

How to use the Conservation Agriculture (CA) Research Network's Zotero-based Library

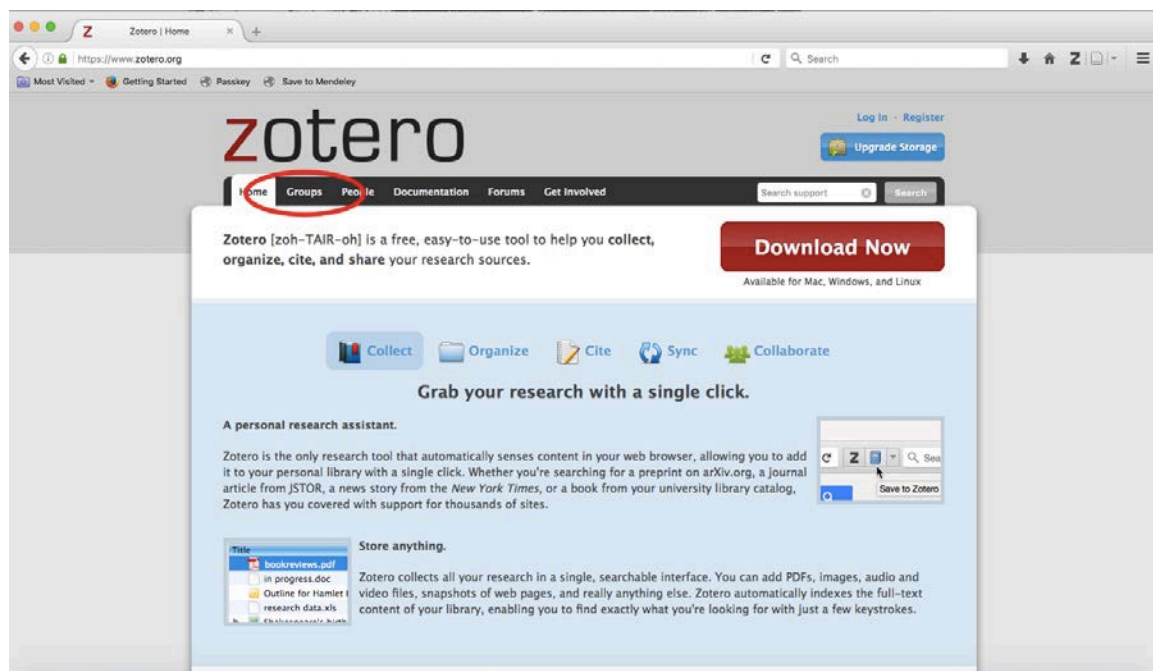
Welcome to the CA Research Network's database for information on Conservation Agriculture (CA). The instructions below will help you to navigate our open-source database of research items, which includes journal articles, book chapters, reports, conference papers, and other research material.

Anyone can use the CA library free of charge! You can search the library and access the article abstracts and metadata. **HOWEVER**, if you would like to have access to the *full text/PDF*, you will need to join Zotero and become a member of the **CA Research Network** ([CLICK HERE](#) for instructions to join and access full text articles). The Cornell Conservation Agriculture library is found at:

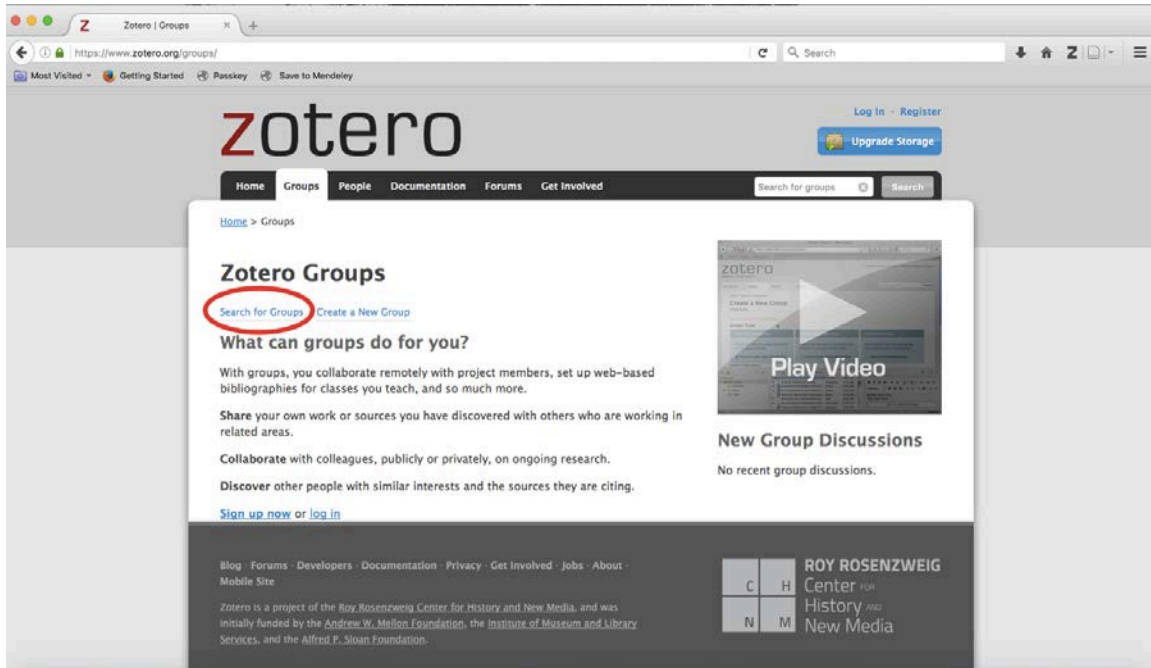
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Here's how to use the library database:

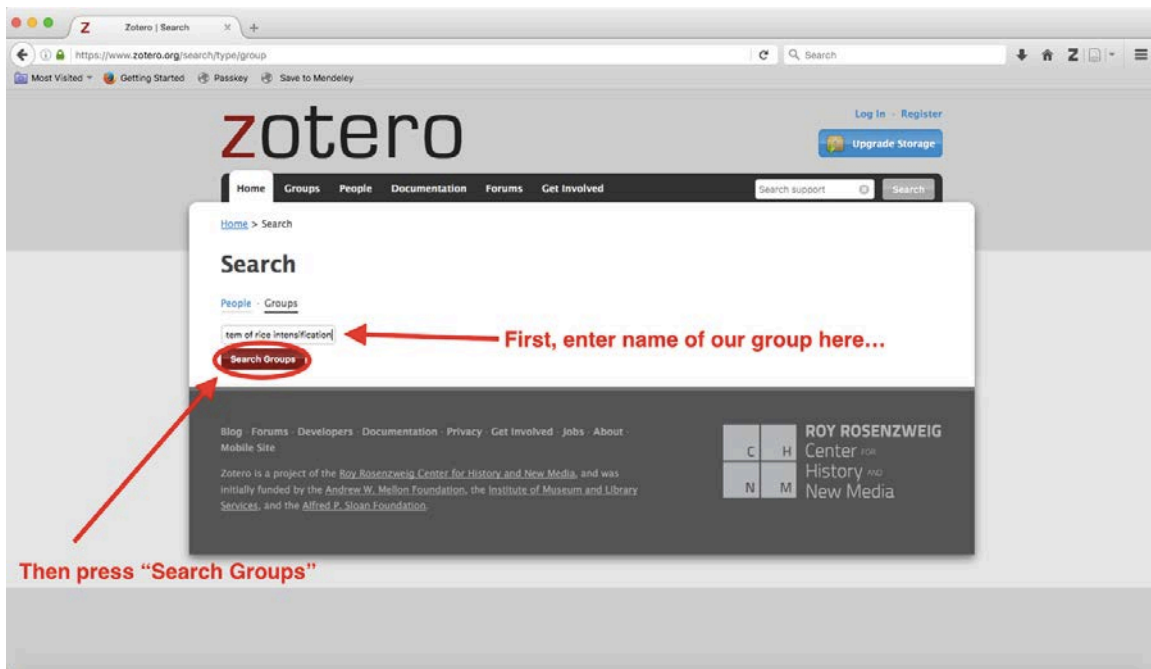
1. Go to [zotero.org](https://www.zotero.org). Click on the **Groups** tab on the top menu bar. Please keep in mind **that it is not necessary to download Zotero or make an account to search our database**, though you may wish to do so for your own research agenda and to have access to PDFs.



