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# Why Deaths of Despair Are Increasing in the US and Not Other Industrial Nations—Insights From Neuroscience and Anthropology

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### Why it is important to know the literature

- To contribute knowledge, you need to know the state-of-the-art (in the latest results, methods, ways of thinking, technologies, challenges)
- Things are always more complex and subtle than you think
- Become aware of the established and emerging experts in the field
- Become an expert yourself and learn the jargon
- Get a renewed perspective on your own research

Literature review is a continuous process with many feedback loops

# Anatomy of a journal article



abstract

intro

electrode (RDE) measurements, but they are prone to oxidation and are unsuitable for practical devices14. In fact, the stability of nickel in a fuel cell working environment, that is, at elevated temperature and high current density, is not well demonstrated. As a result, previously reported Ni catalysts do not exhibit good performance in a complete cell configuration, especially with a PGM-free cathode. Here, we report a Ni catalyst that exhibits an intrinsic activity of 70µA per cm2 Ni (70µA cms, 2). PGM-free HEMFCs employing this catalyst gave a peak power density of 488 mW cm<sup>-2</sup> at 95 °C and 443 mW cm<sup>-2</sup> at 80 °C, about six times higher than the previous best analogous HEMFCs. The superior activity of our catalyst is due to balanced hydrogen binding energy (HBE) and hydroxide binding energy (OHBE), resulting from a fine-tuned Ni-support

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Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) showed that Ni-H.-NH, and Ni-NH, contained small, separated nanoparticles with an average size of 13.3 ± 3.5 and 8.6 ± 2.1 nm, respectively, whereas Ni-H, was composed of sintered particles with a large grain size (Fig. 1b-d and Supplementary Fig. 4). The Supplementary Notes and Supplementary Figs. 5-10 provide additional characterization data for Ni-H.-NH., Ni-NH, and Ni-H., High-resolution

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physisorption). Our fitting results showed that the hydrogen binding strength follows the order Ni:>Ni-H<sub>2</sub>>Ni-H<sub>2</sub>-Ni-NH<sub>3</sub>>Pt /C (Fig. 3b). These data agree with the prediction of d-band theory.

We then probed whether OHBE was relevant for the HOR on our catalysts through isotope experiments. We tested the HOR on Ni-H<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>3</sub> in deuterated electrolytes (Fig. 3c and Isotopic study in the Supplementary Notes). After removing the diffusion KOD compared with it

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demonstrating the ability of our catalyst to w temperature and large current. Pt migration in the fuel cell test was excluded by XPS an face after the durability test (Supplementar the metallic nanoparticles in Ni-H,-NH, we bility test (Supplementary Fig. 32). Overall, t robustness of our new Ni catalyst under dev demonstrate the potential of Earth-abundar development of efficient PGM-free HEMFO

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# Anatomy of a journal article

Lots of (some click-bait-y) online advice, pick and choose what works for you

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- Strategic Reading, Ontologies, and the Future of Scientific Publishing Science (interesting historical perspective)
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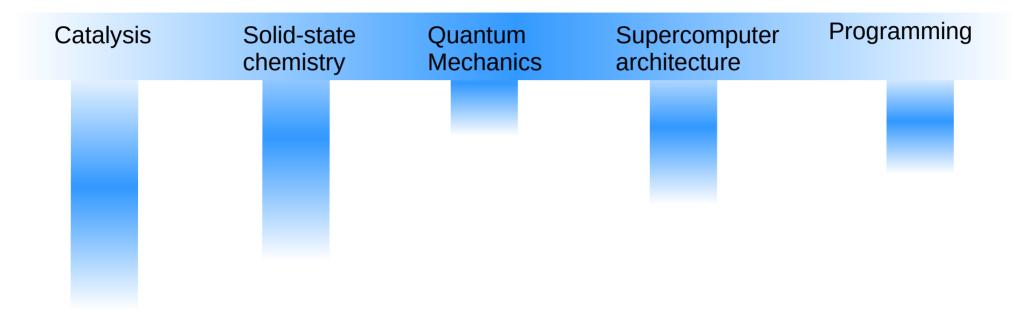
# Anatomy of a journal article

Many different types of journal articles:

- Article
- Communication/Letter
- Review
- Perspective
- Tutorial/Methods
- Software (e.g., JOSS)

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# Reading broadly and deeply



Make note of what you do and do not know. Time spent on focused learning of new topics will always eventually pay off Prioritize what will enable you to progress in your research.

# Questions to ask yourself while reading

#### Introduction

- Are the motivations clear and compelling?
- Are the objectives clear and compelling?
- Is the literature presented up-to-date?
- Are the appropriate references cited?

#### **Methods**

- Are the methods appropriate?
- Have the authors properly calibrated/ converged the authors' results?

#### **Results**

- Are the conclusions supported by data?
- Are the conclusions logical and well-reasoned?
- Is there sufficient data?
- Is the data clearly presented?

