

## 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 link below "E-Journals / E-books."

### 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.

### NOTICE! Install the "e-Journal and Database Authentication System" before accessing e-journals.

To access e-resources including e-journals, the installment of a designated plug-in is required.

Please get the guide at "How to use e-resources" (<https://www.kulib.kyoto-u.ac.jp/erdb/13505?lang=en>).

The plug-in can be installed to **Windows, Mac or Linux OS and Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox browser.**

★ You can use e-journals from off-campus by activate the plug-in.

## 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 for the journal 'Cancer Cell'. The interface includes a header with the ScienceDirect logo, navigation links for 'Journals & Books', search, and user options like 'Register' and 'Sign in'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Journal title and cover image:** A callout box points to the journal title 'Cancer Cell' and its cover image, which also displays the CiteScore (40.7) and Impact Factor (26.602).
- List of Volumes:** A callout box points to the 'Latest issues' section, which lists 'Volume 38, Issue 5' (pp. 591-748, 9 November 2020) and 'Volume 38, Issue 4' (pp. 429-590, 12 October 2020).
- Articles:** A callout box points to the 'Articles' section, which lists 'Normal Somatic Mutations in Cancer Transformation' by Nishika Wijewardhane, et al. (In Press, Corrected Proof, Available online 20 November 2020) and 'Molecular Features of Cancers Exhibiting Exceptional Responses to Treatment' by David A. Wheeler, et al. (In Press, Corrected Proof, Available online 19 November 2020).
- Link to PDF:** A callout box points to the 'Download PDF' link for the first article.
- Link to full text and preview:** A callout box points to the 'Show preview' and 'PDF' links for the first article.

**Link to full text and preview**

The full text will be displayed when you click the title.  
**Show preview** ... Abstract, Figures/Tables, References, link to Main Text are available.  
**PDF** ... Full text is formatted as PDF file.



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
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- Activities such as data manipulation, reproduction, distribution, or reselling of materials

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