The Complete Discovery Solution™

✓ Fast, simple access to all of the library’s full-text content (electronic and print)

✓ Everything the researcher needs in one place

✓ Full-text searching

✓ Much deeper indexing than any other discovery solution

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About Discovery
EBSCO’s Complete Discovery Solution provides users with access to an institution’s entire collection via a single, customizable entry point. This is accomplished through a combination of key elements including:

- **EBSCO Discovery Service** (EDS) — The Core Collection of Locally-Indexed Metadata
- **EBSCOhost® Databases** — All of a Library’s EBSCOhost Database Subscriptions
- **EBSCOhost® Integrated Search** (EHIS) — Extending the Reach of the Discovery Solution by Incorporating External Resources
- **EBSCO A-to-Z**™ — Complete E-Resource Listing Service
- **LinkSource**™ — EBSCO’s Powerful Item-Level Linking Solution

What does the Complete Discovery Solution provide?

Access to all of your full text

Increasing the value of your collection through Integrated Technology & customized Discovery Tools

Google-like simplicity your users are comfortable with

In addition to utilizing the features & functionality of EBSCOhost, libraries have a huge array of options to customize content & interface

With the power of EBSCOhost behind the Complete Discovery Solution, users have a familiar intuitive experience.
Bringing Google™ users to the Library, and the Library to Google users...

There has long been a challenge to make the premium content resources, which librarians and information professionals provide, accessible via a simple approach to information discovery that end users seek.

The Complete Discovery Solution from EBSCO meets this challenge by providing an experience that is Comprehensive, Fast, and Familiar.
An Overview of the Complete Discovery Solution

A to Z Listing Service
(e.g., EBSCO A-to-Z')

Features

Limiters
(Full text, date slider, peer-reviewed, etc.)

Clustering
(Subjects, source types, publications, authors, etc.)

De-duplicated & Consolidated Records

EDS supports more than 40 languages

Open Integration
Web Services/Harvestable

Persistent Links, RSS, Bookmarkable

Skinnable Interface

Widgets
(Importable & Exportable)

Springfield Library Collection
Includes: Catalog, Databases, Journals

global warming

Search

Springfield University Library
Access to Springfield University Library Resources
Next Generation Federated Searching

- Connectors to databases not included in EBSCO Discovery Service™ and not available via the library’s EBSCOhost database collection
- Fast access to discovery results, while other connectors display as they become available

Institutional Repository

Full-Text Searching

Enhanced Book Data (within EDS)
from Baker & Taylor

OPAC

Discovery Index Options
Strong metadata from:
- Many leading journal publishers, often including:
  - Author-supplied abstracts
  - Author-supplied keywords
  - Author affiliations
  - Author email addresses
- LexisNexis
- NewsBank
- Readex
- Alexander Street Press
- JSTOR
- British Library ETOC collection
- Other database providers

Results

Limit Results to items with electronic full text or print availability
customized to each library’s collection

CustomLinks™ and SmartLinks™

Link Resolver
e.g., LinkSource™ or SFX™

All EBSCOhost® Database Subscriptions
- Academic Search™
- AGRICOLA™
- America: History and Life™
- Business Source®
- CINAHL®
- Communication & Mass Media Complete™
- ERIC
- Historical Abstracts™
- SPORTDiscus™
- And many others…
Nearly 50,000 Magazines & Journals

Access More Content Faster

By creating a unified index of an institution’s information resources, EBSCO Discovery Service® (EDS) is able to provide users with an easy, yet powerful means of accessing all of that content with a single search interface. This is achieved by harvesting metadata from both internal (library) and external (database vendors) sources, and creating a pre-indexed service of unprecedented size and speed. Although the resulting collection can be massive in size and scope, the fact that it is indexed locally allows for exceptionally fast search response times. As no two institutions are the same, EBSCO Discovery Service offers a vast array of customization options with regard to both the underlying collection of metadata as well as the front-end delivery of search results. All of this functionality is built upon the powerful EBSCOhost® search experience familiar to researchers worldwide.

Unparalleled Depth of Indexing and Potential for Expansion

EDS customers can build upon the base index by adding metadata representing their own unique collections including their catalog (OPAC), databases, archival collections and more—allowing them to extend and enhance the solution to best fit their needs.

EDS Base Index + Custom Components

The EDS Base Index represents content from approximately 20,000 providers (and growing) in addition to metadata from another 70,000 book publishers.

