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<https://royalsociety.org/journals/>

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<https://doaj.org/>

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[OCLC - SHARES](#)

<https://www.oclc.org/research/activities/shares.html>

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[WorldCat.org - Open Content](#)

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<https://www.ssrn.com/>

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[Article Galaxy](#)

<https://www.researchsolutions.com/products/enterprise>

Articles available for a reduced rate.

[PubMed User Guide: Finding Full Text](#)

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/help/#finding-full-text>

Tips on accessing full text articles from NLM's PubMed User Guide.