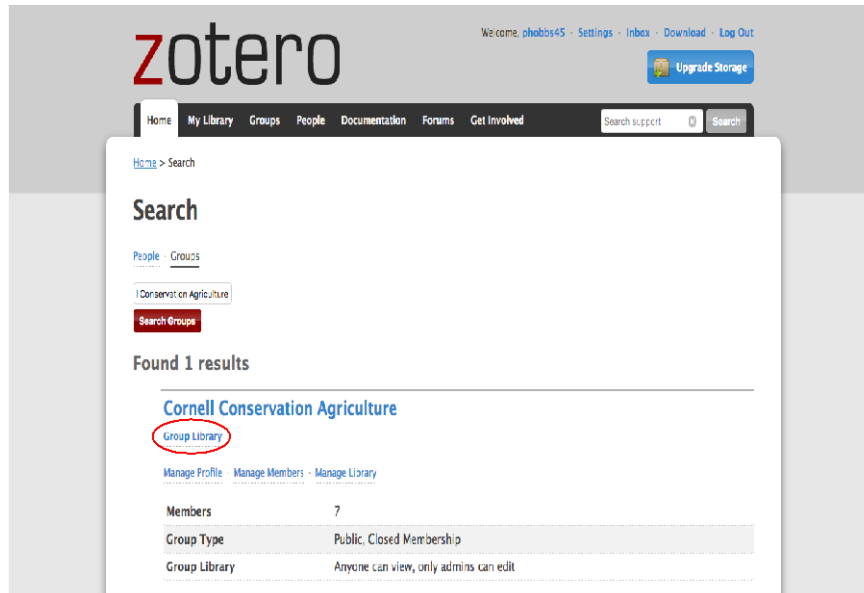
2. Click on [Search for Groups](#) link.



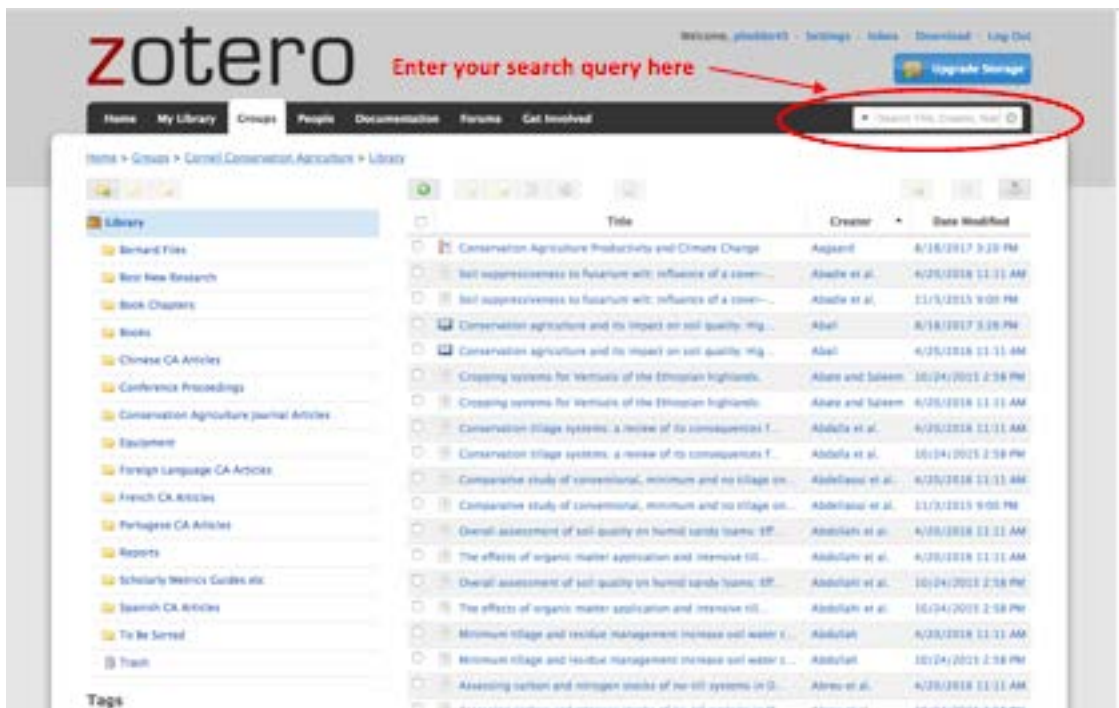
3. Search for **Cornell Conservation Agriculture** in the search box, then click the red **Search Groups** link.