Although constantly growing, the EDS Base Index currently provides metadata for:

- Nearly 50,000 Magazines & Journals
- Nearly 6 million Books
- Nearly 20,000 Conference Proceedings
- 825,000 CDs & DVDs
- Hundreds of thousands of additional information sources from various source-types, including:
  - Biographies
  - Book Summaries
  - Case Studies
  - Company Profiles
  - Conference Papers
  - Congressional Documents
  - Country Fact Sheets
  - Country Reports
  - Dissertations
  - Educational Reports
  - Essays
  - Financial Reports
  - Government Documents
  - Grey Literature
  - Health Reports
  - Industry Reports
  - Law Documents
  - Market Research Reports
  - Newspapers
  - Newspaper Columns
  - Newswires
  - Pamphlets
  - Primary Source Documents
  - Reviews
  - State/Provincial Fact Sheets
  - Study Guides
  - SWOT Analyses
  - TV & Radio News Transcripts
  - Working Papers
  - And More…

EBSCO Discovery Service Features:

- A single, simple entry point customized for each library
- Detailed metadata (e.g., author-supplied abstracts, keywords, subjects) from the most comprehensive collection of primary publisher partners
- Complete indexing from EBSCHost databases to which an institution subscribes (e.g., CINAHL®, Historical Abstracts®)
- Book jacket images, book records, entertainment records, annotations, family keys, subject headings, demand information, awards, review citations, etc., for hundreds of thousands of publications
- Complete indexing from important non-EBSCHost databases, including resources from Alexander Street Press, LexisNexis, NewsBank, British Library, and many others
- Complete OPAC loaded directly into EDS, with real-time availability checks and daily updates
- Ability to include institutional archives/repositories
- Consolidated, de-duplicated records
- Ability to limit searches to available full text (electronic & print)
- Full-featured user experience (EBSCHost)
- Full-text searching
- Guest access

Also Available on Your Mobile Device
Customize your Discovery experience through Open Integration options

**EBSCO Discovery Service** provides institutions with a single, simple entry point for research and exposes users to the entire array of a library’s collection...

- **Enhanced Branding**
  Bring more visibility to your library and institution brand

- **Library Holdings**
  Limiter available when catalog is loaded

- **Checkboxes**
  Apply multiple facets to filter results

- **Skinnability**
  Choose the color combinations of the interface & font sizes

- **Custom Toolbar**
  You decide the link wording and destination

- **Widgets**
  Import pieces of functionality into the user experience—or export bits of EBSCOhost to your website

Add the search box for Discovery Service onto your library web page next to your links for your library catalog, your e-journals list, and your database list
Extending the Reach of the Discovery Solution by Incorporating External Resources

A Natural Extension of EBSCO Discovery Service™

Even with the unparalleled depth of local indexing provided by EBSCO Discovery Service™, some electronic resources will still need to be searched directly. While this could potentially be a cumbersome, time-intensive process for users, EBSCOhost® Integrated Search™ provides a simple solution that can be fully-integrated with EBSCO Discovery Service.

Like Federated Search Engines, Yet Different

Similar to other federated search engines, EBSCOhost Integrated Search allows users to simultaneously search databases as well as all other electronic resources, including those from database aggregators, OPACs, and publisher packages. However, unlike federated search products, true integration is possible with EBSCOhost® Integrated Search as libraries can easily integrate non-EBSCOhost resources into the powerful EBSCOhost search platform to make for a fast, familiar, and intuitive user experience.

Since EBSCOhost Integrated Search can be seamlessly integrated with EBSCO Discovery Service, users can simply perform a single search query and be presented with one comprehensive list of results culled from all of their electronic resources. For the end user, the search experience is simple and intuitive, yet exceptionally powerful due to the unsurpassed strength of the EBSCOhost search engine.

View the EBSCOhost screenshot on the next page to see how EBSCOhost Integrated Search delivers results to your EBSCOhost Search Experience

EBSCOhost features that are available for any applicable database, from any vendor, include:

- EBSCOhost Basic and Advanced Search Screen functionality
- Subject clustering
- Publication clustering
- Sorting results by relevancy or date
- Date Slider limiter
- "Add to Folders" option
- Use of Custom Links
- Fast response times, allowing other results to display as they become available

Comprehensive

The most complete collection of connectors in the industry

Fast/Immediate Response

Fast access to discovery results, while other connectors display as they become available

Familiar/Easy to Use

- Looks and acts just like EBSCOhost
- Allows EBSCOhost to be the front end for non-EBSCOhost resources

Locally-indexed material

Searches EBSCOhost Databases
Indexing & Full Text
Searches Institutional Repository Metadata
Searches Detailed Metadata & TOC for Tens of Thousands of Journals
Searches Your OPAC

Material not locally indexed

- Other databases not included in EBSCO Discovery Service and not available via the library’s EBSCOhost database collection
- Fast access to discovery results, while other connectors display as they become available
The Familiar, Powerful Search Experience that Serves as the Foundation of the Discovery Service

All elements of the Complete Discovery Solution™ share in the powerful functionality provided by the EBSCOhost search platform. This allows for the most seamless search experience available and requires far less training and support than other discovery/federated search services.

