

Introduction

There are a number of ways you can keep up to date with research with less effort. Rather than visit each major journal in your subject area, the latest research can come to you!

Generally, the advice is to pick up eresource links from LibrarySearch <http://librarysearch.napier.ac.uk> Today, however, you will be asked to use the links provided or to Google. This is because there are some computing lab login issues.

Today, you can choose to set up one or more of the following:

- **Journal new issue alerts** – you will receive the table of contents
- **Search alerts** – these are set up across multiple journals on a particular database/publisher site.
- **RSS feeds** – these deliver tables of contents or new search results to your desktop (or a web-based feed reader).
- **Tables of contents services** – you can sign up in one location to get tables of contents from multiple journals.
- **LibrarySearch** – you can set up search alerts or RSS feeds to receive links to new records retrieved by your saved search.

New journal issue alerts

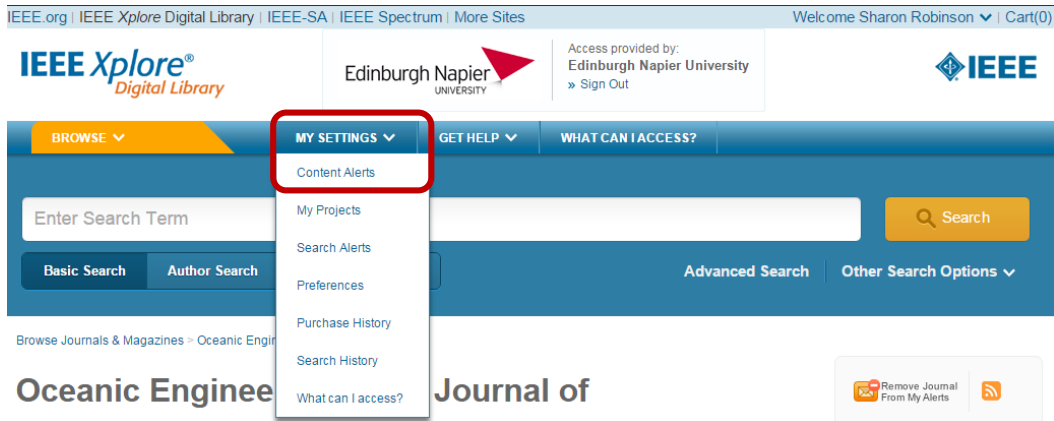
To set up a journal alert, you first need to create a personal account. You may need to validate a link sent to your email account before you can set up your alert. You can organise your email alerts by creating folders <https://support.office.com/en-us/article/Manage-email-messages-by-using-rules-c24f5dea-9465-4df4-ad17-a50704d66c59>

1. Google **IEEE Oceanic Engineering**
<http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/RecentIssue.jsp?punumber=48>
2. **Add Journal to My Alerts.**



The screenshot shows the IEEE Oceanic Engineering journal website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for BROWSE, MY SETTINGS, GET HELP, and WHAT CAN I ACCESS?. Below this is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Enter Search Term' and a 'Search' button. Under the search bar, there are tabs for 'Basic Search', 'Author Search', and 'Publication Search', along with links for 'Advanced Search' and 'Other Search Options'. The main content area displays the journal title 'Oceanic Engineering, IEEE Journal of' and a button labeled 'Add Journal To My Alerts' which is highlighted with a red box. Below the journal title, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Popular', 'Early Access', 'Current Issue', 'Past Issues', and 'About Journal', and a 'Submit Your Manuscript' button.

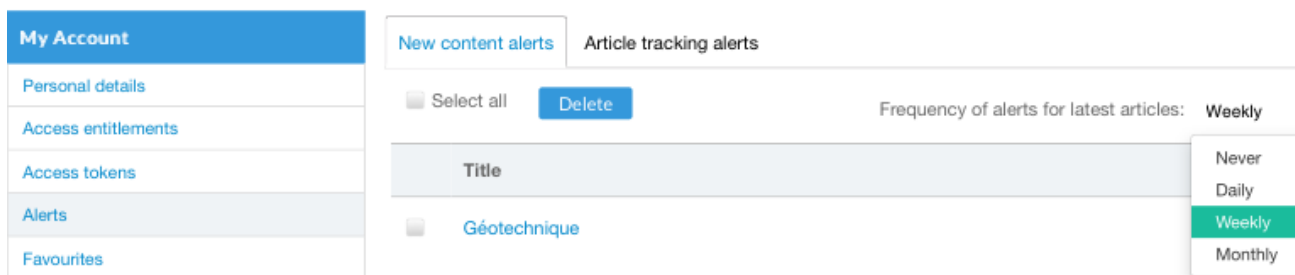
3. You will be prompted to sign in or create an account.
4. Your **Content Alerts** will be stored under **MySettings**.



