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- 4 Enter search terms in the space(s) provided, select which fields you wish to search (article, title, etc.), and use Boolean operators to combine search terms.
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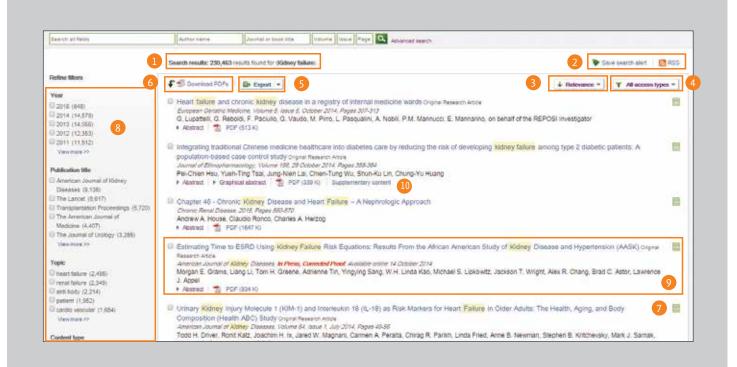
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Searching Tips

It may be helpful to know how ScienceDirect's search engine works.

- Search terms are not case-sensitive, so it does not matter if you use lowercase or uppercase letters.
- Entering singular nouns will also search for plural nouns and possessives (with some exceptions).
- Entering search terms using either US or UK spellings will search for both (with some exceptions).
- Multiple words set off by spaces will search for documents or images with both words.
- You can use either quote marks or "curly brackets" to search for a phrase, but the results will differ in these ways:
 - Searches in quote marks (such as "heart-attack") will be "fuzzy searches" the search engine will search for plural and singular nouns, US and UK spellings, ignore symbols and punctuation, and allow wildcards.
 - Searches in curly brackets (such as {heart-attack}) will be exact searches. The search engine will look only for that exact phrase, including symbols or punctuation.

Wildcards

- * can replace any number of characters toxi* will search for toxin, toxic, toxicity and toxicology
- Preplaces only one character toxi? will search for toxin or toxic but not toxicity or toxicology

Logical operators and proximity operators

- AND searches for articles containing both words
- OR searches for articles containing one or both words
- AND NOT searches for articles that do not contain the word that follows
- W/n restricts the search to a maximum number (n) of words between the two words. Word order is not set. Example: Pain w/5 morphine finds documets where pain appears within 5 words or less of morphine.
- PRE/n restricts the search to a maximum number (no) of words between the two words. Word order is set. The first word must precede the second word by the specified number of words or less. Example: Newborn PRE/3 screening finds documents where Newborn appears 3 words or less before screening. You can use more than one connector/proximity operator in a search if you use parentheses to separate the logic, e.g. (heart w/2 attack) OR coronary.



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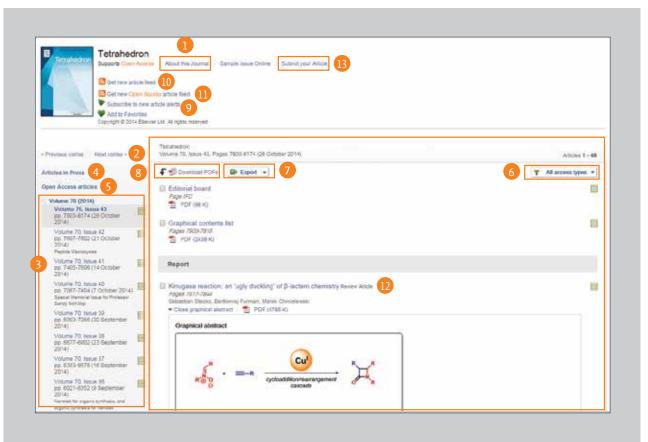
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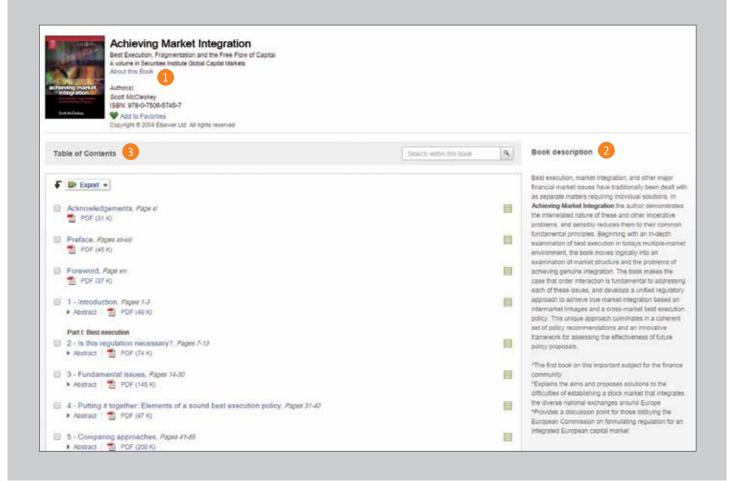
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2 Book description

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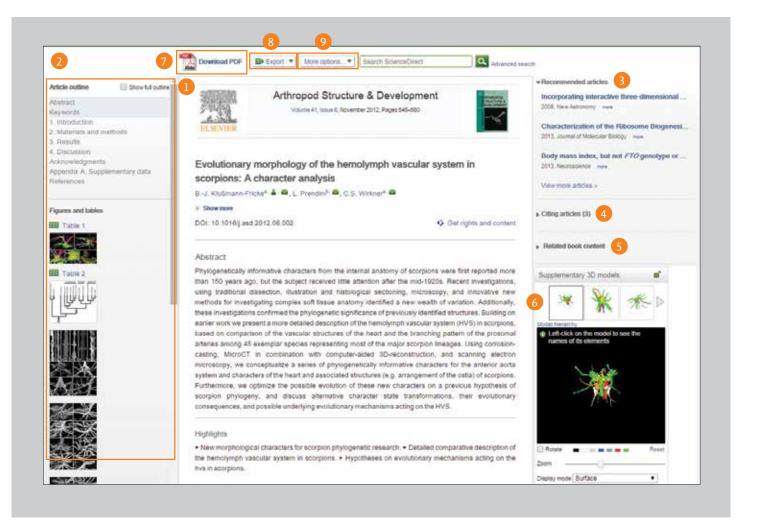
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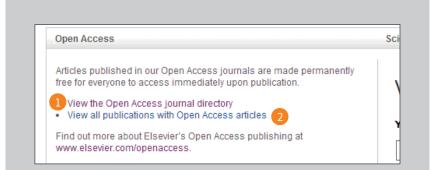
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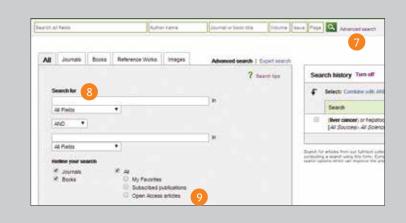
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