Searching for electronic articles in AU Library

At AU Library we have bought access to a lot of journals and e-books, but it can sometimes be hard to figure out the system, if you do not use it often. Here are some tips and ideas on how to find journal articles at AU Library.

Sometimes you can just enter the title of the article into Google and get directly to the article on the journals website. However, this does not always mean that you get access to the article. Ideally, you should have access to journals that we have bought access to just by entering the journals website, because the website should know that you are coming from an AU IP-address. Sometimes however that bit can get lost, and it will then be necessary to go through AU Library to get access to the articles.

When we are dealing with journal articles most of the action happens in SEARCH, which is what we call the search engine on the AU Library website.

If we assume that you know which article you are looking for and you have the reference for that article it can be advantageous to use the function “Advanced search”.
When you are searching in this way, you are not searching in the journals databases, and you should therefore not write the title of the article you want to find, as this will only exclude relevant posts from your search. You should instead only type in the journal name in the field “Journal title”.
When you search using the journal title, you are searching for both our printed journals and the online journals that we have purchased access to. You can easily see if a post is about an online journal, because it will say [electronic ressource] at the end of the journal title.

On the left side of the screen it is possible to limit your search, by specifying that you only want to see e-journals or printed journals.
When you have found the journal you are looking for, click on the title and the post will expand to reveal more details about the post. **OBS:** In SEARCH you can only find journals that we have some form of access to.

In the field “**URL**”, you can see the different kinds of access that we have to the journal. This also shows another reason why you might not have access through the publisher’s website, as we may have purchased access via “big bundles”, and the files we have access to might not be on the same server as the publisher’s website. In the example above you can see that we have access to Chemical Physics from 1973 until now, however you need to go through different links depending on the age of the article you are looking for.
If you go to the publisher’s website via this route, you will see that you are logged in as “Aarhus University”, “Statsbiblioteket” or some other variation thereof, and the URL will contain the wording “ez.statsbiblioteket.dk:2048”.

So what do we have access to?

As previously mentioned we have access to a lot of different resources, journals and databases, and this is just a few examples:

- **American Chemical Society** (All journals published here)
- **Royal Society of Chemistry** (All journals published here, but some of the older volumes of the journals are not in E-form. These can be ordered through the library.)
- **Journal of Chemical Physics** (1933 until now)
- **Reaxys**
- **Chemical Physics** (1973 until now)
- **ChemElectroChem** (2014 until now)
- **Nature Chemistry** (2009 until now)
- **Angewandte Chemie** (international edition, 1963 until now)

In addition to many more.

This is all well and good, but I have searched through AU Library and cannot find/access the journal/article I need. What do I do now?

I am glad you asked! You now have two options:

Option number one:
At the bottom of the page on Library.au.dk you will find the function “We will get it for you”, which will guide you through the procedure of giving the library information about what you are searching for, and then we will find a way of trying to get it for you.

Option number two:

Write an email to me at mhg@au.dk or to nymunkegade.library@au.dk with all the information you have about what you are looking for. Include links/DOI to the article, if possible. For this option to work, you need a library account at AU Library/The Royal Library (formerly known as the State Library), and you need to have logged into that account at least once.

Bonus information about books for Instructors.

If you need books for your instructors, the library can purchase them for you and lend them to the instructors for a semester at a time.

You just have to write me about what book you need, how many copies, and which EAN-, Project- and Activity-number the money is to be taken from. Then I will order the books for you and catalogue them in the library database as instructor books, which will only be lent out to instructors.