

SISSA Library Guide

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Main interest areas covered are Astrophysics, Cognitive Neurosciences, Condensed Matter, Elementary Particles, Functional Analysis and Applications, Mathematical Physics, Neurobiology, Statistical and Biological Physics, Science Communication.

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- the Oxford University Press ebooks collections in: Neuroscience, Mathematics, Physics (2010-2013).



DATABASES

- MathSciNet
- Scopus
- Journal Citation Reports (ISI Web of Science)
- Science Citation Index (ISI Web of Science)
- the EBSCO Academic Search Research and Development

LIBRARY WEBPAGE

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Web site: http://www.sissa.it/about/facilities/library

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