1. Google **Géotechnique ICE** <http://www.icevirtuallibrary.com/toc/igeot/current>
2. Click **Email alerts**.
3. You will then be prompted to Sign in or Register (if you don't have an account).



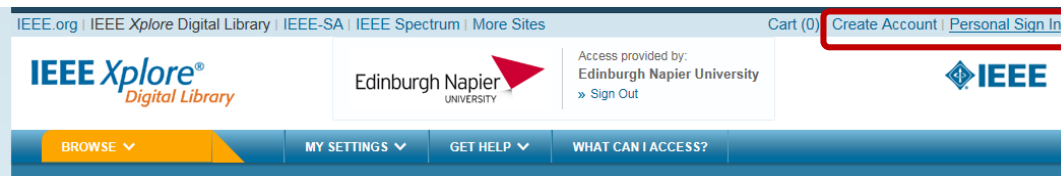
4. You will be returned to your account where you will see and edit your new alert. Clicking on your name will also get you to your account.



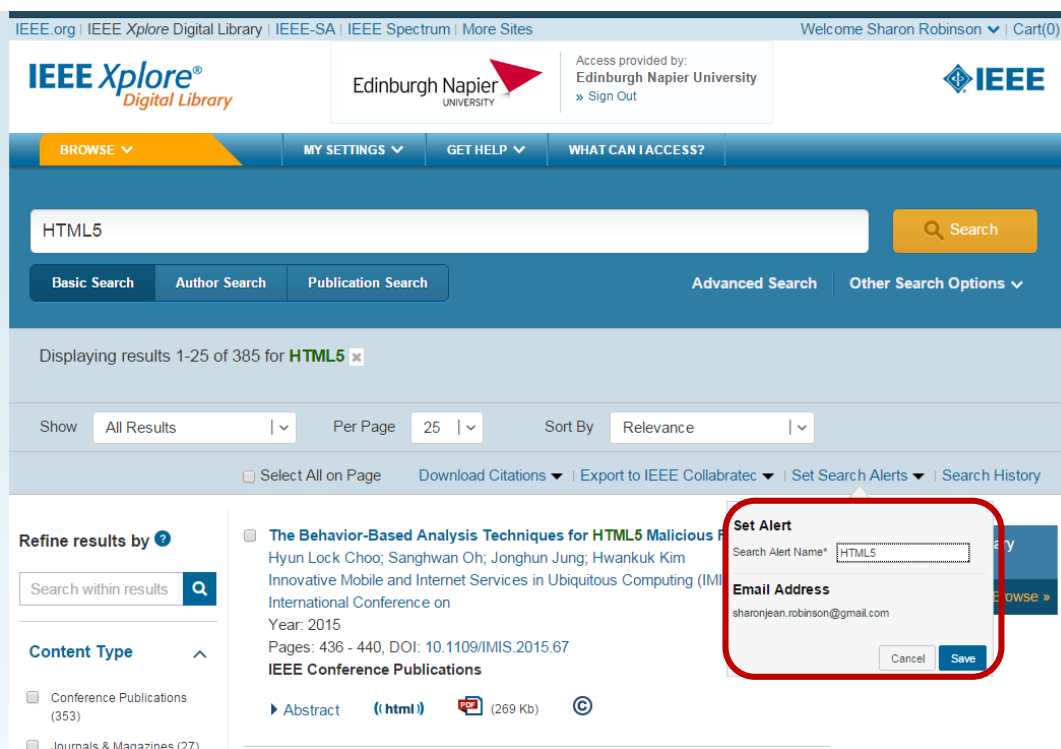
Search Alerts

In addition to receiving table of contents alerts from individual journals, you can also save searches and receive alerts when there are new records.

