

Getting the Most Out of ScienceDirect in EBSCO Discovery Service

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To ensure that use of your licensed ScienceDirect products and collections are optimized within EDS, you will need to:

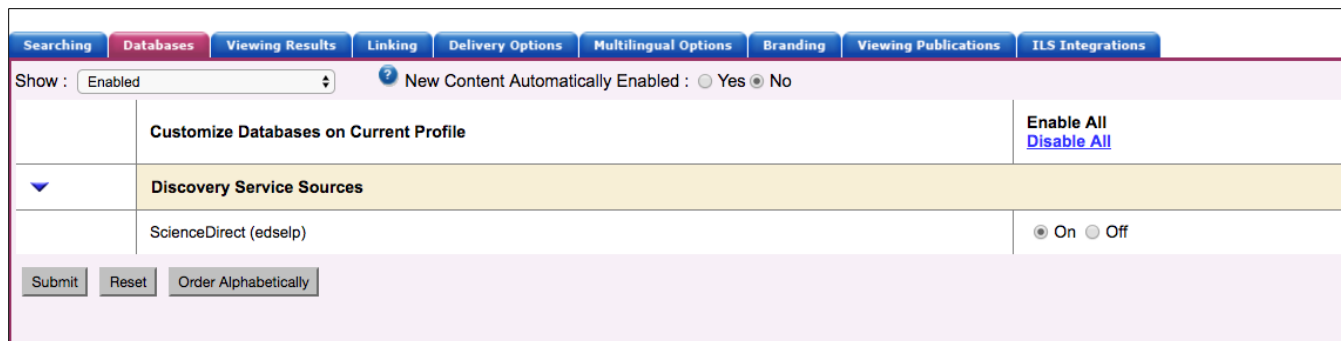
1. Check your licensed collections are correctly activated in your EDS profile and also in the knowledge base of your link resolver.
2. Select your full text linking option(s) and configure appropriately.
3. Check other EDS configuration options. For details on each of these steps, see below.

This guide has been developed to help libraries configure EDS to most effectively leverage their investment in ScienceDirect content. Our research shows that the appropriate configuration of EDS is an important determinant in the discoverability of the licensed content. Furthermore, using the CustomLinks option in EDS is the *best* way to ensure your users connect reliably.

Activating ScienceDirect Content in EBSCOadmin

To ensure ScienceDirect results are discoverable in EDS you will need to make sure the appropriate database(s) are enabled. For instructions on adding or removing a database from your EDS profile in EBSCOadmin, [click here](#).

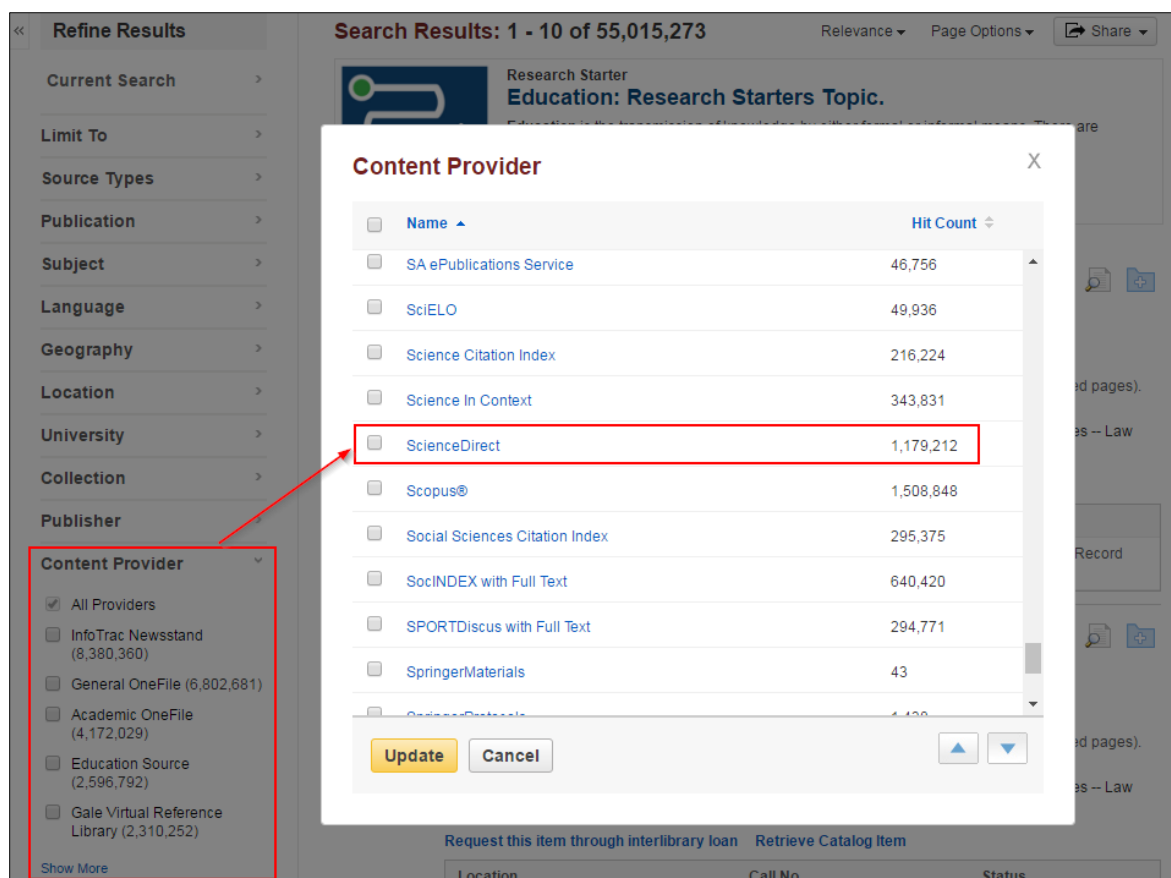
1. The ScienceDirect (edsip) EDS partner database should be enabled in your profile



