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	Google Scolar: https://scholar.google.de	• *scope*: approx. 400 million **journal articles, books, technical reports, seminar papers and theses, Power Point presentations, abstracts, preprints of articles and conference contributions** as of 2023 • *topics:* interdisciplinary	full-text content from the free web, as well as data sets from publishers and professional societies for which a fee is charged
	Public Library of Science: https://plos.org/	• *scope*: approx. 300,000 **journal articles** as of 2023 • *topics*: biology and life, computer and information, earth sciences, ecology and environmental sciences, engineering and technology, medicine and health, people and places, physical sciences, research and analysis methods, science policy, social sciences	freely available full-text content
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