

What is an E-Journal?

E-Journals are digitalized journals which you can read on the Web. Considering their convenience and up-to-date information, they are indispensable as a research tool.

The advantages of e-journals compared to printed journals

- ★ Regardless of the libraries' hours of operation, you can read them 24 hours a day.
- ★ Several people can read the same journal at the same time.
- ★ You can read the newest article as soon as it is made available.
- ★ You can read them at a laboratory or a Media Center PC even without going to the library.
- ★ There are many links to related articles, cited articles, and so on.

The file style of e-journals

E-journals are mainly formatted as **PDF** or **HTML** files. You can read and download them by using web browsers.

Types of available e-journals

Many e-journals are available, especially international academic journals held at Kyoto University. We hold with a lot of e-journals about science, technology, pharmacy, and medicine.



How to use E-Journals


You can use E-journals in the following ways:

A: From the Kyoto University E-Journals List

- 1 . Access the Kyoto University E-Journals List (<http://www.kulib.kyoto-u.ac.jp/erdb/13502>).
- 2 . Search for articles you want by using a journal title.

★ Please read "Kyoto University Libraries Electronic Resources Help: Searching the E-journals List" (<http://www.kulib.kyoto-u.ac.jp/erdb/13508>) [Japanese only] for details about how to search the E-Journals List.

B: From the result of searching Kyoto University Libraries Online Catalog, "KULINE"

- 1 . Search KULINE for a journal you want to read.
- 2 . Open the screen of bibliography details of the journal, and click the Article Linker Icon .
- 3 . The **full-text link** at the Article Linker window will be displayed, if the e-journal is available. Click the link and access the e-journal.

C: From the result of Kyoto University Database List

- 1 . Access the Kyoto University Database List (<http://edb.kulib.kyoto-u.ac.jp/gakunaidb.html>), and search for databases.
- 2 . If the Article Linker Icon  and e-journal links are displayed when searching the database list, click them and access the e-journal.

E-journals are available on campus, for example, in laboratories and Media Center PCs.

★ You can use e-journals from off-campus, via remote access service (VPN service). Please read "How to use e-journals / databases via KUINS Remote Access services" (<http://www.kulib.kyoto-u.ac.jp/erdb/13505>) for details.

NOTICE! Need for Educational Computer System's ID when accessing e-journals.

You need to authenticate your user status by **ECS-ID**, "a0*****" or **SPS-ID**, "tar0123kyodai" and password when you access e-journals. Please read "E-Journal and Database Certification System" of the Kyoto University E-Journals List for the details.

How to read E-Journals

The E-journal interface differs among publishers and journals. Please see the following example.

An example of an E-journal interface from publisher's web site (Elsevier : Science Direct)

The screenshot shows the ScienceDirect website interface. Callout boxes provide the following information:

- List of Volumes:** Please select the volume you want to read. (Points to the volume list on the left sidebar.)
- Journal title and cover image:** General information about the journal, for example, journal title or cover image will be displayed here. (Points to the 'Cancer Cell' journal header.)
- Article Title / Pages / Author Name:** (Points to the article details for 'Why Proteasome Inhibitors Cannot ERADicate Multiple Myeloma').
- Subscribe today:** Which journal will you choose. (Points to the 'Subscribe today' button.)
- Link to full text and preview:** The full text will be displayed when you click the link. **Show preview** ... Abstract, Figures/Tables, References, link to Main Text are available. **PDF** ... Full text is formatted as PDF file. (Points to the 'Show preview' and 'PDF' links.)
- Cartoon character:** A cartoon character with a thought bubble that says: "If you find 'FULL TEXT' or 'PDF', please click them to access e-journals."

Rule of using E-Journals

When you use e-journals, you must follow the rules of use decided by publishers.

Main Prohibitions

- Downloading or printing out large amounts of data, such as the entire issue of an e-journal
- Downloading, saving, or printing materials for purposes other than individual research or education
- Activities such as data manipulation, reproduction, distribution, or reselling of materials

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- ★ If you have trouble such that you cannot access e-journals, please see the "Kyoto University Libraries Electronic Resources Help" : Troubleshooting (<http://www.kulib.kyoto-u.ac.jp/erdb/13514>) [Japanese only].
- ★ Please feel free to ask the Reference Section ref660@mail2.adm.kyoto-u.ac.jp about how to use e-journals.