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Introduction

This month we are upgrading to a new version of NUsearch with new features and enhancements to deliver improvements to the user experience for both Library staff and the university community.

NUsearch will continue to offer the same search, linking, discovery and delivery services, but behind the scenes there are changes that will improve the search experience and discoverability of library resources.

New functionality

Research Assistant

Our new version of NUsearch includes a built-in generative Al-powered **Research Assistant** to help you with your research. The Research Assistant enables you to explore academic content within the library's collections by asking questions in natural language.

You can access the Research Assistant from the main menu at the top of the screen. If you have not already logged into NUsearch, you will be prompted to do so now.

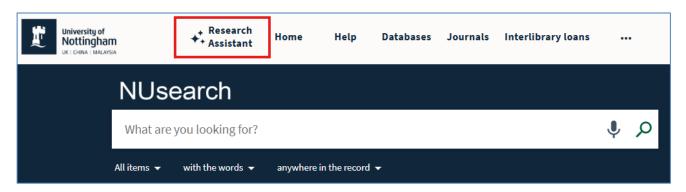


Image 1: The NUsearch main menu with the "Research Assistant" option highlighted.

Enter a question in the Research Assistant search box.

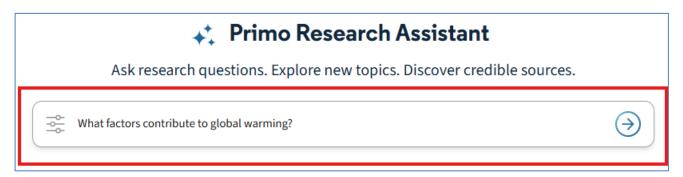


Image 2: The Research Assistant with the search box containing a search query "what factors contribute to global warming?" highlighted.

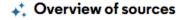
To get the best results, ask clear and detailed questions about academic topics. The query should be phrased in the form of a question or request.

The Research Assistant will return **five sources** most relevant to your question and a short summary of each source's abstract. You can access the source directly by clicking on the **Full Text Online** or **Download PDF** buttons or access the source record in NUsearch via the **More Details and Request Options** button.



Image 3: Research Assistant results for the query "what factors contribute to global warming?" with the "Full Text Online" and "More Details and Request Options" buttons highlighted.

Below the sources, the Research Assistant will give you an **overview of the sources**, included **numbered references** to each source.



Global warming is influenced by a variety of factors, both anthropogenic and natural. The analysis of climatic changes indicates that anthropogenic activities, particularly the emission of greenhouse gases, have been a significant driver of global warming since the onset of industrialization. By 1900, trends attributable to greenhouse gases were already evident in temperature reconstructions, and their influence has intensified over time, dominating recent warming trends

Image 4: The first paragraph from the Research Assistant "Overview of sources" with a numbered reference to one of the sources highlighted.

If you would like to view more results on the same topic in NUsearch, click the **View more results from your library search** option to the right of the sources.

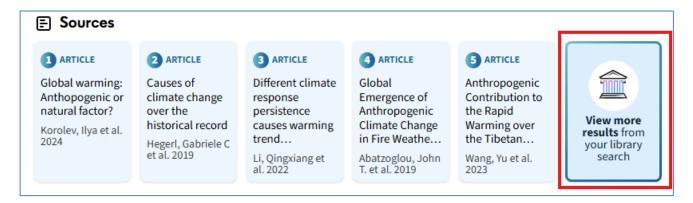


Image 5: The "Sources" section in Research Assistant search results with the "View more results from your library search" option highlighted.

Search inside journals

We have added a new feature to our journal records that enables you to search for articles within the journal.

The new **Search inside** section displays in the full record for all journals with an ISSN that are available electronically.

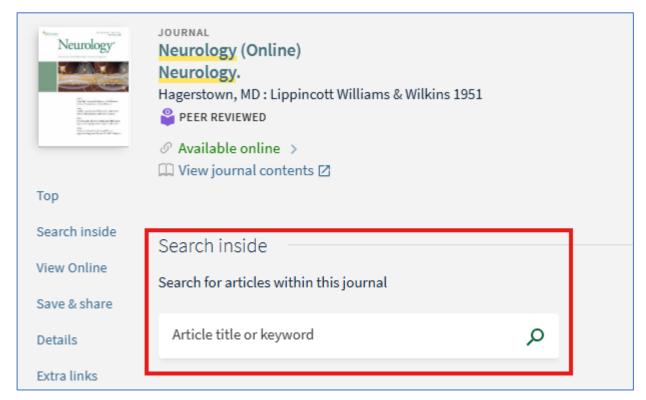


Image 6: A journal record with the "Search inside" section highlighted.

Enter search terms, and NUsearch will perform an **advanced search** that combines your search terms with the ISSN(s) of the journal to return all matching articles within the journal.

