

# Guide to nature.com

## The nature.com homepage

This guide provides a quick overview of what you can access from the nature.com homepage, and illustrates some of the tools and services available. If you are searching for information, browsing for related articles, or setting up personal alerts via email or RSS feed, knowing how to navigate your way around nature.com will make your life easier.

The image shows a screenshot of the nature.com homepage with several callout boxes pointing to specific features:

- Clicking on the cover will take you straight to the current issue of Nature**: Points to the 'Nature Journal' cover.
- Manage your nature.com account**: Points to the 'My account' link in the top right navigation bar.
- Search to find the content you need**: Points to the search bar at the top of the page.
- A-Z listing provides links to all journals, services and gateways on nature.com**: Points to the 'Publications A-Z' link in the 'Inside nature.com' section.
- View regional portals highlighting science and research from those regions**: Points to the 'Nature.com regions' section.
- Browse Naturejobs for vacancies and career information**: Points to the 'naturejobs.com' link.
- Listen to the weekly Nature Podcast and other NPG journal podcasts**: Points to the 'Multimedia' section.
- Find valuable tools to help in your research, such as Protocol Exchange and Nature Network**: Points to the 'Gateways and Databases' section.
- View the list of conferences organized by Nature Conferences and associated partners**: Points to the 'Conferences' section.
- Click here to check out the latest blogs and comments**: Points to the 'Blogs' section.
- Top news stories are regularly updated here**: Points to the 'What is it like to be invisible?' article.
- A selection of articles from across the NPG journal portfolio**: Points to the 'Latest research' section.
- Recent press releases can be accessed here**: Points to the 'NPG in the news' section.
- Explore the full portfolio by subject to find the content most relevant to you**: Points to the 'Browse subjects' section.
- Visit other sections of the website via these links**: Points to the 'Information' section at the bottom.

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## Register for your free nature.com account

To get the best results from nature.com, start by registering your own account. These three simple steps will provide single sign-on access across nature.com, which is essential if you have a personal subscription.

The screenshot shows the registration page on nature.com. At the top, there is a search bar and the nature.com logo. The main heading is "Register now!". Below this, there is a paragraph explaining the benefits of a free account and a note that fields marked with an asterisk are required. A link to "Create or link to your ORCID record" is provided. The registration form consists of several sections: 1. Personal information: Name (First and Last), E-mail address, Password (with a strength indicator), Confirm password, and Terms and conditions. 2. Personalization: "Tell us a bit about yourself..." section with dropdown menus for Affiliation/Employer, Job Title, Industry, Area of interest, and Specialities. 3. E-alerts: "FREE research alerts and special offers via e-mail" section with checkboxes for various newsletters and alerts. 4. A "More FREE alerts" link. 5. A "Register" button. 6. A "Nature Registration" footer with links to About NPG, Contact NPG, Accessibility statement, Help, Privacy policy, Use of cookies, Terms, Naturejobs, Nature Asia, Nature Education, and RSS web feeds. A search bar is also present in the footer.

**Complete your personal information**

**Registration benefits**

1. Free articles and content
2. Free subscription newsletters to your favorite products
3. Free nature.com subject alerts for content from across NPG journals

**Select your preferred e-alerts**

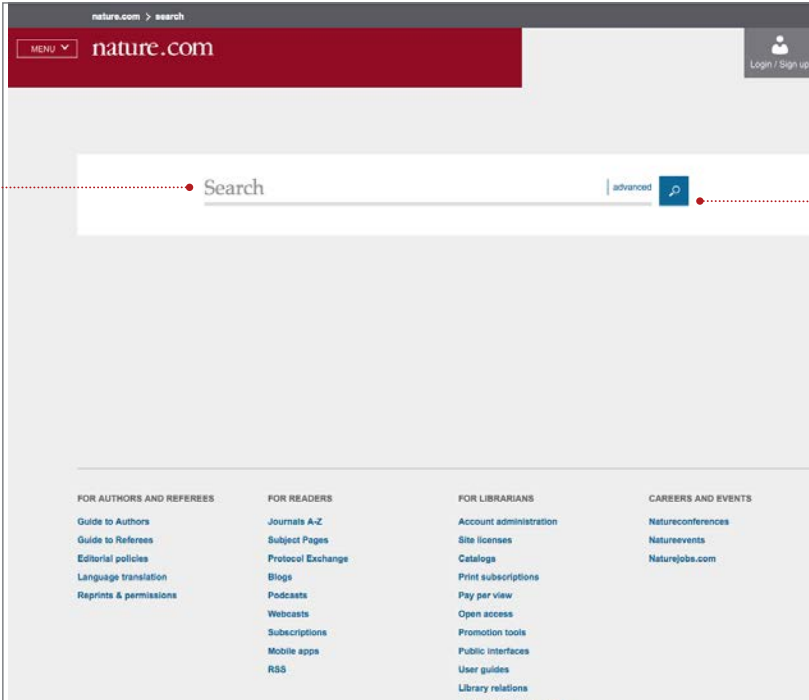
**Expand here to select more subject and discipline specific alerts**