Some of the key features of EBSCOhost that apply to the Complete Discovery Solution include:

1. **Limiters**  
   Limiters, expanders, and search modes are displayed in two-columns to provide more visibility to search options with less need for scrolling. On-screen limiters include date, peer-reviewed, and full text.

2. **Clustering**  
   In addition to the most commonly recurring subjects in a result list, users can distill search results by other relevant index fields.

3. **Open Integration/Web Services**  
   Further expand the reach of the Discovery Solution by extracting elements of the EBSCOhost user experience and making them available as customizable "widgets" via other institutional web pages.

4. **Persistent Linking**  
   Users have the ability to quickly and easily create persistent links to particular full-text articles or other relevant content of interest for easy retrieval at a later time.

5. **Relevancy Ranking**  
   Enhanced algorithms allow for the most relevant searching of all content, with a date slider available to narrow results to particular date periods of interest.

6. **Citation Formatting/Bibliographic Export**  
   Users can quickly extract citations in a variety of formats and export records to popular bibliographic management tools.

Also Available on Your Mobile Device
As part of the Complete Discovery Solution™, EBSCO A-to-Z® provides seamless integration of your e-resource collection knowledge base—adding power to the overall discovery research experience.

EBSCO A-to-Z is a powerful locator tool listing all of a library’s e-resources, including e-journals, titles in full-text databases & publisher packages, and eBooks. EBSCO A-to-Z can include print titles and other available local resources you choose to upload.

The master EBSCO A-to-Z title database represents all major database vendors and publishers, with information on more than 460,000 unique titles from more than 3,600 databases and e-journal packages.

The easy-to-navigate, searchable list of titles allows end users to quickly find any resource, even those buried in a database. Administrative tools allow you to customize the list for your library, including branding the site to match the appearance of the library’s other web-based services.

Key Benefits:
- Market and promote your e-resources to end users by providing a complete and comprehensive list
- Improve end user satisfaction with library services by providing accurate coverage dates and links
- Inform end users with notes about access rights and restrictions
- Evaluate your collection and its usage through advanced reporting options
- Save valuable staff time—EBSCO manages the knowledge base

“We were a Serials Solutions (S.S.) customer, but we have upgraded to EBSCO A-to-Z and are very pleased with what is proving to be a more powerful solution. The A-to-Z product greatly enhances the user’s experience (compared to S.S.). It provides more information, is easier to use, and is perceived to be more responsive.”

—Charles Kuhn, Library Director, Lynn University— Boca Raton, FL
LinkSource® enhances the user experience by directing users to the appropriate full text for items discovered when using EBSCO Discovery Service™.

LinkSource is a vendor-neutral, OpenURL link resolver that puts you in control of item-level linking between your online services, including e-journal sites, full-text and secondary research databases, OPACs, websites, search engines, document delivery, and interlibrary loan forms. With LinkSource, you can connect your end users from the citations in one service to the full text in another, maximizing the use of your full-text collections.

Maximize the use of your full-text collections

Key Benefits:

- Connect users to full-text content quickly and efficiently
- Maximize the use of your collection and improve return on library investment
- Save money by reducing interlibrary loan and document delivery charges
- Increase library resource exposure through inclusion in Google Scholar
EBSCO offers a complete suite of services for e-resource discovery and management

Discovery Solutions

- **EBSCO® Discovery Service**
- **EBSCOhost® Integrated Search**
- **EBSCO Discovery Solutions**
- **EBSCOhost® A-to-Z**
- **EBSCO® LinkSource**

**EBSCO’s Integrated Knowledge Base**
Title Information Database + Order History + Global Knowledge Base

Management Solutions

- **EBSCONET® Subscription Management**
  EBSCO’s comprehensive subscription management platform, helping information professionals manage each step of the subscription life cycle

- **EBSCONET® E-Package Renewals**
  Simplifies renewal of e-journal packages using proprietary technology from EBSCO, reducing days or weeks of work to just a few hours

- **EBSCONET® ERM Essentials**
  Comprehensive e-resource management (ERM) solution; created for all e-resources, auto-populated for e-journals and e-packages acquired through EBSCO

- **EBSCONET® Usage Consolidation**
  Central reporting interface for usage statistics, with automatic harvesting through SUSHI; leverages cost data and other information maintained in ERM Essentials for meaningful usage analysis

**EBSCO® MARC Updates**
Comprehensive source of MARC cataloging that allows libraries to easily include virtually all of their e-resources in their catalog

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