#### **Discussion**

- What claims are supported by the data?
- What claims are supported by the literature?
- Are the results consistent with literature?
- Are the authors comparing apples-to-apples?
- Do the assumptions match the system?
- Are you convinced of the conclusions?

# Questions to ask yourself while reading

TABLE I. Fundamental and optical band gap of BiVO<sub>4</sub> as obtained with various methods. The fundamental gap  $E_{\rm g}$  does not account for the effects of spin-orbit coupling, electron-hole interaction or atomic vibrations. The fundamental gap  $E_{\rm g}^{\rm corr.}$  includes corrections from spin-orbit coupling, nuclear quantum effects, and thermal vibrations.  $E_{\rm g}^{\rm opt.}$  corresponds to the optical band gap.  $\tilde{W}_0$  and  $\tilde{W}$  correspond to the inclusion of the vertex corrections in the screening.

	E <sub>g</sub> (eV)	Egcorr. (eV)	E <sup>opt.</sup> (eV)
PBE	2.18	1.48	1.37
HSE	3.18	2.13	2.02
PBE0	3.92	2.87	2.76
$G_0W_0$ @PBE	3.52	2.47	2.36
$G_0W_0$ @HSE	3.68	2.63	2.52
$G_0W_0$ @PBE0	3.98	2.93	2.82
$G_0 ilde{W}_0$ @PBE	3.39	2.34	2.23
$G_0 ilde{W}_0$ @HSE	3.43	2.38	2.27
$G_0 \tilde{W}_0$ @PBE0	3.63	2.58	2.47
$\operatorname{QS} G  ilde{W}$	3.64	2.59	2.48
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#### Example: electronic band gap

- fundamental v optical band gap
- Renormalization of band gap

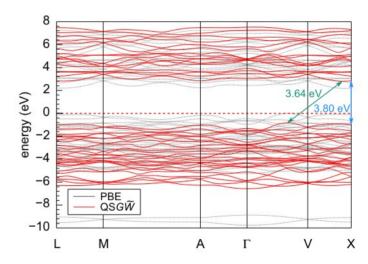


FIG. 2. Band structure of m-BiVO<sub>4</sub> calculated using the PBE functional (black dashed line) and the QS $G\tilde{W}$  method (red solid lines). The QS $G\tilde{W}$  band structure is generated assuming, for each group of bands, a linear relationship between the GW corrections and the energy. The energies are referred to the PBE valence-band maximum. The point X corresponds to (0.5, 0, 0.25) in reduced units, for the positions of the other points see Ref. [16].

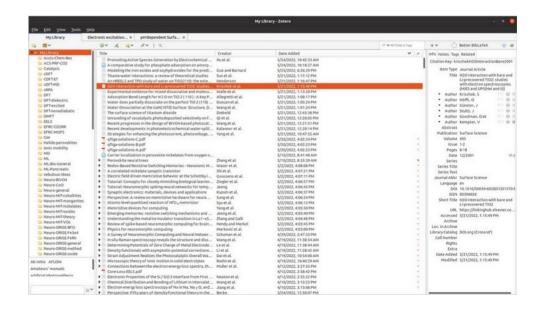
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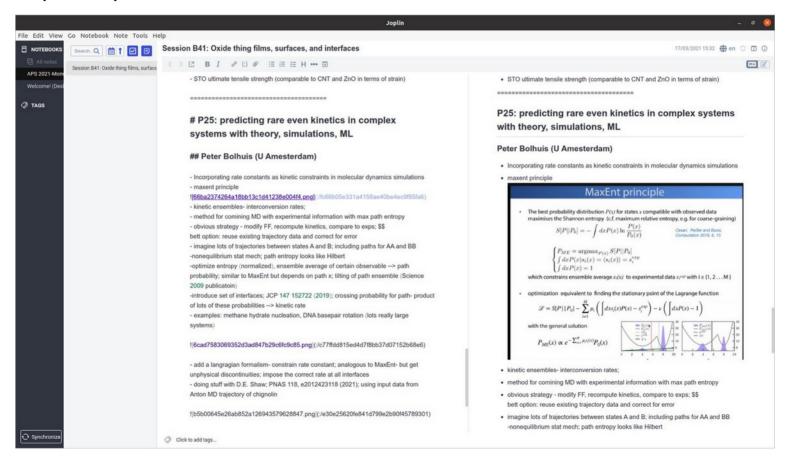
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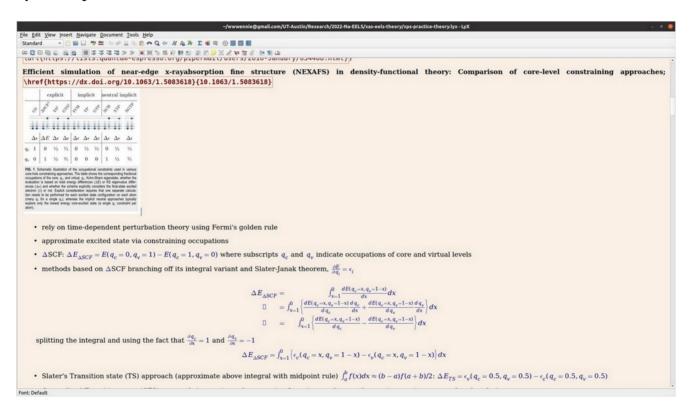
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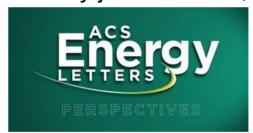