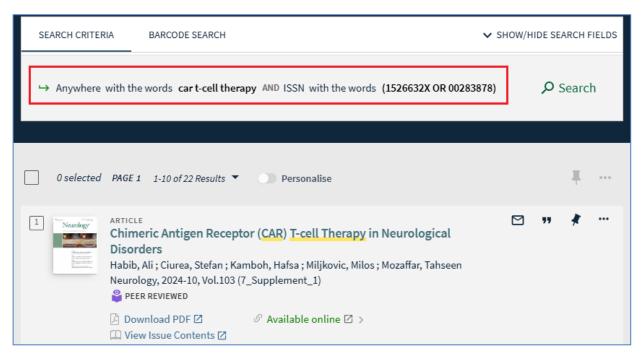


Image 7: Search inside search results showing the advanced search combination of search terms and ISSNs.

Document Insights

We have added a new **Document Insights** button, an Al-powered feature that provides you with additional information about some resources appearing in search results.

Clicking the button opens a new window/tab displaying the full text of the article and Document Insights for the article on the ProQuest platform.



Image 8: An article record in NUsearch with the "Document Insights" button highlighted.

Enhancements

Real-time updates to records

Our new and improved version of NUsearch features real-time updates, meaning that:

- When resources are updated or added, these changes will take effect immediately.
- Digital materials will be available as soon as they are added.
- Your searches will always give you the most up-to-date results.

Changes to filters

Our new version of NUsearch has some changes to the filters you can use to filter your search results.

Changes include a streamlined list of **Key filters**. Use the **Physical resources** filter to show all physical titles held in the library, including titles that have available copies in the library.



Image 9: Key Filters: Available online, Peer-reviewed journals, Open Access, and Physical resources.

Improvements to display and sort order for multiple versions

NUsearch brings together different versions of a work into a group to make it easier for you to find them.

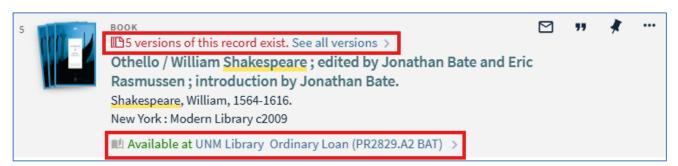


Image 10: A NUsearch result containing 5 different versions of Othello by William Shakespeare. The "See all versions" link and the availability line are highlighted.

We have made a change to the display of these groups so that the most relevant record based on your search terms is displayed in the search results. You can click the availability link at the bottom of the record to open the full item record or you can click the **See all versions** link at the top of the record to view the different versions of the work.

We have also changed the sort order of items within these groups, so that now they are sorted by **publication date**, making it easier to find the most recent edition of a book.

The most relevant record based on your search terms will be displayed at the top so that if it is a large group, it will help you to find the specific version you are looking for quickly.

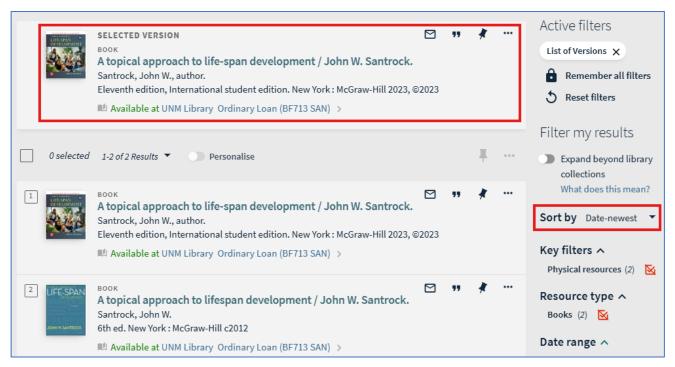


Image 11: A group of 2 versions of A topical approach to life-span development / John W. Santrock, sorted by publication date – newest first. The most relevant record is highlighted at the top as the "selected version".

New citation styles

We have updated the list of citation styles you can choose from when using the citation feature in item records to ensure you have access to the most up-to-date versions of commonly used styles.

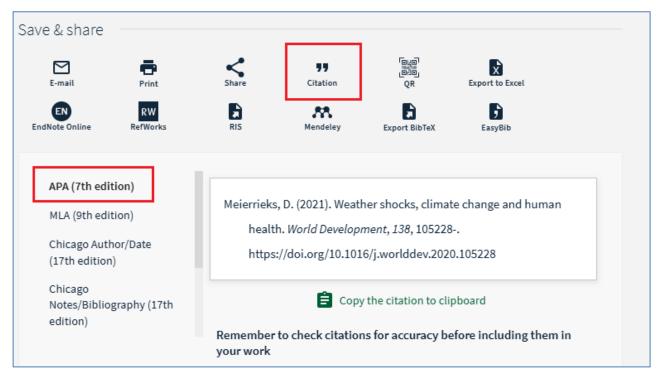


Image 12: Showing a citation for a resource in the APA (7th edition) style using the "Citation" Save & share option.

Minor changes

Save & share section

We have renamed the **Send to** section to **Save & share** to better reflect the options available to you within item records. **Permalink** has also been renamed to **Share** to make it easier to find the option to save and share links to resources.



Image 13: The "Save & share" section within an item record with the "Share" option highlighted.

Further information

If you have any questions our library staff are always on hand to help you, or you can:

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