

Checking for Full Text

Finding Full text sources is a critical skill for researching.

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The results list in EBSCO shows four different options. Here's a quick guide to what these icons look like and mean for you.



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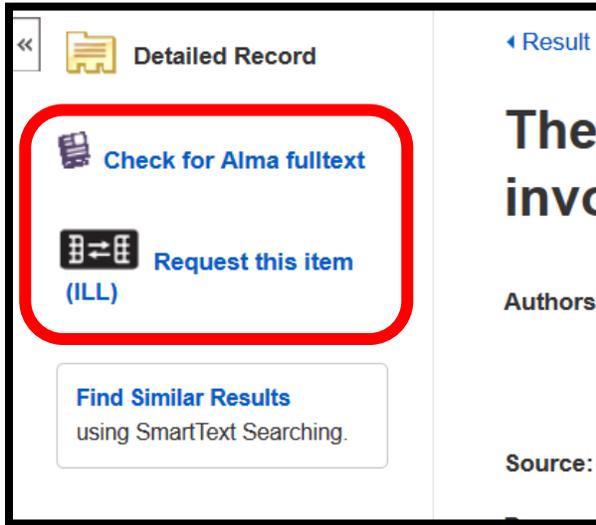


When no full text is available, you will be presented with these two options. When you are looking up the article's details, the left column shows all access options.

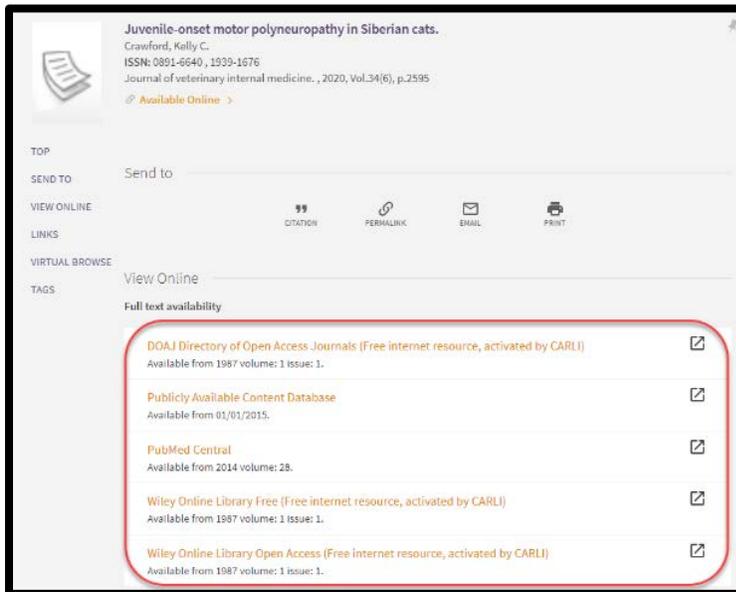
Note: *If you have an article with one of these icons, just click on it to go to the full text.*

Clicking the Alma Fulltext button could bring you to one of two results. Both will get you the full text.

1. This full text option is instantly available. Click the Check for Alma fulltext icon and wait for a moment while a second tab opens and the helper program looks for a match. Use the new database's options to open the full text.



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2. This full text result will be available within 48 hours. To see the ILL process, you repeat the above process with a new article. If there is no HTML or PDF icon, click on Check for Alma fulltext. Instead of opening a new tab with your desired article, you will see the sign in invitation from the library catalog. **Note:** This sign in option is only for books and DVDs—not for articles. Do not try any of the options on this page. Just go back to the tab with the original article.

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