Finding information and managing those references

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So before I start... a couple of quick questions for you...
My aim today is to answer these questions...

- What information resources does the library have?
- How can I find information on these library resources?
- What can I do if I can’t find the full text article?
- How can I manage my references?
What RESOURCES does the library have?
We have lots of resources!

LibrarySearch

http://librarysearch.rhul.ac.uk

Library Subject Guides

http://libguides.rhul.ac.uk/Physics

Online resources (Eresources)

Full listing of resources can be found here: http://libguides.rhul.ac.uk/az.php
How can I FIND information?
Combining Keywords

**AND** – _narrows_ results by returning results with both terms listed as keywords

**NOT** – _narrows_ results by returning results with only one term listed as a keyword

**OR** – _broadens_ results by returning results with either term listed as keywords
Wildcard searching – hints & tips

Use wildcard characters (\$ ? * - #) to replace letters in search terms

Examples:

- `electromagnet*` - finds `electromagnetic`, `electromagnetism`, etc.
- `organizzazione` - finds `organization`, `organisation`, etc.

NB: Help pages in online databases will explain which character is used as the wildcard.
Beware of alternative words...

- **ECLAIR**
- **PROFITEROLE**, choux pastry, choux bun
- **GATEUX**, cake

**PÂTISSERIE**

- cakes, bakery, pastries, French pastries...

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No full text access?

Don’t worry – we’ve got you’re back!
Are you off-campus?

Royal Holloway ‘Campus Anywhere’ (VPN)

The only way to access all of our electronic resources off campus is to use the Virtual Private Network (VPN) service, known as 'CampusAnywhere'.

How to set up the VPN connection: [http://www.rhul.ac.uk/it](http://www.rhul.ac.uk/it)
(or click the link at the bottom of any Royal Holloway home page)
What is an Inter-Library Loan?

How long does it take?
• The short answer? It can depend...

Is there a charge?
• No charges to you (though it does cost us money)

How can I make an ILL loan?
• Log into LibrarySearch (see top right hand side)
• Click on the Inter-Library Loans button

For further information on interlibrary loans, check out the Library Webpages HERE.
Is it available via Senate House Library?

Senate House Library
Russell Square, London WC1E 7HU
Apply online for membership, visit for full access.

SCONUL Access Scheme
Apply online for membership/visitor access to university Libraries.
How can I MANAGE my references?
Selecting & saving results & full text

Most databases allow you to:

• Save results to a ‘folder’
• Save, print, download or email results
• Save search ‘histories’ & re-run them
• Create alerts and / or set up RSS feeds

*Always* make a note of your search queries and which database you used.
What is RefWorks?

• Bibliographic management software
• Save and organise references in one place
• Bibliographies and reference lists created in a flash!

You can access it via this Physics Citing & Referencing Guide here: http://libguides.rhul.ac.uk/Physics
Before I scoot off, my last few questions...
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1-2-1 Sessions (email me! 😊)

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> “Training” tab