1. Google **IEEE**
2. **Create Account** or **Personal Sign In**.



3. Perform search and **Set Search Alert**.



RSS feeds

RSS feeds require a “reader”. Internet Explorer has an inbuilt one. However, readers need to be added to Chrome and Firefox, and to all but the latest versions of OS X. Users of Windows 10 are advised to use Chrome or Firefox because Edge does not accommodate RSS feeds. More details can be found on the staff intranet [library pages](#).

1. Go to Art & Architecture Complete (EBSCO)
<http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?profile=ehost&defaultdb=vth>

2. Click **Sign In**.

The screenshot shows the EBSCOhost search interface. The top navigation bar includes links for 'New Search', 'Publications', 'Thesaurus', 'Cited References', and 'More'. The 'Sign In' button is highlighted with a red box. Below the navigation bar, there is a search input field containing 'Typhoon' and a dropdown menu set to 'AB Abstract or Autho...'. The 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons are visible. The Edinburgh Napier University logo is in the top right corner.

3. Create a new Account.

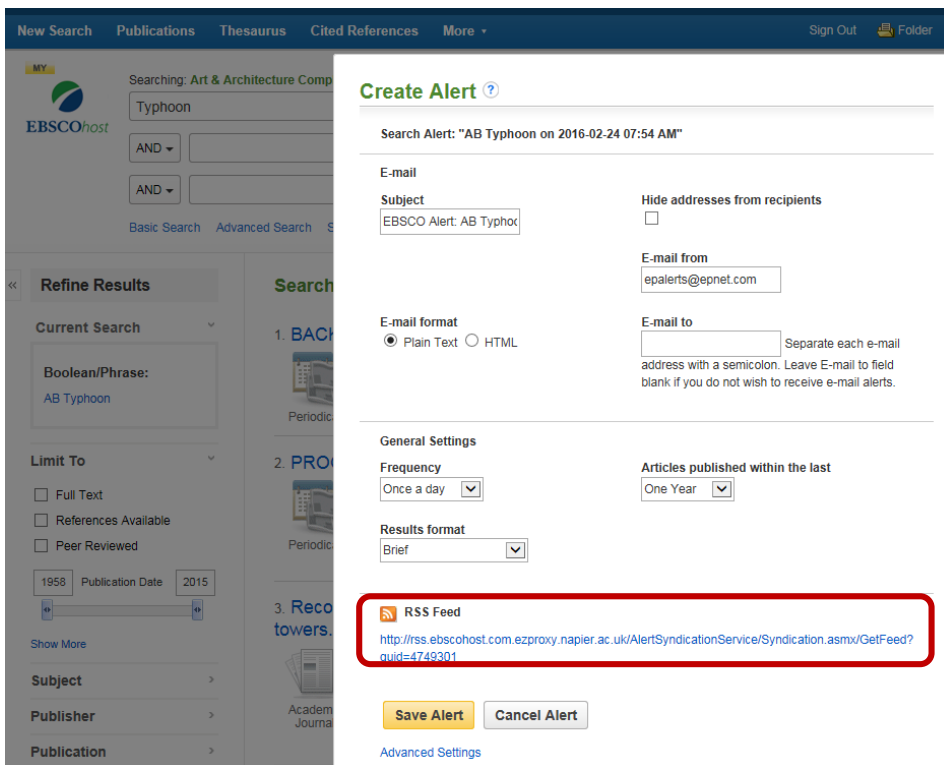
The screenshot shows the 'Sign In to My EBSCOhost' page. It features a 'User Name' and 'Password' input field, a 'Login' button, and a 'Create a new Account' button, which is highlighted with a red box. A blue callout box on the right lists benefits of signing in, such as saving preferences and organizing research with folders. A 'Back' link is located below the EBSCOhost logo.