Searching	Databases	Viewing Results	Linking	Delivery Options	Multilingual Options	Branding	Viewing Publications	ILS Integrations
Show : Enabled New Content Automatically Enabled : <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No								
Customize Databases on Current Profile							Enable All Disable All	
Discovery Service Sources								
ScienceDirect (edsip)							<input checked="" type="radio"/> On <input type="radio"/> Off	
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Reset"/> <input type="button" value="Order Alphabetically"/>								

Locating ScienceDirect Content in EBSCO Discovery Service

There are two ways to limit your EDS search results to ScienceDirect content. The first is by limiting to “ScienceDirect” on the Content Provider facet available from your Search Results. .



Linking from EBSCO Discovery Service to ScienceDirect

To enable linking from EDS to full text, you should set up both the ScienceDirect CustomLink as well as your link resolver. Administrators can customize full-text links at any time using *EBSCOadmin*, which also allows a customer to choose to display a single option for users to access full text (preferred and the default) or multiple options, such as the ScienceDirect CustomLink and your link resolver.

Using CustomLinks to ScienceDirect

You can use the ScienceDirect CustomLink to link from EDS to the full-text content you subscribe to on the appropriate ScienceDirect platform. Once you've confirmed that your subscriptions are included in your EDS profile, you can set up CustomLinks.

To set up a CustomLink from EDS to ScienceDirect:

The screenshot shows the EBSCOADMIN interface. The 'Site/Group Maintenance' link is highlighted in the top right. Below the navigation tabs, the 'Site/Group Maintenance' section is active. A table with columns for Site Name, Site ID, CustomLinks, Branding, Select Service, Holdings Management, EBSCOhost Connection, eBooks, Audiobooks, and EON is displayed. The 'Go' link under the 'CustomLinks' column is highlighted with a red box.

Site Name	Site ID	CustomLinks	Branding	Select Service	Holdings Management	EBSCOhost Connection	eBooks	Audiobooks	EON
		Go	Go	Go	Go	Go	Go	Go	Go

1. Log in to EBSCOadmin at <http://eadmin.ebscohost.com>.
2. Click the **Site/Group Maintenance** button, then click on **Go** below CustomLinks.
3. Click on **Add New CustomLink**.
4. Select **Copy from existing CustomLink** and click on **Continue**.
5. Select **Full Text** from the Category drop down list.
6. Click on **++show other available CustomLinks**.

Site Group

Add New CustomLink | [SetUp/Maintain Proxies](#)

Copy from existing CustomLink

Choose category: Full Text Managed By

[++show other available CustomLinks](#)

7. Select the appropriate CustomLink for your collection:
 - ScienceDirect (all content)
8. Under **Local Collections for Filter**, select any collections, as appropriate, that you subscribe to.

Local Collections for Filter

ELSEVIER: ScienceDirect (system.a0260146)
 ELSEVIER: ScienceDirect - AP IDEAL (system.a0260589)
 ELSEVIER: ScienceDirect - Cell Press (system.a0260247)
 ELSEVIER: ScienceDirect - Cell Press Free (system.a0261673)
 ELSEVIER: ScienceDirect - Urban & Fischer (system.a0263587)

9. Complete the remaining fields that meet your library's needs and click **Submit**.
10. Next, add the link to your profile. Click the **Customize Services** Tab, select your profile and then click the **Linking** Sub-Tab.
11. Click the **Modify** link to the right of CustomLinks.

