



Journal alerts

Receive alerts when new new issues of your favourite journals are published.

- Publisher websites
- JournalTOCs

Publisher website

Advantage

- Usually faster than other alert services.

Disadvantages

- Cover a small number of journals.
- More difficult to manage your alerts.

JournalTOCs

Advantages

- Alerts available for thousands of journals.
- Manage alerts in one place.

Disadvantage

- It takes slightly longer for alerts to be sent.

Year-round publishing



Some journals release articles online **all year round, between issues.**



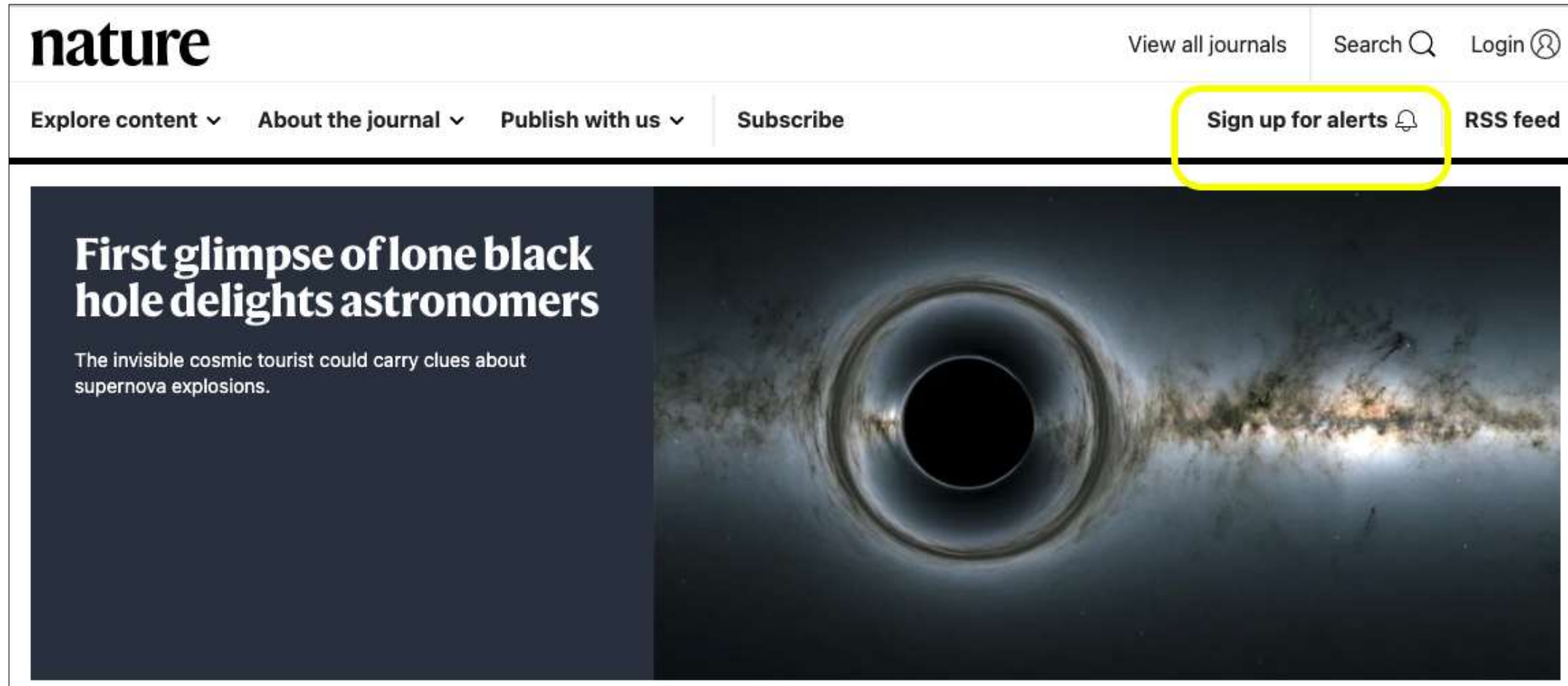
Possible delay in receiving notifications of these articles if relying on alerts for new journal issues.

Nature journal

Go to the Nature website (<https://www.nature.com/>).

Nature sign up

Click 'Sign up for alerts'.



The image shows a screenshot of the Nature website. The top navigation bar includes the 'nature' logo on the left, and links for 'View all journals', 'Search' (with a magnifying glass icon), and 'Login' (with a person icon) on the right. Below this, a secondary navigation bar contains 'Explore content' (with a dropdown arrow), 'About the journal' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Publish with us' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Subscribe', 'Sign up for alerts' (with a bell icon and highlighted by a yellow box), and 'RSS feed'. The main content area features a large article preview with the headline 'First glimpse of lone black hole delights astronomers' and a sub-headline 'The invisible cosmic tourist could carry clues about supernova explosions.' The background image of the article preview shows a black hole with a glowing accretion disk against a starry sky.

Nature: sign up options

If you already have an account, sign in. Otherwise **register** with an **email address and password**.

nature portfolio View All Nature Research Journals Search

To proceed, please log in to nature.com

Email

Password

[Forgot your password?](#)

Don't have an account?

Registering for a free nature.com account will provide you with access to breaking news services, alerts on the latest research and more.

Not yet a subscriber?

To receive instant access to current Nature



Nature: verify email address

- **Click the link** in the **automated email** you receive prompting you to **verify your account**.
- You will be taken to a web page where you need to fill in details about your **subscription preferences**.
- Upon completion, you will be subscribed to Nature.