4. Once you've registered, clicking continue will log you in.

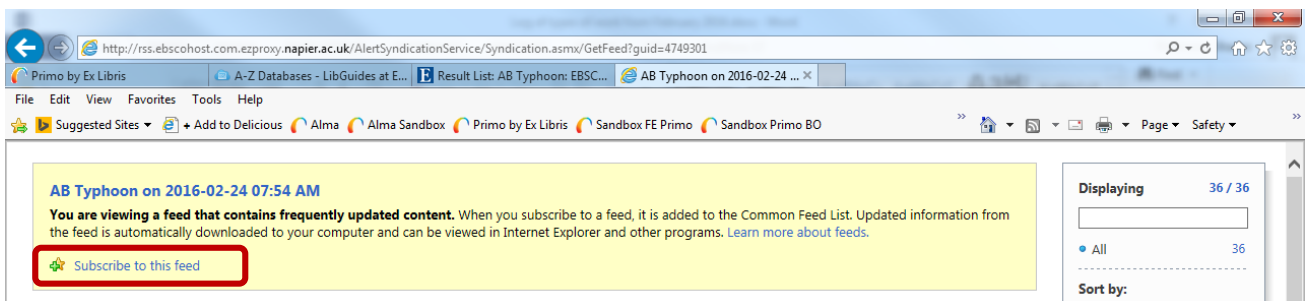
5. Perform search. Then click **RSS Feed**.

The screenshot shows the search results page for 'Typhoon'. The search results are displayed in a list format. The first result is 'BACK IN TIME IN THE PHILIPPINES--AND FORWARD.' by CAÑETE-MEDINA, ISABEL. The second result is 'PROGETTARE L'EMERGENZA.' by Okazaki, Rumi. The third result is 'Recording duration of ambient vibration monitoring for system identification of tall tel...'. On the right side, there is a 'Create an alert' section with an 'RSS Feed' button highlighted by a red box. The 'Refine Results' section on the left shows the current search as 'Boolean/Phrase: AB Typhoon' and 'Limit To' options for 'Full Text', 'References Available', and 'Peer Reviewed'. The 'Publication Date' range is set from 1958 to 2015.

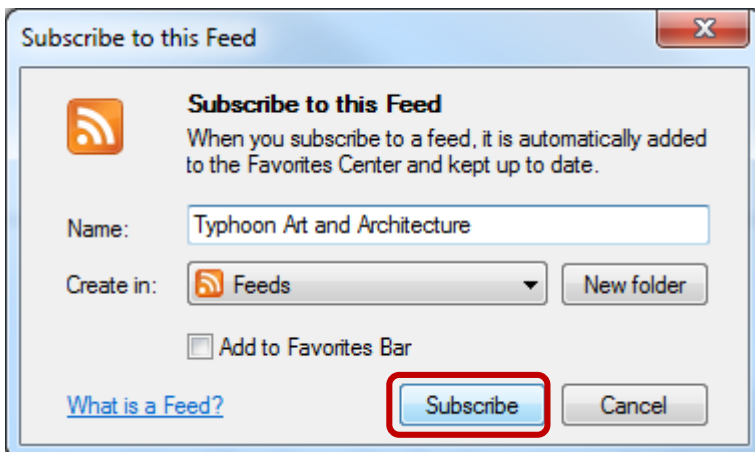
6. Clicking on the **RSS Feed** link automatically opens the feed in the Microsoft reader.



7. Click **Subscribe to this feed**.



8. Amend the dialog box as wished. **Subscribe** again.



9. Click on the star icon to see the feed in the list.

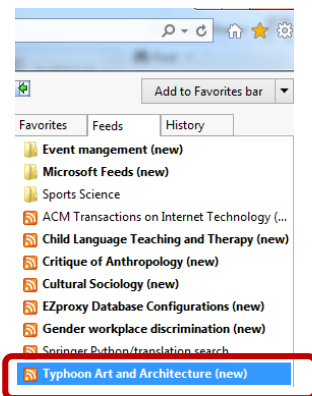


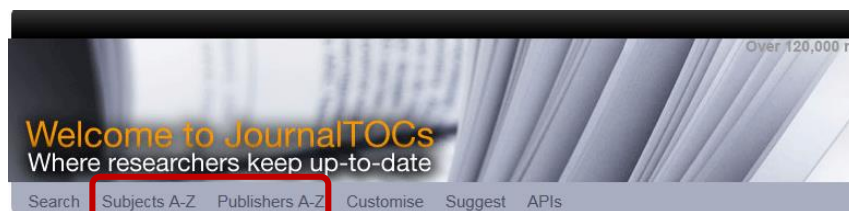
Table of Contents services

JournalTOCs is the largest, free collection of scholarly journal Tables of Contents (TOCs). It alerts you when new issues of your followed journals are published. You can also set up search alerts.

