Differences between Google Scholar, WorldCat Discovery and Scopus

	Google Scholar	WorldCat Discovery - TU Delft	Discovery Worldwide/The Netherlands	Scopus
Description	Multidisciplinary information resource. You can, in a simple way, search for: articles, theses, books, and other scientific documents available online.	TU Delft search engine. With WorldCat Discovery you search the library's printed collection and its everincreasing online collection.	Search TU Delft and beyond	Multidisciplinary information resource. With Scopus you search for articles from more than 21,000 journal titles and conference proceedings.
Search options	Limited	Limited	Limited	Extensive
Refine search results	Refine by period (in left-hand column)	Through options in the left-hand column, such as topic, author, publication year, and format.	Through options in the left-hand column, such as topic, author, publication year, and format.	Through options in the left-hand column, such as publication year, author, subject area, document type, keyword, and country
Sort options	By relevance or publication year	By relevance or publication year	By relevance or publication year	By publication date, author, source title, number of citations or relevance
Full-text availability*	Search results full-text available if: - Published in a journal for which the Library has a subscription or - Freely available online (open access)	All search results full-text available (unless temporarily out on loan)	Search results full-text available if: - Published in a journal for which the Library has a subscription or - Published in an open access journal	Search results full-text available if: - Published in a journal for which the Library has a subscription or - Published in an open access journal
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Selection of	By computer (secret algorithm)	Manually by subject specialist	Manually by subject specialist	Manually by subject specialist
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