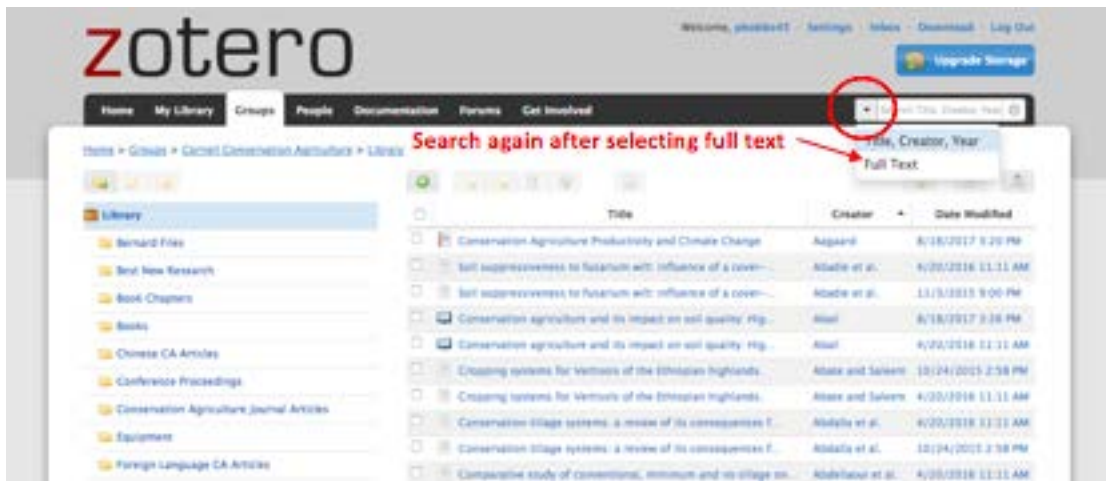
4. Click on the [Group Library](#) link below the group name. This will bring you to the Cornell Conservation Agriculture Research Network library.



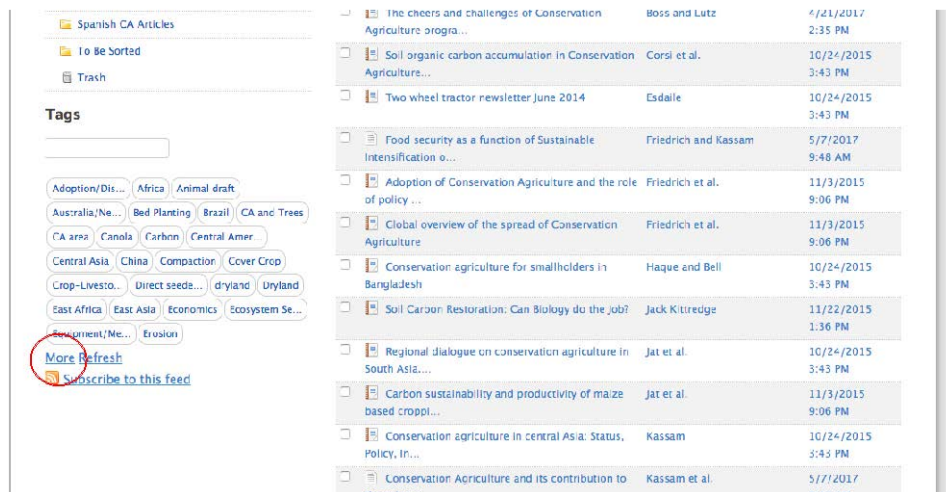
5. To search by **author, title, or year**: enter your query into the search feature found at the right of the top menu bar.