Customize EBSCO services - [Tutorial](#) ?

Edit profiles for your library that determine which search options, databases, and collections are available to your patrons.

Choose Profile: EBSCO Discovery Service (eds) - eds [Profile Maintenance](#)


Description (Profile ID) - Interface [View Changes on EBSCO](#)

Searching Databases Viewing Results **Linking** Delivery Options Multilingual Options Branding Viewing Publications ILS Integrations

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12. Click **Add New CustomLink** and mark the Select box to the left of the CustomLink name.
13. Click **Submit**. Your changes are saved.
14. Repeat steps 10-13 for any other profiles to which you want to add your CustomLink.

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Add New CustomLinks SetUp/Maintain CustomLinks								
Select	Link Name	Owned By	Category	View Properties				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ScienceDirect (all content)	EBSCO	Full Text	Go				
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>		 View Changes on EBSCO						

Using a Link Resolver CustomLink

A link resolver is software that uses OpenURL data to provide item-level linking among the various online options. In order to display the link to the link resolver on the search results page, your link resolver needs to be activated as a CustomLink in EDS.

The link resolver CustomLink is configured to key off of the local collections and enables the Available in Library Collection (AiLC) limiter, thus displaying the link to your link resolver on all records that are known to be in your library collection. If you have a link resolver, you will want to make sure that the subscriptions you have are enabled in your link resolver's knowledge base.

If you are a *Full Text Finder* customer, a link resolver CustomLink will be automatically added to your EDS profile. In addition, your EBSCO Knowledge Base collections will be imported to *EBSCOadmin* to enable the AiLC limiter.

If you use a third-party link resolver such as SFX or 360 Link, you will need to set up your link resolver CustomLink, and you will be able to import your knowledge base holdings to enable the AiLC limiter. This will be done as part of the EDS set-up process. For more information on how to automatically update your collections in *EBSCOadmin*, see the following Support page:

https://help.ebsco.com/interfaces/EBSCO_Discovery_Service/EDS_Admin_Guide/Available_in_Library_Collection_limiter_Serial_Solutions_SFX.

Ranking Full Text links in EDS

EBSCOadmin allows administrators to set the order of the full text links that appear on the EDS result list for each record. For example, if you would like your ScienceDirect CustomLinks to appear before *EBSCOhost* full text or your link resolver, the order can be adjusted to display it accordingly. It is important to think about the order of the links for your institution because preferences do vary.

For more information on CustomLink order, as well as instructions on ordering your CustomLinks, see the Support FAQ Ranking CustomLinks in EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS) at https://help.ebsco.com/interfaces/EBSCO_Discovery_Service/EDS_Admin_Guide/Ranking_CustomLinks_in_EDS.

Note the option to "Show First Available Full Text Only". If this option is checked and an item is available both from ScienceDirect and, for example, Cengage Learning, then only the first of these would show, i.e. the one that is listed highest in the CustomLink ranking. We strongly recommend that you carefully consider the CustomLink order *EBSCOadmin*.

EDS Search Features

EDS has two features designed to ensure users receive the highest quality records related to their search:

Relevancy Ranking – EDS uses an advanced algorithm to rank records in order of relevance to the search term and importance to the user. This algorithm weighs search term matches in the record based on the fields the match occurs in. For more details on this feature, see this Support FAQ:

https://help.ebsco.com/interfaces/EBSCO_Discovery_Service/EDS_FAQs/relevance_ranking_determined_in_EDS.

Record De-duplication – For records that match on core fields like title, author, date, volume, and issue, EDS automatically removes records with lower relevancy from the result list in favor of higher ranked records. For more details on this feature, see this Support FAQ:

https://help.ebsco.com/interfaces/EBSCO_Guides/General_Product_FAQs/prevent_duplicate_results_in_search_results.

These two features, which are key to the EDS experience, do not discriminate by record origin. Records from any source—either content received from publishers or indexed by the EBSCO Editorial staff—may appear higher in the result list or win out in record de-duplication.

Still Need Help?

You can contact EBSCO Discovery Service Customer Support at support@ebsco.com if you need help accessing the ScienceDirect content in EDS or have any questions. For the most up-to-date version of this guide, please visit http://support.ebsco.com/eds/content/en_eds_sciencedirect_quickrefguide.pdf.