Keeping up to date with research

Goal today:
Investigate various methods for keeping up to date with information in your field
- Set up alerts to follow a research topic, authors and citations
- Get latest table of contents

Alerts and RSS feeds:
Alerts – get latest articles and citation information via email
RSS feeds – use an RSS reader or Outlook email to subscribe to feeds of the latest publications, news or online posts, etc.

Alerts and RSS feeds in library databases
Many library databases allow you to set following alerts:
- latest articles on a topic
- latest articles of a journal / table of contents
- latest author documents
- latest citations of an article or an author

Database example - Scopus
Search alerts – inform latest articles on a topic
1. Log in to your Scopus account
2. Search for a topic: e.g. tourism AND sustainability AND Zealand
3. At the top of the results list, select ‘Set alert’ or “Set feed”
   Alert – select your preferences e.g. how frequent, day of the week, which email address
   RSS – follow the prompts and copy and paste the RSS feed URL into your RSS reader
Document Citation Alerts

1. Select an article from the result list
2. Click ‘Set citation alert’ for new citation alerts
3. Select the RSS option if preferred.

Author citation/document alerts

i. from an article (or author search): click on an author name.
ii. click on ‘Follow this Author’ to receive emails when this author publishes new documents
iii. click on ‘Get citation alerts’ to get email alerts when this author receive new citations

Journal alerts

- Find a journal title in “Search” or browse a journal title in “Source”
- Select

Google Scholar

Search result alerts

1. On the Library homepage, seelect AUT Google Scholar
2. Search for a topic, adjust your keywords and refine your search results until you are happy with the quality and relevance of the results
3. Click Create Alert
4. Follow the prompts to confirm the alert

Citation alerts

1. Search for an article

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2. On the search result, see example below, click **Cited by 211**

### Body size, body composition and fat distribution: comparative analysis of European, Maori, Pacific Island and Asian Indian adults

**FC Rush, LFretas, LD plank** - British Journal of Nutrition, 2009 - Cambridge Univ Press

Abstract: Although there is evidence that Asian Indians, Polynesians and Europeans differ in their body fat (BF)–BMI relationships, detailed comparative analysis of their underlying body composition and build characteristics is lacking. We investigated differences in the...

| Cited by 211 | Related articles | All 14 versions | Web of Science: 121 | Cite | Save |

3. On the next screen of 211 articles cited the above article, click **Create alert** from the left column

### Journal TOCs

- A website allows you to receive the latest table of contents from journals you selected

### Latest articles from a journal

1. For researchers >> keep up to date >> Setting up alerts >> JournalTOCs
2. Register an account (top right corner) and sign in
3. Search or browse for journals and tick the journals you want to follow; this automatically adds these journals to your list of Followed Journals
4. Click Followed Journals under your login to view these titles

5. Click **Email Alerts is On**
6. You can change the email frequency in Account Settings

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Note: you may be able to follow the Table of Contents directly from a journal’s homepage.

Other ways to keep up-to-date
There are many other ways to keep in contact with other researchers and with news about research in your field.

Examples
- Social media – follow academics and academic communities via social media, e.g. Twitter
- Join researcher social networks, such as ResearchGate. You can follow authors and their research projects.
- Reference managers, e.g. Mendeley, Zotero.

Zotero is a reference manager. In Zotero you can:
- Follow people in your discipline
- Feeds – inform latest publications in journals

Do you have others? Send them to us – we will share them on the Library Guide.

Further help
Keeping up to date Library guide: [http://aut.ac.nz.libguides.com/uptodate](http://aut.ac.nz.libguides.com/uptodate)

Library support for researchers: [https://library.aut.ac.nz/for-researchers/library-support-for-researchers](https://library.aut.ac.nz/for-researchers/library-support-for-researchers)

Your Liaison Librarian: [https://library.aut.ac.nz/for-lecturers/liaison-librarian-services](https://library.aut.ac.nz/for-lecturers/liaison-librarian-services)

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