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THE ETH-BIBLIOTHEK...

→ is the largest public scientific and technical library in Switzerland

→ is the main library serving the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) Zurich

→ offers the most comprehensive range of information in the fields of natural science and technology

→ uses its state-of-the-art services to provide university staff and students and anyone with an interest in science or technology, as well as Swiss scientific institutions and research and development companies, with the information they need, quickly and in a targeted manner
THE HOLDINGS OF THE ETH-BIBLIOTHEK

The extensive information resources held by the ETH-Bibliothek range from traditional media such as printed books and journals to electronic data resources. The collections cover all the specialist fields of education and research at ETH Zurich:

→ Architecture and Civil Engineering
→ Engineering Sciences
→ Natural Sciences and Mathematics
→ System-oriented Natural Sciences
→ Management and Social Sciences

In addition, the ETH-Bibliothek also looks after valuable collections and archives, the contents of which are made accessible to a wider public through online platforms, publications and exhibitions.

The holdings comprise a total of approximately 7.8 million documents:
Books, e-books, textbooks, journals, e-journals, databases, dissertations, research reports, maps, geodata, rare books, images, graphics, archival holdings, audiovisual media, language courses, samples of material and much more.

You can carry out searches in the ETH-Bibliothek Knowledge Portal: www.library.ethz.ch/en
USING THE ETH-BIBLIOTHEK ON THE MOVE

The Knowledge Portal (library catalogue) can also be used when you are on the move: you can use your smartphone or tablet to search for and order documents at any time, wherever you are, or to manage your user account:

- check pending orders and reservations
- renew loans
- view reminders

The mobile website offers you access to selected e-resources (restricted to the ETH Zurich network), and you can also find contact information, opening hours, the latest news from the ETH-Bibliothek and much more besides.

THE ETH-BIBLIOTHEK ON SITE

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floor H
+41 44 632 21 35
info@library.ethz.ch
www.library.ethz.ch/en

**Opening hours**

**InfoCenter**
Mon – Fri 8.00 – 21.45
Sat + Sun 9.00 – 16.45

**Circulation Desk**
Mon – Fri 8.30 – 21.00
Sat 9.00 – 16.45

**Reading Room Collections and Archives**
Mon – Fri 10.00 – 17.00

Tram no 6, 9 or 10 to tram stop ETH/Universitätspital, from Central by Polybahn
SPECIAL LIBRARIES ON THE ZENTRUM CAMPUS

Three ETH-Bibliothek special libraries are located on the ETH Zurich Zentrum campus and are open to the general public. At all our libraries we will be happy to advise you and help you with your research. Contact us if you would like to join the library, extend the period of validity of your user account or pay fees. You can collect documents you have ordered at all libraries.

Our Special Libraries at ETH Zurich, Zentrum:
- Bibliothek Erdwissenschaften (1)
- GESS-Bibliothek (2)
  (Humanities, social and political sciences)
- Grüne Bibliothek (3)
  (Environment, agricultural and food sciences)

Our Special Library at ETH Zurich, Hönggerberg:
- Baubibliothek (4)

There is another circulation desk at the ETH-Bibliothek HDB (5) at Hönggerberg (library’s stack).

We provide you with study spaces, photocopiers, scanners and printers. At the public workstations, you can carry out searches, access databases and download full text electronic documents. Daily and weekly newspapers and journals are available for you to read at the InfoCenter in the main library.

More information:
- Our Special Libraries at ETH Zurich, Zentrum
- Our Special Library at ETH Zurich, Hönggerberg

More information:
The Baubibliothek is both a Special Library and a branch of the ETH-Bibliothek on the ETH Hönggerberg campus and open to the public.

At the Baubibliothek we will be happy to advise you and help you with your research. Contact us if you would like to join the library, extend the period of validity of your user account or pay fees. You can also collect documents you have ordered.
**Baubibliothek**

- **Opening hours**  Monday – Friday: 8 – 21
- **Subjects**  Architecture, urban and spatial planning, construction, environment and geomatics
- **Holdings**  Books, journals, maps, legal commentaries and construction standards, technical company and product documentation – freely accessible
- **Materials Collection**  The Materials Collection, which is open to the public, consists of physical samples of current, traditional and historic building materials. They are supplemented by a material-specific database containing detailed information about the background, technical properties, manufacture and processing of the materials.
- **Address**  Stefano-Francini-Platz 5, HIL E 2, 8093 Zurich
- **Contact**  +41 44 633 29 06, baubib@library.ethz.ch

**ETH-Bibliothek HDB**

There is another circulation desk at the library’s stack HDB.

- **Opening hours**  Monday – Friday: 9 – 17
- **Holdings**  Stacks containing holdings that are not freely accessible
- **Address**  Hönggerbergring 37, 8093 Zurich
- **Contact**  +41 44 633 24 10, hdb@library.ethz.ch
**SEARCHING**

The Knowledge Portal at www.library.ethz.ch/en is your central catalogue when searching and using the electronic resources of the ETH-Bibliothek. The holdings comprise books, e-books, textbooks, journals, e-journals, articles from journals, databases, dissertations, research reports, maps, geodata, rare books, images, graphics, archival holdings, audiovisual media, language courses and much more.