1. Go to <http://www.journaltoCs.ac.uk/>
2. Click **Sign In**, then on the next page **Sign Up**. A validation link will be sent to your email account. Then again **Sign In**.



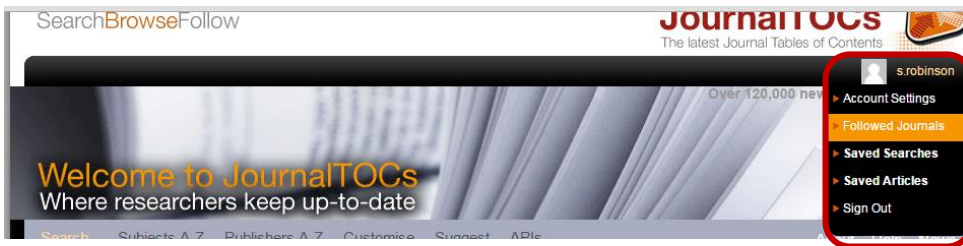
3. Choose journal(s) by publisher or by subject.



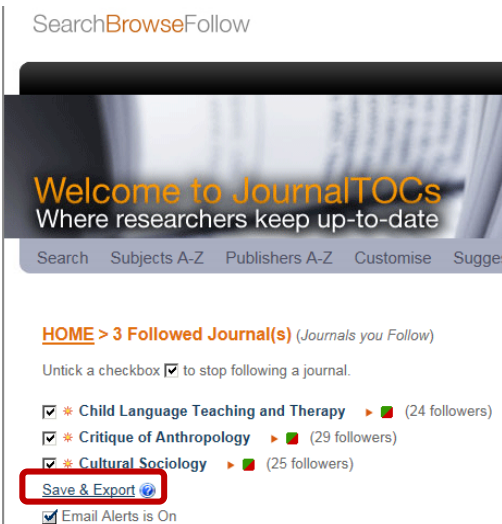
4. Select titles

- Convergence The Intl. J. of Research into New Media Technologies (Followers: 30, SJR: [0.876](#), h-index: 19)
- Current Sociology (Followers: 28, SJR: [0.73](#), h-index: 21)
- Critique of Anthropology (Followers: 28, SJR: [0.6](#), h-index: 24)
- Critical Sociology (Followers: 25, SJR: [0.533](#), h-index: 14)
- Clinical Nursing Research (Followers: 25, SJR: [0.429](#), h-index: 29)
- Cultural Sociology (Followers: 24, SJR: [0.946](#), h-index: 12)
- Child Language Teaching and Therapy (Followers: 23, SJR: [0.459](#), h-index: 17)

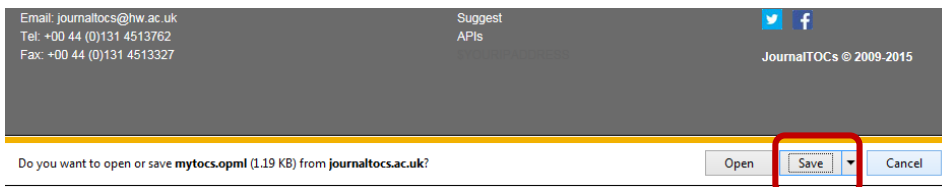
5. Click on **Followed Journals**.



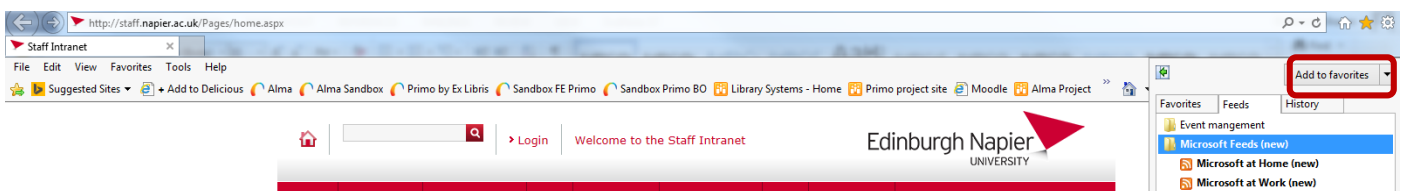
6. To receive up to 30 TOC alerts by email, tick the **Email Alerts** box.



