



LIBRARIAN PORTAL QUICK START GUIDE

ADVANCING
DISCOVERY

The Springer Nature Librarian Portal on librarian.springernature.com is a self-service platform built to streamline library workflows. It offers tools for managing content acquisition, metadata, access methods, and usage analysis. Librarians can order single eBooks, manage holdings, download KBART and MARC records, configure access methods like IP addresses and single sign-on, and analyse COUNTER-compliant data. Whether you're handling content discovery or evaluating ROI, the Portal provides essential tools to support your library's workflow. This guide will introduce you to key features and where to find them.

Your account

With your account you have access to your institution's subscriptions, discovery settings, access methods, and administrative tools.



Logging in

Visit librarian.springernature.com and log in. If you have any issues, use the "Forgot Password" link or contact customer service. If you manage multiple institutions, once logged in you'll see them listed at the top of your dashboard.

A screenshot of the Springer Nature Librarian Portal login page. The page has a dark blue header with the Springer Nature logo. Below the header is a large dark blue section with the text "Log in" in white. Underneath this is a white box containing the login form. The form has two input fields: "Email" and "Password". Below the "Password" field is a link that says "Forgot password?". At the bottom of the form is a dark blue button with the text "Log in". At the very bottom of the page, there is a link that says "Don't have an account? Email onlineservice@springernature.com."

Help and contact

Contact options include email support in multiple languages, phone assistance, and additional help services.



Support Portal

Click on information links within the Portal for detailed guidance on topics such as COUNTER reports and metadata.

How may we help you?

 **Quick answers from our chatbot**
Find support articles about the Librarian Portal, or send us your question.
[Start Chatting](#)
Did the chatbot help you today? If not, please let us know via an email or a call.

 **Access issues**
[Complete our access issues contact form](#) and our team will assist you.

 **Accessibility issues**
[Complete our accessibility issues contact form](#) and our team will take action to solve the problem.

 **Your business partner identifier (BPID)**
3000093925
For quickest service, include your organisation's 'BPID' when you contact us.

 **Support articles and FAQs**
[Find answers to many questions](#) in our support portal. 60+ articles about COUNTER data, licensing, metadata, and more.

 **Account development enquiries**
[Contact your local Account Developer](#) and maximise your return on investment.

 **Sales enquiries**

Customer service

Reach out via email or phone for personalized assistance. Contact details are available on the Portal, including options for different languages.

Updates

Check the updates page for summaries of new capabilities and enhancements to the Portal.

Updates

November 2024
Upcoming changes to full book downloads
> [Changes in user experience and COUNTER metrics](#)
At the moment, on Springer Nature Link, books with a large number of chapters are not featured with a "full book download button". But that will change on 1 January 2025, when we will show the button for


November 2024
Advanced book search
> [New ways to find books](#)
Searching for books to license has gotten better. On top of the free text search, you can now find books via two taxonomies: Collection and Copyright year (CRY). This can help you find new books for your


Organisation settings

Manage various settings for your organisation.



Co-branding

Customize how your institution's name will be displayed on platforms like Springer Nature Link and nature.com when patrons access content through your library's subscriptions.

Colleagues

View and manage administrator accounts for your institution. If colleagues need access or have left your organization, contact customer service for updates.

Organisation settings

 **Organisation name** [info](#)

Your organisation's name can be up to 100 characters

Save

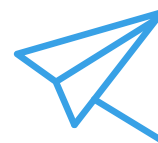
 **Your colleagues**

To give your colleagues access to the Librarian Portal, [contact customer service](#).

Email

Content and tool acquisition

Choose the best set of content and solutions for your patrons.



Single eBooks

Order individual eBooks directly through the Portal. Add titles to your basket, check out, and your patrons will get access quickly.

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Find the eBook your patron needs

Search across title, subtitle, authors, and electronic ISBN. [More search possibilities.](#)

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Help & contact

Find answers to your questions in our [FAQ](#), or [contact customer service](#).

How to license eBooks in the Librarian Portal

1 Search for the eBooks you want, here in the Librarian Portal

2 Confirm your contact, invoice information, and licence terms

3 Receive your licence, invoice, and link to MARC records by email

4 Add eBooks to your systems to share within your organisation

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Monitor your unit balance and usage reports to manage your Content on Demand subscriptions effectively.

