Your Path to Discovery

Students and researchers frequently encounter unfamiliar topics and concepts and require background reading and contextual knowledge to progress. But finding one’s path through the published literature can be overwhelming. It is easy to be caught up in siloed information, untrusted sources and site hopping just to explore a single idea or topic.

That is why we created ScienceDirect Topics. Our free topic pages, extending across 20 scientific disciplines, provide readers with a comprehensive database of reliable background and contextual information making it easy to get up to speed with new and unfamiliar concepts. They connect researchers to summarized knowledge and act as a discovery tool for further trusted reading, making this the ideal environment for intuitive learning and for sparking creativity.

The frequent use of topic pages alongside journal articles demonstrates how essential it is for content to be available from a mixture of resources – journals, books and reference works – in order to successfully master your coursework, conduct research or plan your teaching materials.

ScienceDirect Topics takes your studies and research to the next level by:

- Offering an easy, interactive experience for students learning a new concept or understanding a journal article
- Providing authoritative introductory overviews to help you understand and interpret scientific literature
- Expediting research while increasing the depth of your understanding on a topic
- Enabling quick exploration of a novel subject when carrying out interdisciplinary research
- Pulling content from a range of book sources to connect the dots between ideas, facilitating cognitive leaps to move discoveries forward
- Providing a necessary bridge between journals and books to speed up research outcomes

The Power of ScienceDirect Topics

- 13 million visits on average per month
- Hyperlinked from over 4.8 million journal articles
- 329,000+ topic pages in 20 disciplines

“ScienceDirect Topics fosters and speeds up insight by bringing comprehensive, trusted, and interdisciplinary knowledge within a user’s natural research workflow.”
Simplifying the Research Workflow

Topic pages are discoverable through search engines, hyperlinked from key terms in journals and book chapters, as well as being directly searchable on ScienceDirect.

Discover the Difference

By applying natural language processing and machine learning techniques to published content, topic pages surface the most relevant snippets of information from books and reference works in succinct, summarized pages.

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“Your research workflow is faster, easier, and less frustrating with the most relevant content at your fingertips.”

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