7. To set up **RSS** feeds, click **Save & Export**. Select **Save as** and name the file, e.g. Sage.



8. Select **Import and Export** from the **Add to favourites** dropdown list.



9. Select the following options in turn from the dialogue box: **Import from file** > **Feeds** > browse to where you've saved the file > Select and open > Select a **destination**

folder for the feeds > Import. See also

<http://www.journaltoocs.ac.uk/whatisOPML.html>

10. Your new feeds will now display in your RSS reader.

Search alerts

1. Sign in or set up account as above.



2. Perform search.



3. Save search.

The screenshot shows the JournalTOCs website interface. At the top right, a user profile for 's.robinson' is visible with a dropdown menu containing 'Account Settings', 'Followed Journals', 'Saved Searches' (highlighted), 'Saved Articles', and 'Sign Out'. The main header features the text 'Welcome to JournalTOCs Where researchers keep up-to-date' and 'Over 120,000 new'. A navigation bar includes 'Search', 'Subjects A-Z', 'Publishers A-Z', 'Customise', 'Suggest', 'APIs', 'About', 'Help', and 'News'. Below the header, a search box contains 'mitochondrial disorder' with a 'Go' button. Below the search box, there are radio buttons for 'for Journals by Title or ISSN' and 'for Articles by Keywords', with a 'help' button. The search results section is titled 'SEARCH RESULTS' and states 'Your query mitochondrial disorder found 137 article(s)'. A sample result is shown: '- Neuropsychiatric Features in Primary Mitochondrial Disease'. A message below the search box reads: 'Your SEARCH RESULTS is listed on the left side. Click on an article title to display its content.'

4. Save your search.

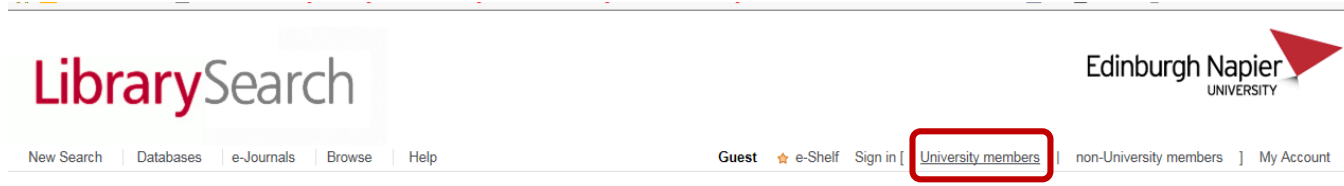
The screenshot shows the 'Saved Searches' page on JournalTOCs. The header is identical to the previous screenshot. Below the header, the breadcrumb 'HOME > Saved Searches (Maximum 100 searches)' is displayed. A message states 'You haven't saved any search yet.' Below this, a section titled 'You have recently searched for:' lists a search for 'mitochondrial disorder (found 137 articles)' with '[Delete]' and '[Save]' buttons.