Content on Demand (CoD)

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Units for all content on nature.com

11520 active units remain (of 21000 total)

Status	Remaining	Licensed	Start Date	End Date	Settings	Contract ID
Active	881 units	10000 units	16 Oct 2018	31 Dec 9999	Can require confirmation	5302921552
Active	9639 units	10000 units	16 Oct 2018	31 Dec 9999	Can require confirmation	5302921551

Metadata management

We can help you catalogue and manage discovery systems in many different ways.

Choose discovery setup

The Discovery Setup page provides an overview of available metadata formats and delivery methods for cataloguing.



Choose how to make your content discoverable

Make sure your patrons can find all your content. You can use one or many metadata delivery methods, and we charge no fees for them.

Automatic metadata deliveries and updates

KBART Automation
Content: books, journals
Licensing models: all except MyCollection, Content on Demand, nature.com Complete
Updated: weekly
Automatic updates of your holdings in:

- Ex Libris Alma
- Ex Libris SFX
- Ex Libris 360 Core
- Ex Libris Intota
- OCLC WorldShare Management Services
- TDNet Discover
- Ovid Discovery

[Setup KBART Automation](#)

MARC records via FTP
Content: books, journals, articles
Licensing models: all
Updated: daily
We can deliver MARC records to our FTP server, from which you can download them.
[Set up MARC records via FTP](#)

PAM (PRISM Aggregator Message), JATS, custom JSON records via SN's API
Content: chapters, articles
Licensing models: all
Updated: daily

Holdings

Download holdings files in KBART format or set up automated updates of your holdings in your library system.

Your Holdings

Records are updated weekly, on Fridays UCT.

KBART holding reports

KBART holdings reports for the content your institution has access to. [About the holdings reports.](#)

All content
All licensed, Open Access, and free to read content that is available to your patrons on Springer Nature Link, nature.com and ResearchGate.

[Available Journals \(.txt\)](#) [Available eBooks \(.txt\)](#)

Licensed content
Content that you have licensed on Springer Nature Link, nature.com and ResearchGate.

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Automatically update your holdings

Use KBART Automation to update your journal and eBook holdings for Springer Nature Link, nature.com, and ResearchGate. [About KBART automation.](#)

Library system	Token	Integration
Ex Libris Alma	7KSc45yZxrflkRHs	Setup guide ↗
Ex Libris SFX	7KSc45yZxrflkRHs	Setup guide ↗
Ex Libris 360 Core	7KSc45yZxrflkRHs	Setup guide ↗
Ex Libris Intota	7KSc45yZxrflkRHs	Setup guide ↗
OCLC WorldShare	5YWV3qHmnpLmtoHn	Setup guide ↗
TDNet Discover	swNxTLUTdnprchkk	Setup guide ↗

Title lists (KBART)

Download title lists for most of our business models. The lists are in KBART format so that they can be used to update most library systems.

>	Complete Collections
>	Springer Materials
>	Journal Subscription Packages <i>(All)</i>
>	Journal Archive Collections
>	Open Access Journals and eBooks
>	Scientific American
>	Springer Protocols
>	Springer Protocols Archive Collections
>	English International Contemporary eBook Collections
>	German Contemporary eBook Collections

MARC records

Get MARC records for your licensed eBooks and journals.

Books
Titles available on Springer Nature Link, Apress.com, and BSL.nl.

Journals
Titles available on Springer Nature Link, nature.com, and BMC.

Collections

> ☐ Collections With Reference Works

> ☐ Collections Without Reference Works (R0)

> ☐ Reference Modules

Databases

☐ SpringerProtocols

Book series

> Search by book series

Access method management

Configure access methods like IP addresses and single sign-on (SSO) for seamless patron access.



Choose access methods

Select how users access content. Options include IP-based access and Single Sign-On (SSO). Choose the methods that best suit your institution's needs.

Choose access methods
Give your patrons access on and off campus. You can use one or many access methods, and we charge no fees for them.