Nature: manage and add to journal email alerts

Go to your **account area** (<https://www.nature.com/my-account/alerts>) to **manage** and **add** to the journals you will receive email alerts for.

Demonstration: JournalTOCs

Go to the JournalTOCs website
(<http://www.journaltoCs.ac.uk/>).

JournalTOCs: sign up

1. Sign up by clicking the 'sign up' button in the middle of the webpage

The screenshot displays the JournalTOCs website interface. On the left, a vertical list of journal titles is shown, including 'Avances: investigacion en ingenie...', 'Journal of Selcuk Communication', 'Journal of Photonics for Energy', 'Visualized Cancer Medicine', 'International Journal of Linguisti...', 'Hybrid Journal of Literary and Cul...', 'Studia Ceranea. Journal of the Wal...', 'Therapeutic Advances in Reproducti...', 'Androgens : Clinical Research and ...', 'Network and Systems Medicine', 'Health Information : Jurnal Peneli...', 'Biological and Clinical Sciences R...', 'Liberal Arts and Social Sciences I...', and 'Journal of Current Biomedical Repo...'. Below this list, a text block states: 'Developers are welcome to use our free API to directly access our entire database of articles, journals and publishers to embed TOCs in their library catalogues, portals, widgets and web pages. (read more ...)'. The central area features a '0 Followed Journal(s) (Journals you Follow)' section with instructions: 'Start to Search and Browse to select the Journals you want to Follow.' and 'Add the journals you want to follow by ticking the checkboxes from search or browse results.' A prominent green-bordered box highlights the 'Sign Up' button and its description: 'Sign Up to search in your chosen journals and, optionally, receive Email Alerts when new issues are published in the journals you Follow. (Already have an account? Sign In to see the journals you follow.)'. Below this is a 'MOST FOLLOWED JOURNALS View all >' section with a grid of journal titles and checkboxes, including Nature, Science, New England J. of Med., The Lancet, JAMA, Library Hi Tech, Library & Information..., The Electronic Librar..., J. of Information Sci., The J. of Academic Li., Library Management, D-Lib Magazine, BMJ, The Library Quarterly., Library Review, Library Hi Tech News, J. of Librarianship a., AIAA J., J. of Information Lit., Proceedings of the Na., Cell, and New Library World. On the right side, there are two sections: 'Publishers' listing Inderscience Publishers, Medknow Publishers, Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, RMIT Publishing, Hindawi, and BMC (Biomed Central); and 'TOP SUBJECTS View all >' listing Medical sciences, Business and economics, Biology, Engineering, Education, Language and literature, Computer science, Social sciences, History, Law, Health and safety, Political science, Mathematics, Agriculture, Psychology, and Humanities.

JournalTOCs: search

2. After signing up and signing in, either search for a specific journal in the search bar or browse by subjects or publisher.



The screenshot shows the JournalTOCs website homepage. At the top, it says "Welcome to JournalTOCs" in orange and "Where researchers keep up-to-date" in white. Below this is a navigation bar with links for "Search", "Subjects A-Z", "Publishers A-Z", "Customise", and "APIs". The "Search" link is highlighted. In the center, there are two tabs: "Journals" (selected) and "Articles". Below the "Journals" tab is a search bar with the text "Search by Title or ISSN" and a "Go" button. To the right of the search bar, there is a text block that reads: "JournalTOCs is the largest, free collection of scholarly journal Tables of Contents (TOCs): **35,490** journals including **17,417** selected **Open Access** journals and **12,191 Hybrid** journals, from **3770** publishers." Below this text block, it says "JournalTOCs is for researchers, students, librarians".

JournalTOCs: follow journal

3. Once you have found a journal, tick the 'Follow' box. This will mean you are following the journal and it has been logged as a journal of interest.



The screenshot displays the journal entry for 'Textile : The Journal of Cloth and Culture'. The journal cover image is on the left. The journal title is 'Textile : The Journal of Cloth and Culture'. Below the title, the Journal Prestige (SJR) is 0.108, followed by five stars. The number of followers is 26, and the 'Follow' button is circled in green. Below the 'Follow' button are icons for RSS and a red 'X' icon. The journal is a 'Hybrid journal' containing 2 'Open Access article(s) in this issue'. The ISSN (Print) is 1475-9756 and the ISSN (Online) is 1751-8350. It is published by Taylor and Francis, which has 2600 journals. Below the journal information, there are two article entries, each with a plus sign and a checkbox:

- The Art of Mirror Embroidery on Women's Wear and Home Furnishing Products, in Two Villages of Sanghar Sindh
- Textile2020-09-01T09:02:43Z
DOI: 10.1080/14759756.2020.1783056
- Exhibition Review

JournalTOCs: settings

4. To receive email alerts for that journal, hover over your name in the top right of the webpage and click 'Followed Journals' from the dropdown.



JournalTOCs: alerts

5. In the 'Followed Journals' area of your account, make sure the box at the bottom of the screen is ticked so that it reads 'Email alerts is on'



HOME > 7 Followed Journal(s) *(Journals you Follow)*

Untick a checkbox to stop following a journal.

Sort By **Journal Title** ▾

- American Journal of Economics ▶ OA (22 followers)
- Astronomical Review ▶ OA (4 followers)
- Journal of Healthcare Informatics Research ▶ (1 follower)
- * Journal of Sociology ▶ (52 followers)
- * Political Analysis ▶ (62 followers)
- * Textile : The Journal of Cloth and Culture ▶ (27 followers)
- * Victorian Studies ▶ (35 followers)

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