5. Create alert or RSS feed.

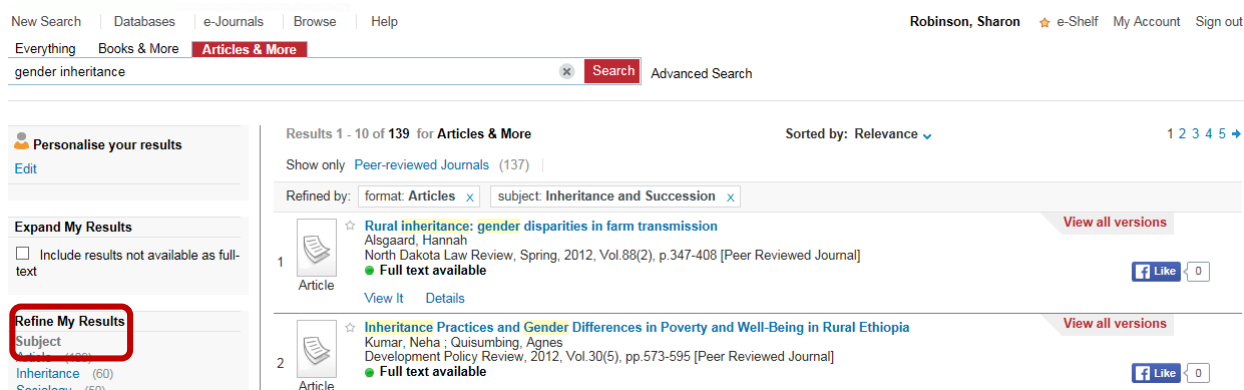
The screenshot shows the 'Saved Searches' page with one saved search. The breadcrumb is 'HOME > Saved Searches (Maximum 100 searches)'. A green bar indicates 'You have 1 saved search'. The search entry is '1. mitochondrial disorder (found 137 articles)' with an 'Alert-me' button (highlighted with a red box) and an 'Un-save' button. Below the search entry, a note states: 'JournalTOCs will send you email alerts when new articles or journals are found for those save reader.'

LibrarySearch Alerts

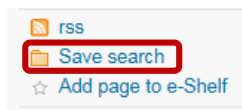
1. Log into LibrarySearch <http://librarysearch.napier.ac.uk> to save your searches. **In the computer lab, you may see 2 login boxes.**



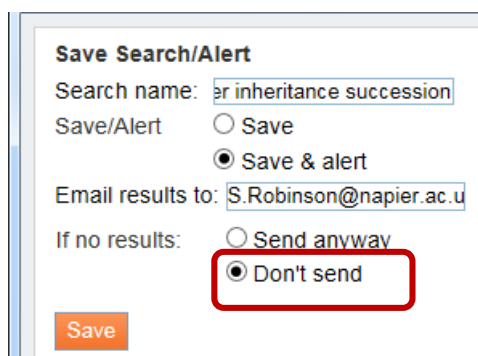
2. Perform a search > Refine your results if required, e.g. by format and subject



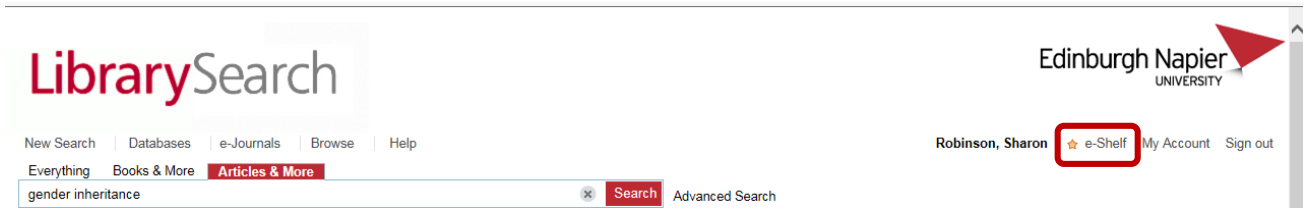
3. Scroll to the bottom left of the page to save your search.