**Check your details, and when you're ready, click Register!**

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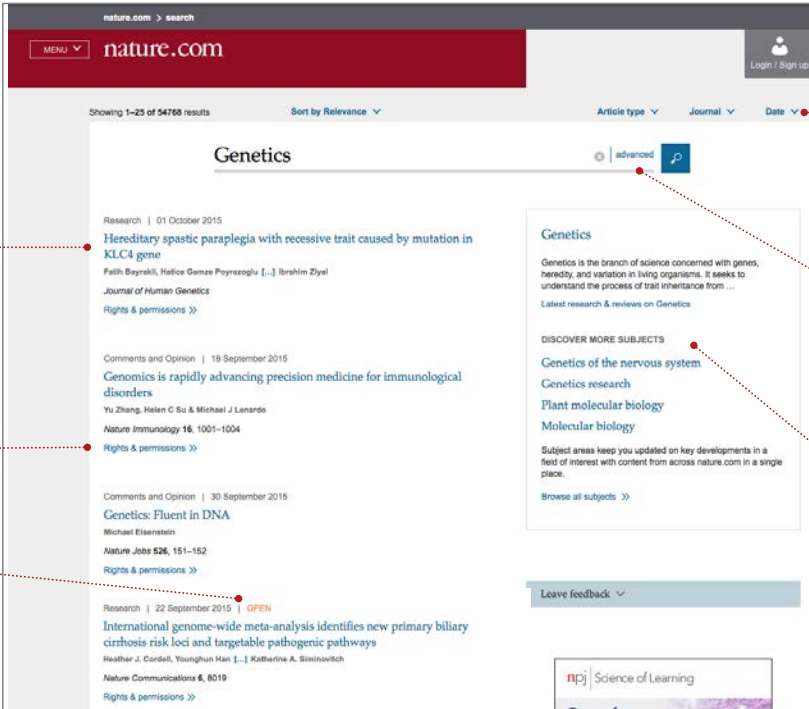
## Searching for the answers?

Finding the right information on nature.com is easy and intuitive. Search boxes appear in the top right corner of all journal pages, with the Advanced Search option delivering more refined results.



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of nature.com with a search box. A callout box on the left points to the search input field with the text "Search by keywords". A callout box on the right points to the magnifying glass icon with the text "Click on the Magnifying glass to complete search". Below the search bar, there are four columns of links for different user groups: FOR AUTHORS AND REFEREES, FOR READERS, FOR LIBRARIANS, and CAREERS AND EVENTS.

After you click on the magnifying glass your search results should appear as followed:



The screenshot shows the search results for "Genetics". Callouts include: "Click on the link to read the abstract or go to the full text article" pointing to the article title; "Use our online system to get permissions to reuse NPG content" pointing to the "Rights & permissions" link; "Articles marked OPEN are available for anyone to read for free" pointing to the "OPEN" badge; "Filter results by relevance, article type, journal and date" pointing to the filter dropdowns; "Make your search more specific via the 'advanced search' function (see below in advanced functionality)" pointing to the "advanced" search button; and "More subjects related to search field" pointing to the "DISCOVER MORE SUBJECTS" section.

Advanced Search Functionality - search by;

- Key **terms** with an article
- **Author** name
- Words within the title
- **Publication date**
- Journal name with **volume #** or **article starting page/** article #

Once you have defined your search, click on the search button at the bottom of the page.

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## Go beyond the article

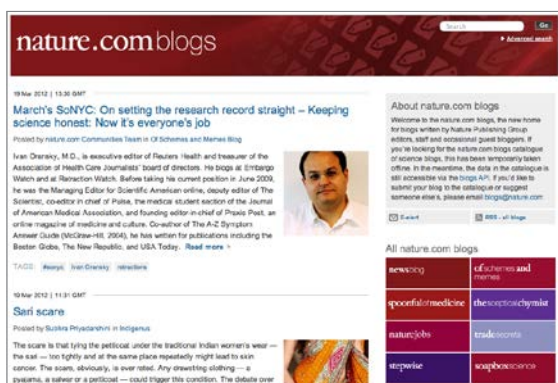
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