Beyond books & articles
Finding conference papers
Why are conference papers important for research?

Discovering the latest research

- Results of research made available before formal publication in a journal

Maintain awareness of developments in your field

Find the ‘journey’ of the research

- See how research has been shaped from conference to journal article
Finding conference papers - online

- Open Access repositories (Oxford University Research Archive)
- Host society’s web pages
- Search by title in Google/Google Scholar
Finding conference papers - SOLO

Search for the title in SOLO (Oxford Collections)

Or try some keywords:
- Organisation name
- Editor’s name
- Location of conference
- Date of Conference
Finding conference papers - SOLO

TIP: For more general searches, use ‘Congresses’ as a subject term in the ‘Advanced Search’ settings on SOLO.
Finding conference papers – print elsewhere

Search other libraries via:

- Library Hub Discover (UK research libraries)
  https://discover.libraryhub.jisc.ac.uk
- British Library explore.bl.uk
- WorldCat www.worldcat.org

Request an inter-library loan:
www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/using/ill
Finding conference papers – databases

- Bibliographic databases
- Subject-relevant databases
- Databases of conference papers only
  - Zetoc https://zetoc.jisc.ac.uk/
  - OpenDOAR http://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opendoar/
Finding conference papers – databases

Databases of conference papers only:

• Conference Papers Index (ProQuest) – mostly scientific material

• IEEE Conference Proceedings – physics, engineering, material science and computer science papers

• PapersFirst and ProceedingsFirst

• Conference Proceedings Citation Index (Web of Science)
Handouts:

Available at:
https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/workshops/handouts
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Try searching for conferences related to your research topic or using the research query you created in the search building exercise.