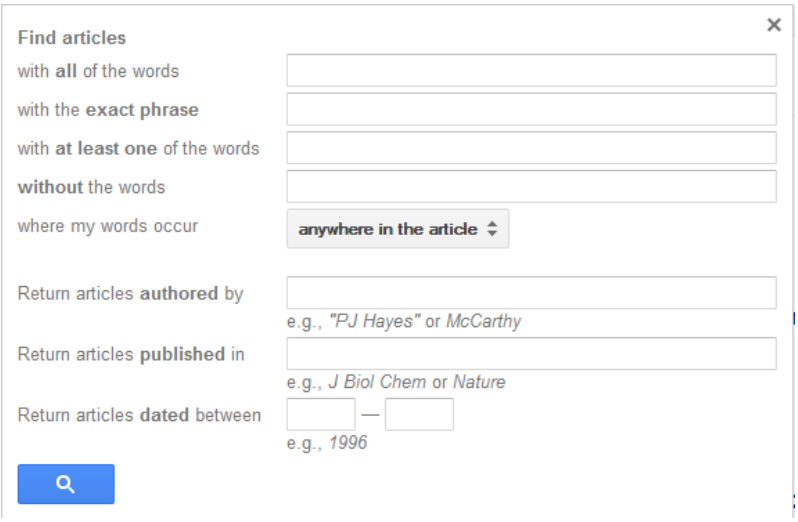
Related articles – lists similar articles.

Google advanced search

Access Google Scholar Advanced via the menu icon in the top left-hand corner.



You can use simple search tools (including Boolean logic) as in databases. Combining search tools can have unintended results and cannot be relied on.



Exporting references to Endnote

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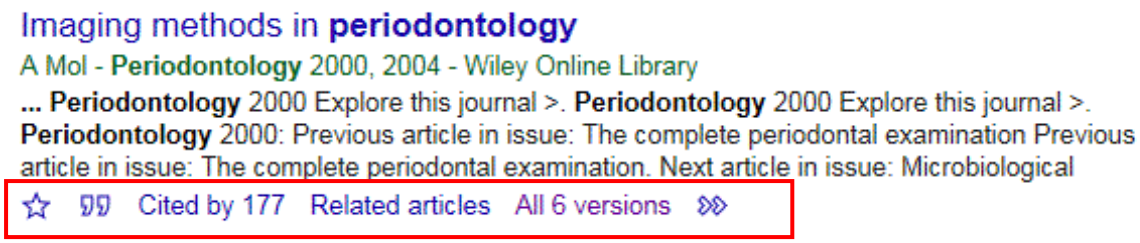
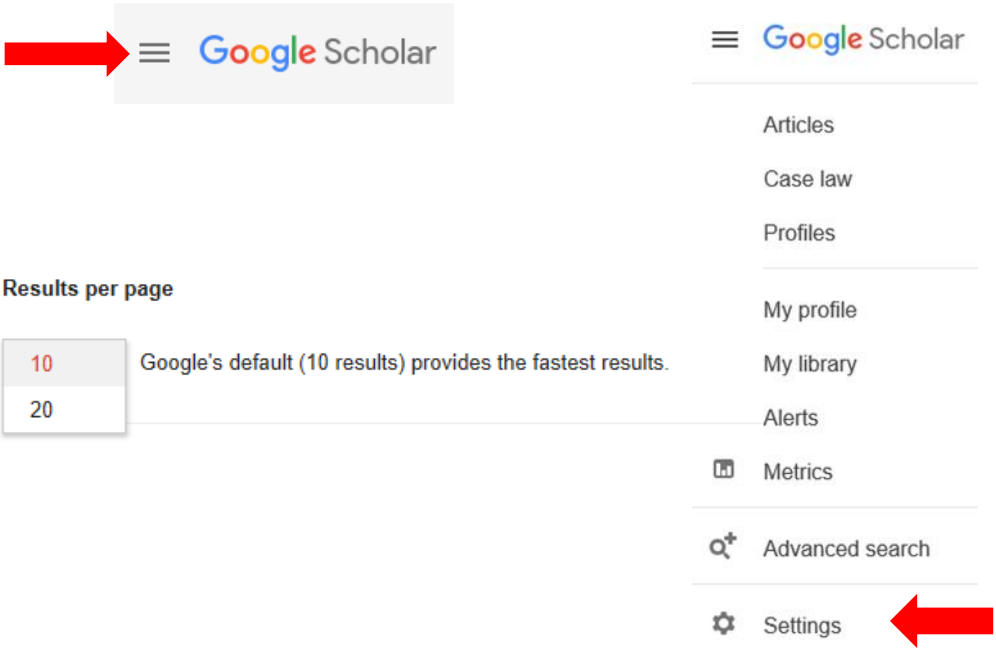