In the **Knowledge Portal**, you can use one search to retrieve information from various sources at the same time:

- **NEBIS library catalogue** (network of about 140 Swiss libraries)
- **E-Lending**: lendable e-books for non-members of ETH Zurich
- **Interdisciplinary Primo Central Index** with millions of articles, e-book chapters, conference proceedings and other scientific materials
- **ETH E-Collection**: Repository of ETH Zurich
- **ETH Data Archive** (research data)
- **ETH E-Pics** (images, illustrations from rare books)
- **Archivdatenbank Online**
- **retro.seals.ch**: digitized Swiss journals
- **ETH-Bibliothek website**

You can also use the Knowledge Portal when you are on the move!
ORDERING AND BORROWING RESOURCES

You can search and order documents via the Knowledge Portal (library catalogue) on www.library.ethz.ch/en and borrow most media from the ETH-Bibliothek. You can collect them from the circulation desk or when you place your order you can opt for delivery by circulation courier (within the NEBIS network) or by post.

→ Would you like to be informed by text message when the documents you have ordered are ready for collection? Then simply add your mobile phone number to your user account details.

→ In your user account you can extend the loan period online for documents you have borrowed.

→ If you can’t find what you are looking for in the catalogue, we can order literature that is not available in the Knowledge Portal for you by means of an interlibrary loan from other libraries in Switzerland or abroad.

→ Electronic document delivery: The ETH-Bibliothek sends copies of articles or book chapters from its holdings via e-mail.

→ E-book on demand: We can digitize works for you from the ETH-Bibliothek that were published before 1900.

→ We offer special services for alumni of ETH Zurich and companies.

Find out more about these and other services:
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

In the Knowledge Portal you can find information about all the services and holdings of the ETH-Bibliothek:
www.library.ethz.ch/en

Any questions? We can help you:
→ by e-mail: info@library.ethz.ch
→ by phone: +41 44 632 21 35
→ in person at the information desks in our libraries

Our subject specialists will help you with specific queries. You can find their contact details on our website.

The ETH-Bibliothek provides regularly updated information about new services and events on its website.

You can also keep up to date with us on Facebook, Twitter and Google+.

TRAINING COURSES

Would you like to be able to search more efficiently? Or would you like to find out how a particular database could be useful to you and what functions it offers? Would a literature management programme be beneficial to you? The ETH-Bibliothek can teach you information skills and share strategies and tips with you.

Overview of training courses and dates:
COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES AT THE ETH-BIBLIOTHEK

What discoveries have been made in chemistry, geology or astronomy? How has Switzerland been changed by its engineers? And for how long has ETH Zurich been examining questions of climate and energy?

Whether you are interested in Copernicus or Rembrandt, Albert Einstein or Arnold Escher von der Linth, Max Frisch or Thomas Mann – the ETH-Bibliothek possesses all manner of fascinating and original items. They may be in the form of rare books, archival holdings, images, graphics, maps, building materials or collection items relating to earth sciences.

On our freely accessible online platforms, you will find a growing number of old documents that have been digitized for a modern readership.

You are also welcome to come and visit our physical collections and archives. Find out about the sites and opening hours on our website www.library.ethz.ch/en.

EVENING TOURS

We run themed tours during which we present a selection of documents to a public audience. You will be amazed at the diversity on offer!
SCIENCE FOR ALL

The **ETH E-Collection** is an online platform that is available to the public and contains academic works by members of ETH Zurich (primarily dissertations and reports). You can find the latest research findings on the university’s repository, be they in biochemistry, condensed matter physics, statics or a wide range of other subject areas. Thanks to Open Access, the full-text versions of these publications are freely available to you.

[www.e-collection.ethz.ch](http://www.e-collection.ethz.ch)

DIGITAL BROWSING

Do you want to search the *Bauzeitung* or the magazine *Du* online and download full-text PDF versions of articles? Or admire etchings by Albrecht Dürer on your computer, leaf through the works of Konrad Gessner or look at old Swissair images?

The ETH-Bibliothek’s online platforms offer access to a growing number of digitized documents. These include rare books and scientific journals from all kinds of specialist subject areas. You can find everything from information about the history of ETH Zurich to archive material and images from the personal papers of well-known scientists.

Finally, our digital collections also feature resources arranged by theme, including selected highlights from our holdings.

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PUBLISHING IN ELECTRONIC FORM AND PRESERVING DATA

Do you want to publish your scientific paper in an open access journal or make your PhD thesis accessible online? Do you have research data or images you need to manage, render persistently identifiable and preserve over a long period of time? ETH-Bibliothek offers publication and curation services especially geared towards members of ETH Zurich.

[www.library.ethz.ch/DOI-desk-en](http://www.library.ethz.ch/DOI-desk-en)

**ETH Zurich DOI Desk**

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[www.library.ethz.ch/DOI-desk-en](http://www.library.ethz.ch/DOI-desk-en)

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ETH E-Citations
ETH Zurich’s institutional bibliography is a comprehensive catalogue of scientific publications produced at ETH Zurich.
www.e-citations.ethz.ch

Open Access
ETH-Bibliothek is your contact for open-access publishing at ETH Zurich. It organises information events and offers advice for scientists.
www.open-access.ethz.ch/index_EN

Digital Curation
The Digital Curation Office is your point of contact for technical and conceptual issues concerning long-term electronic archiving and offers researchers help and support in managing and publishing their data.
www.library.ethz.ch/Digital-Curation

ETH E-Pics
The ETH E-Pics image management system is freely available to ETH Zurich institutions for the management, publication and archiving of their image documents.
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