

Getting started with - EDINA SALSER

HOW TO ACCESS SALSER (SCOTTISH ACADEMIC LIBRARIES SERIALS)

You can access EDINA SALSER from the "Login to SALSER" link, at <http://edina.ac.uk/salser>, or from the link on your library web pages. No login or password are required.

The service opens at the **Search** screen. This screen has been designed for ease of use. These tips refer only to the use of this screen. You can get help with more advanced searching at <http://edina.ac.uk/salser/docs.html>

HOW TO SEARCH QUICKLY:

Follow the numbered instructions on the **Search Screen** below.

1 Click on the down arrow here to determine the type of search.

Title contains will find your search term(s) anywhere in the journal title, in any order.

Title starts with will find only journals with your term at the beginning of the title, in the same order you typed the words in.

Title is will only find an exact match for your term(s), in the same order you typed the words.

ISSN is will find a Journal by its International Standard Serial Number.

2 Type your search terms (words) here, i.e. Biology. **TIP!** You can use an asterisk for truncation to search for variations on a word. Cell* will find cell, cells, cellular, cellulose etc.

3 Choose the number of records you wish to display per screen (between 1 and 25).

4 Select the libraries you wish to search by clicking in the boxes in the lower half of the screen.

The default is All SALSER Libraries.

5 Click on Search when you are ready

The SALSER Search Screen

TIP! This is the toolbar

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Title contains **2**

View 10 records per page, sorted by Library (for fewer than **100** records)

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Select which libraries to search (click on the library or group name for more information):

<input type="checkbox"/> All Scotland's University and Research Libraries	<p>National and City Libraries</p> <input type="checkbox"/> National Library of Scotland <input type="checkbox"/> Edinburgh City Libraries <input type="checkbox"/> Mitchell Library, Glasgow	<p>Scottish Universities</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Aberdeen <input type="checkbox"/> Abertay Dundee <input type="checkbox"/> Dundee <input type="checkbox"/> Edinburgh <input type="checkbox"/> Edinburgh College of Art <input type="checkbox"/> Glasgow <input type="checkbox"/> Glasgow Caledonian <input type="checkbox"/> Glasgow School of Art <input type="checkbox"/> Heriot-Watt
	<p>Library Groups</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Edinburgh Libraries Federation <input type="checkbox"/> Glasgow HEI Union List of Serials	<p>Area Groups</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Aberdeen area <input type="checkbox"/> Edinburgh area <input type="checkbox"/> Glasgow area <input type="checkbox"/> Fife and Tayside

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SEARCH
clear search

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Related Information Sources
[COPAC](#) - union catalogue (of monographs & serials) for 20 leading research libraries
[Ulrich's/ftml International Periodicals Directory](#) (subscription service)
[ISSN Online](#) - the ISSN Register

Development Area
[Cross-searching OPACs using Z39.50](#) (this will run in a new browser window)

NOTE

The area below the search button contains two separate information areas:

Related Information Sources displays links to other web sites for searching serials records. You will find instructions on using them on the site itself.

Development Area

This area contains facilities under development that are useful to librarians and researchers.

Please turn over to see what a list of journals found by a search looks like.

Results from the search “biology”. Use the numbers on the screen to see what each part is.

The screenshot shows the EDINA SALSER search results page for the query "biology". The page is annotated with numbered callouts (1-6) pointing to specific features:

- 1**: Points to the first record title, "Yale journal of biology and medicine".
- 2**: Points to the "Jump to:" pagination options (1, 11, 21, 31, 41, 51, ..., 1211).
- 3**: Points to the "Aberdeen" library filter in the sidebar.
- 4**: Points to the checkbox next to the first record.
- 5**: Points to the "mark all on page" button.
- 6**: Points to the "Marked Records" link in the top navigation bar.

LOOKING AT RECORDS

- 1** A list of results found is displayed in the centre of the screen. To view a record in more detail, click on the name of the Journal
- 2** You may jump forward or back in your list of records by clicking one of the numbers in “Jump to”
- 3** The number of results found at each library is displayed on the left, to see only the results for one library click on its name

MARKING RECORDS (FOR EMAILING OR PRINTING)

- 4** To mark a record (for emailing to yourself or printing), click on the box to the right of the record
- 5** You may mark all the records on one page by clicking “mark all on page”, or unmark them by clicking “unmark all on page”
- 6** Click on “Marked Records” to look at the records you have marked. You can print your records from any screen you choose, by selecting the **Print** button on your browser. To email your marked records, click on “e-mail” at the top of the screen, enter your email address in the “E-mail address” field and press “E-MAIL”. Please be careful how you enter the address as it is not checked for accuracy.

PERFORMING ANOTHER SEARCH

You may click on “New Search” on the toolbar to perform another search.

LEAVING SALSER

Click on “Exit” in the toolbar to log out of SALSER.

HOW DO I FIND THE JOURNAL OR ARTICLE I HAVE FOUND?

Method 1: Journal at a local library

- 1) From the detailed record (get to it using instruction **1** above), scroll to the bottom of the page and select the “info” button to the right of the record.
- 2) Follow the instructions on the library’s web site to connect to their catalogue to find the journal you are looking for and to find out if it is on the shelf at the library.
- 3) Check any reciprocal agreement with your own library before going to the library to borrow or photocopy an article from the journal.

Method 2: Journal at a library not local to your area.

Your library should be able to obtain a copy of the journal for you (or a photocopy of an article). Ask a librarian how this is dealt with at your library. You may be charged for this service.

FOR MORE HELP

You may select “Help” at any time from the SALSER toolbar.