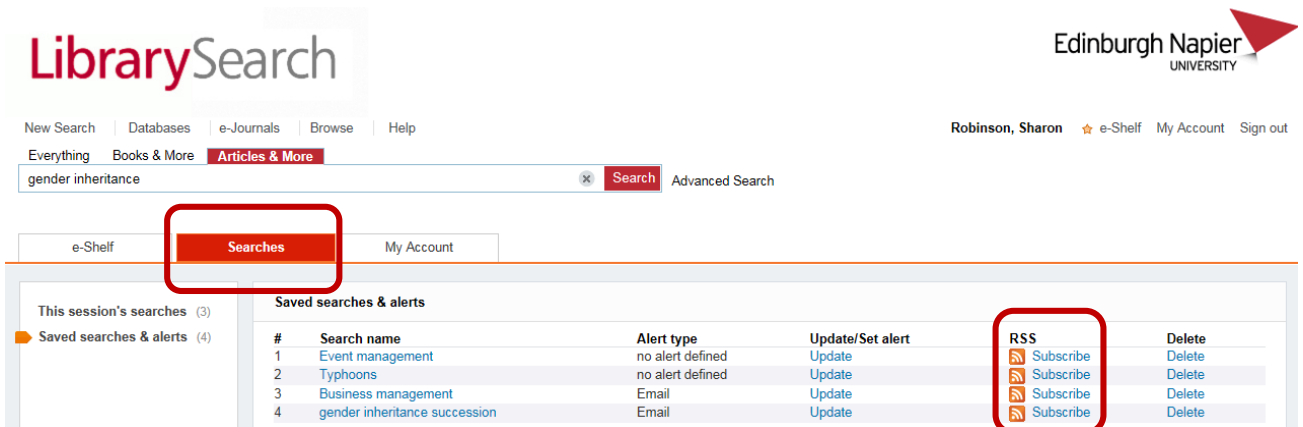
4. Clicking **Save search** will generate this box. Click Save and alert to open up the extra fields. Ensure that you select **Don't send**.



5. Click on **e-Shelf**

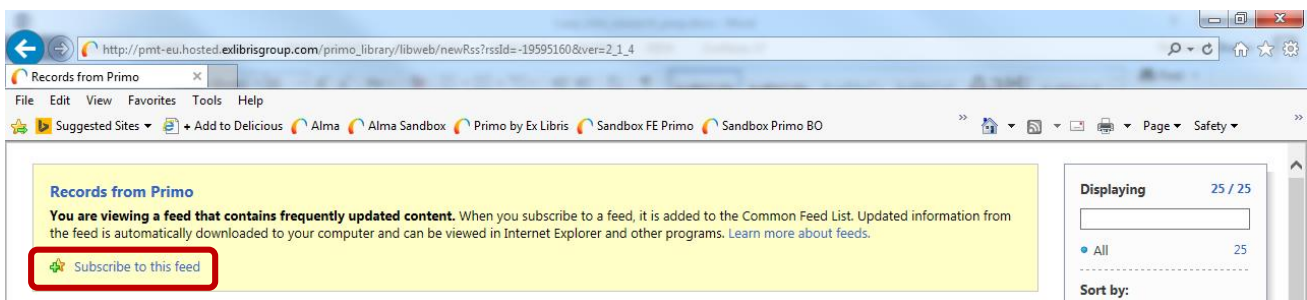


6. Then on **Searches** to see your alerts.

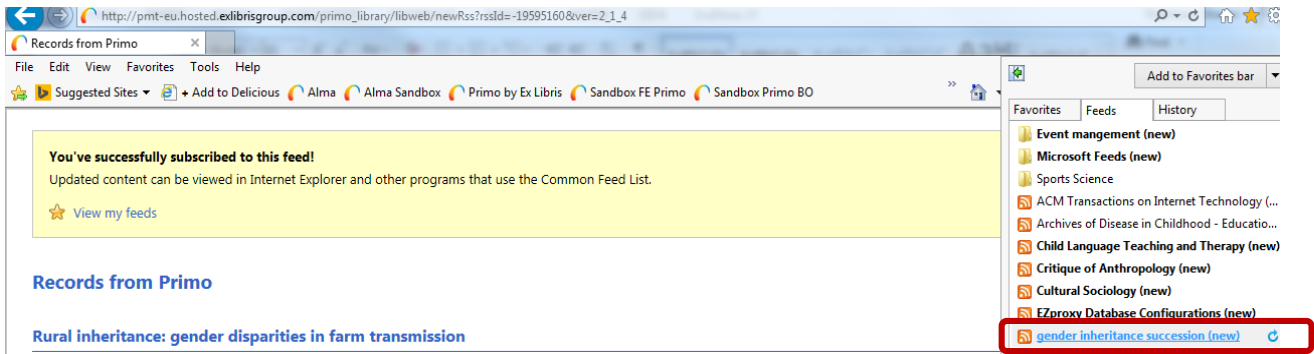


7. You can also choose to Subscribe to an RSS feed.

8. Click **Subscribe to this feed**. Then name the feed



9. The feed can be found in the list of feeds opened by clicking the star icon.



Questions, comments, suggestions

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