Exporting a single reference

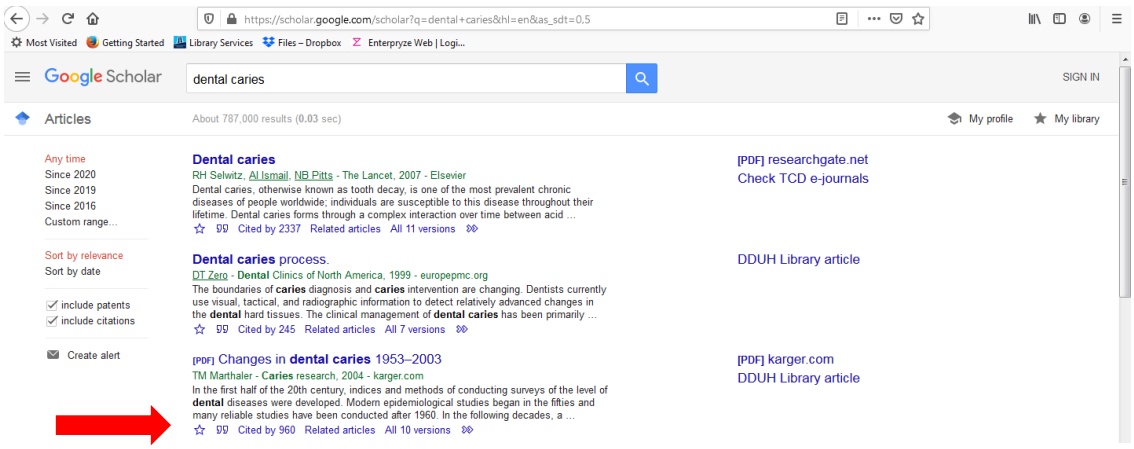
Click the cite symbol and select Endnote in the popup window. You will be given the option to open or save the citation to Endnote.

Exporting multiple references to Endnote

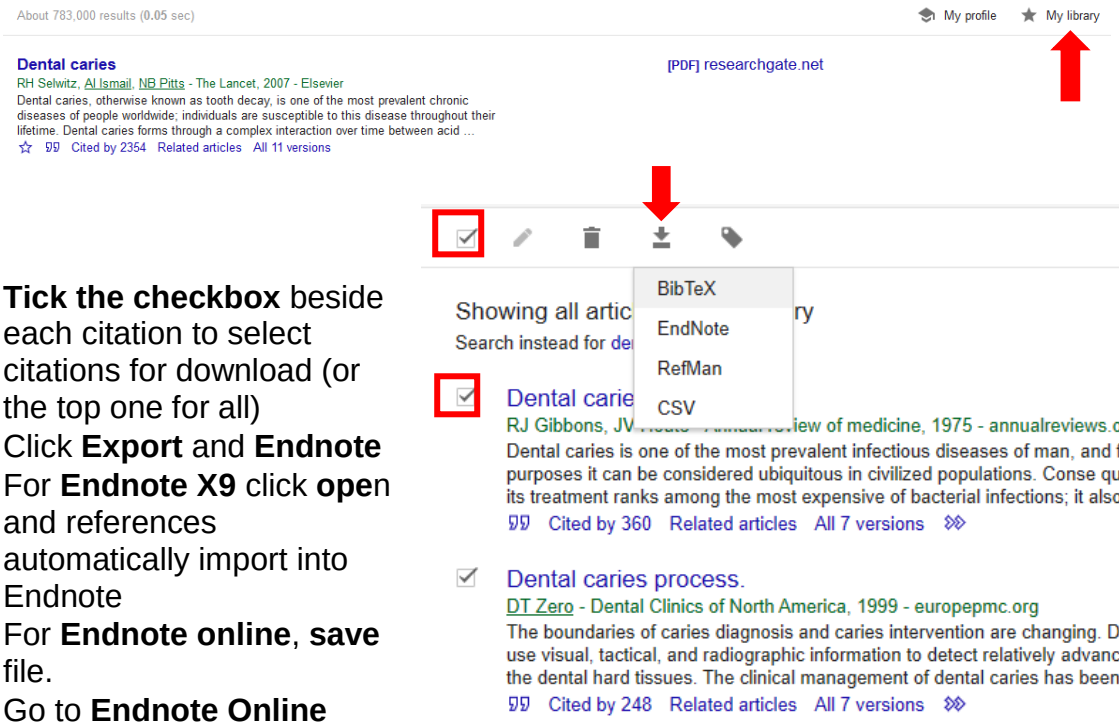
- **Multiple references** (20 max)
- **Log in** to your **Google account**
- Default allows download of 10 citations at a time. To download more, navigate to the **Settings** in **Google Scholar** to set the **display to 20 items** (max.)



- Click on the **star** just below citations to add references to "My Library".



- Click on **My Library** to see the saved citations. You can also save references here.



- **Tick the checkbox** beside each citation to select citations for download (or the top one for all)
- Click **Export** and **Endnote**
- For **Endnote X9** click **ope**n and references automatically import into Endnote
- For **Endnote online**, **save** file.
- Go to **Endnote Online**
- Go to **Collect** > **Import references**
- Browse for the file you saved.
- Select **Import Option Endnote Import**
- Choose which Group to import to
- Click **Import**.