Your Direct Connection

With the help of the **MPG CitationLinker** you can go directly to relevant **MPG-SFX Services** without having to perform a database search. This is a particularly convenient way to check if any relevant resources (such as the electronic full text) are available in respect to a specific item, for which you already have at least some bibliographic information.

Links to the **MPG CitationLinker** are available from the Max Planck Virtual Library (VLib), but you may find it useful to set your own bookmark.

http://sfx.mpg.de/citation/sfx_local

Enter as much information as you can about the specific article, journal or book you are interested in. The more details you can provide, the more options for services can be offered to you. After completing the form, click the **MPG-SFX** button.

Further Information

Please note that for several of the MPG-SFX Services presented to you, access to the targeted information resource is restricted to authorized Max Planck locations (authorized IP range). Answers to some of the most frequently asked questions are available in the **MPG-SFX FAQ:**

MPG-SFX Services and the MPG CitationLinker were both developed in connection with the **Max Planck Virtual Library**, a collaborative effort of various groups within the Max Planck Society involved in library and information services. See http://vlib.mpg.de.

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Introduction to SFX

SFX is a context sensitive linking product licensed by the Max Planck Society (MPG) as an innovative tool for the "intelligent" integration of the various reference databases, library catalogs, full text collections and other scientific information resources available to staff and guests of the MPG.

SFX allows users to start with an item of interest found in one information resource ("Source"), to view a menu of relevant options ("Services") available for that specific item and, finally, to directly access the new information resource offering the desired service ("Target") at the most appropriate level possible.

MPG-SFX Services may currently include any of the following options (depending on where you have started):

- Direct access to the full text of an article (whenever possible)
- Check the Electronic Journals Library – (EZB) for online availability
- Check the MPG Journal Index for possible availability in a local library catalog
- Search the author’s name in the ISI Web of Science (Citation Indexes)
- View neighboring articles in the table of contents of the respective journal issue
- View information about the journal or book in which an item has been published
- Search for relevant web sites, using various Internet Search Engines

Further options will be added continuously!

Enhance your Search Results

First Step:
You have found an item of interest in a database via the Max Planck Virtual Library, and have located the button (short or full view of a record). *

Second Step:
After clicking the MPG-SFX button, a new browser window has opened, presenting you a menu of MPG-SFX Services available for our specific reference.

Third Step:
After clicking the desired service, yet another browser window has opened, allowing you to navigate the new resource at the appropriate level.

* Please note that links to the MPG-SFX Services are also displayed under other search interfaces available in the MPG (e.g. ISI Web of Knowledge, Ovid, CSA).