You can also search for keywords in the full text of the article. Simply select this option by pressing on the arrow to the left of the search box.



6. To sort items by topic or theme: scroll down to the bottom left hand side under the **Tags** section and click on the link below the tags called **More**.



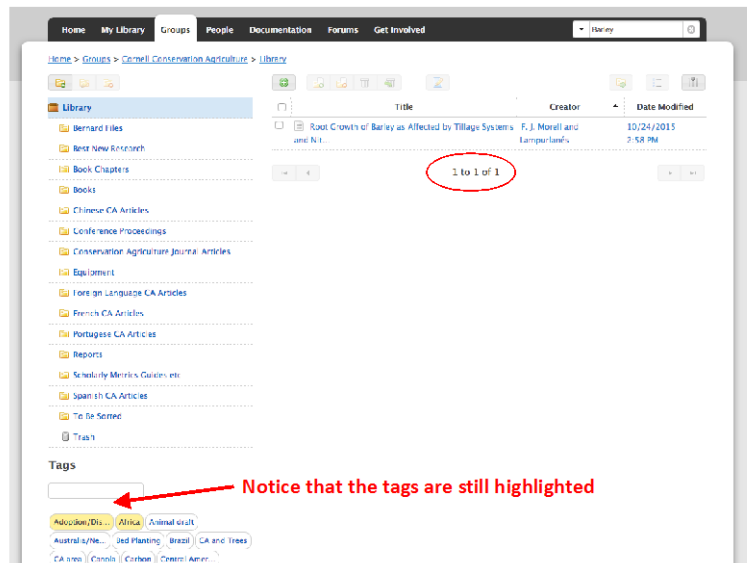
As an example, click on the **Adoption/Disadoption** tag. Highlighting this tag will pull up approximately 37 articles out of 2589 that discuss **adoption/Disadoption** of CA in a substantive manner.

The screenshot shows a search interface with a list of tags on the left and a list of search results on the right. The 'Adoption/Disadoption' tag is highlighted in yellow, and the 'Africa' tag is highlighted in red. The search results list includes articles such as 'An empirical analysis of climate change perceptions and cons...', 'Social and income trade-offs of conservation', 'The influence of conservation agriculture adoption on input...', 'Dynamics of aggregate destabilization by water in soils unde...', 'Short-to mid-term impact of conservation agriculture on yiel...', 'Conservation agriculture - A Portuguese case study', 'A new method of measuring the adoption of soil conservation ...', 'Understanding the impact and adoption of conservation agricu...', 'Innovating conservation agriculture: The case of no-till cro...', 'SUSTAINABLE CROP PRODUCTION INTENSIFICATION - THE ADOPTION O...', 'Global Overview of Conservation Agriculture Adoption', 'Current Status of Adoption of no-till farming in the world a...', 'Specification eFfects in zero tillage survey data in South A...', and 'A Survey of Factors associated with the Adoption of Zero Till...'. The results are dated 10/24/2015.

You can further refine your results by then clicking on **Africa**. And any of the other tags

The screenshot shows the search interface with the 'Africa' tag highlighted in red. The search results list includes articles such as 'Which advisory system to support innovation in conservation ..', 'The adoption problem; or why we still understand so little a...', and 'An assessment of the processes and pathways to achieve innov...'. The results are dated 10/24/2015. The interface also shows 'Spanish CA Articles' and 'To Be Sorted' sections.

7. Results can be refined by both keyword and tag: Typing **Barley** in the search bar *in combination* with the two previous tags yields one article. The two tags are still highlighted.



When combining **tags** with **keywords**, be sure to always search *again* with the **keywords** after selecting your tags. Just highlighting the tags resets the search according to the tag results.

8. Clicking on the article will reveal its basic information: title, abstract, authors, citation information, and tags.

Note: Non-members cannot access pdf files
So join the group

[To join the CA Research Network, sign up with Zotero, search for the Cornell CA Group and push the **red button** under the group description OR contact ph14@cornell.edu]