Single sign-on Recommended
Remote and on-campus access for your patrons via SSO (also called "federated access") such as Shibboleth, OpenAthens, GSuite, ADFS/Azure, etc. [Definition of single sign-on on Wikipedia.](#)
Platforms: Springer Nature Link, nature.com
[Set up single sign-on](#)

IP addresses
On-campus access via static IP ranges.
Platforms: Springer Nature Link, nature.com, Nature Masterclasses, and more.
Free add-ons to enable remote access: Proxy access, VPN access.
[Set up IP addresses](#)

Single sign-on

Set up SAML-based federated authentication so your patrons can easily get access to the content and tools that you have provided them with.

Single sign-on (SSO)

Give your patrons access to your content and services via SSO, also called “federated access”. [Definition of single sign-on on Wikipedia.](#) We support all SAML 2.0 identity providers but we do not support OpenID, OAuth, or other non-SAML 2.0 services.

Step 1: Set up in your identity provider

Most identity providers

Follow your identity provider's usual process to set up Springer Nature Link and nature.com. See the “Service provider details” for the metadata you will need. If your institution is a member of a country federation such as those listed on the [EduGain site](#) you should automatically have our service provider metadata.

If you set up Springer Nature Link and nature.com separately in your identity provider, give each a unique organisation name to help your patrons choose the correct organisation on our WAYF pages, for example “Company, Inc. (Springer Nature Link)” and “Company, Inc. (nature.com)”. Separate set up is recommended for Okta and Microsoft Entra / Azure AD.

Service provider details

Metadata URL

Springer Nature Link: <https://fso.springer.com/saml/metadata>
nature.com: <https://sp.nature.com/saml/metadata>

Entity ID / Identifier

Springer Nature Link: <https://fso.springer.com>
nature.com: <https://secure.nature.com/shibboleth>

Reply URL / Assertion consumer service URL

Springer Nature Link:
<https://fso.springer.com/federation/Consumer/metaAlias/SpringerServiceProvider>
nature.com: <https://secure.nature.com/oa/auth/rcv/saml2/post>

IP addresses

Check and update your institution's registered IP ranges on the IP Addresses page. Updates can be made via theipregistry.org or via customer service.

IP ranges

Starts	Ends
5 . 158 . 149 . 163	
5 . 158 . 176 . 80	
10 . 80 . 102 . 1	– 10 . 80 . 102 . 254
24 . 232 . 96 . 1	
27 . 251 . 244 . 34	
31 . 221 . 90 . 45	
37 . 26 . 228 . 230	
38 . 32 . 25 . 201	
38 . 32 . 25 . 201	– 38 . 32 . 25 . 206
38 . 96 . 135 . 6	
46 . 251 . 253 . 135	

Update your IP addresses

Via theIPRegistry.org

Recommended

[theIPRegistry.org](https://theipregistry.org) is a free service to update your IP addresses for 100+ publishers and platforms, all at once.

Register

Login

Update manually

Contact customer service with your IP range changes. Include your “BPID” 3000093925.



Usage analysis

Evaluate return on investment (ROI) by analysing user activity including denials and downloads and make informed decisions about content acquisition.



COUNTER data

Analyse usage with COUNTER-compliant reports. Access COUNTER 5.0 and 5.1 reports via the form or set up SUSHI harvesting in your library system.

COUNTER 5.1 data [info](#)

Download

Title Report Summarizes activity on the title level (journal, book, etc.)	Database Report Summarizes activity across our databases (Adisinsight, etc.)	Platform Report Summarizes activity across our reading platforms (nature.com, etc.)
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View

☐ TR: Title Report
☐ TR_B1: Book Requests (Controlled)
☐ TR_B2: Book Access Denied
☐ TR_B3: Book Usage by Access Type
☐ TR_J1: Journal Requests (Controlled)
☐ TR_J2: Journal Access Denied
☐ TR_J3: Journal Usage by Access Type
☐ TR_J4: Journal Requests by YOP (Controlled)

Custom Filters

☒ Custom Filtered Title Report

Data_Type [info](#)
☒ Book
☒ Journal
☒ Reference_Work

YOP [info](#)
☒ All years
☐ Range of years

Access_Type [info](#)
☒ Controlled
☒ Open
☒ Free_To_Read

Welcome to the Librarian Portal

Make sure your patrons have access to the content, tools, and OA publishing they need—log in to the Librarian Portal!