Reviews of Modern Physics

Perspectives- often by journal article, e.g.,





#### Perspectives

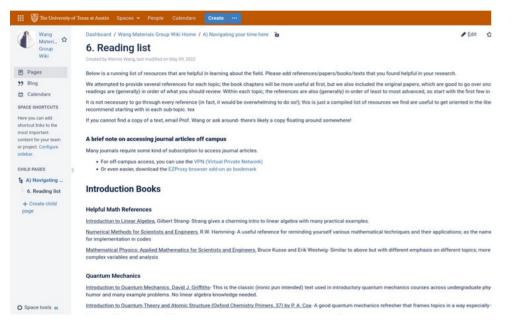
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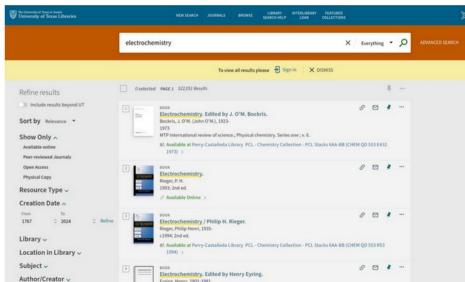
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# Don't forget the textbook (and library)

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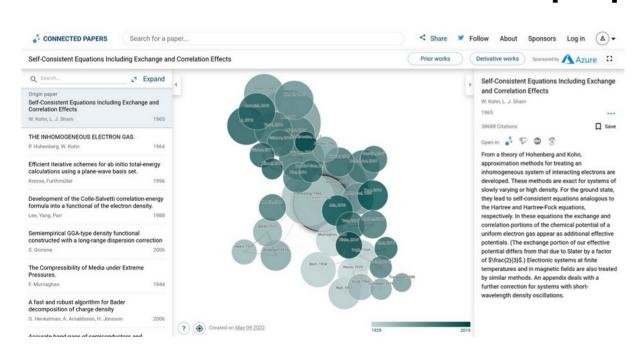




By no means exhaustive; add any you find!

### Know the most recent literature

# Know the seminal papers of the field





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#### Some (pseudo)-indicators:

- Citation count
- Journal Impact Factor
  - = # recent citations/# articles

**CURRENT CONCEPTS REVIEW** 

#### Understanding the Limitations of the Journal Impact Factor

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Diversity, value and limitations of the journal impact factor and alternative metrics

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### Be aware of the people at the forefront of the field



#### An efficient nickel hydrogen oxidation catalyst for hydroxide exchange membrane fuel cells

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The hydroxide exchange membrane fuel cell (HEMFC) is a promising energy conversion technology but is limited by the need for platinum group metal (PGM) electrocatalysts, especially for the hydrogen oxidation reaction (HOR). Here we report a Ni-based HOR catalyst that exhibits an electrochemical surface area-normalized exchange current density of 70 µA cm<sup>-2</sup>, the highest among PGM-free catalysts. The catalyst comprises Ni nanoparticles embedded in a nitrogen-doped carbon support. According to X-ray and ultraviolet photoelectron spectroscopy as well as H, chemisorption data, the electronic interaction between the Ni nanoparticles and the support leads to balanced hydrogen and hydroxide binding energies, which are the likely origin of the catalyst's high activity. PGM-free HEMFCs employing this Ni-based HOR catalyst give a peak power density of 488 mW cm<sup>2</sup>, up to 6.4 times higher than previous best-performing analogous HEMFCs. This work demonstrates the feasibility of efficient

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a high intrinsic activity, but also in exhibiting other desirable tance to high temperature, anodic potential and CO poisoning'. Among Earth-abundant metals, nickel proves to be the best candidate to meet these requirements. Nevertheless, state-of-the-art Ni catalysts typically exhibit intrinsic activity below 40 µA per cm2 electrochemical surface area (ECSA) of the catalyst (40µAcm, --; refs. [6, 10]). Although a few catalysts have a higher intrinsic activity, their surface areas are very small[6, 11]. Furthermore, some catalysts Notes and Supplementary Fig. 4). The Supplementary Fig. 5–10 provide additional characterexhibit good mass activity in model studies involving rotating disc ization data for Ni-H,-NH, Ni-NH, and Ni-H, High-resolution

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