

## Troubleshooting access to databases : Managing your Browsing Data, Cookies and Pop ups

If you experience problems accessing any electronic library resources like ebooks or articles in databases there are few things you can check **if you are on an Ara campus** using your own personal device:

- a. Are you **logged in to Ara wifi** and not Ara Guest?
- b. Have you cleared your browsing data? (Use the **Ctrl Shift Delete** keys as a short cut on a **PC** or **Command Shift Delete** keys on a **Mac**).
- c. Most Ara databases require you to pick an account. If so, choose your **Ara student / staff email address**. If you are off campus you may be prompted to use your Ara network password and your **multifactor authentication (MFA)**. If you haven't set up your **MFA** yet, see the relevant guide at <https://subjectguides.ara.ac.nz/getsetupforstudy/howdoi>

Follow the steps in the next sections to try a different web browser or manage exceptions for cookies and pop-ups.

### Check your computer

If the Library reports that there are no technical issues you can try the following on your own computer:

#### Try accessing from a New InPrivate Window or New Incognito Window.

In your **Edge** web browser click the three dots in the top right corner and choose **New InPrivate Window** or in **Chrome** click the three dots in the top right corner and click **New Incognito Window**. Then try to access your database from there.

#### Use a different web browser and try to access your electronic resource

This could be:

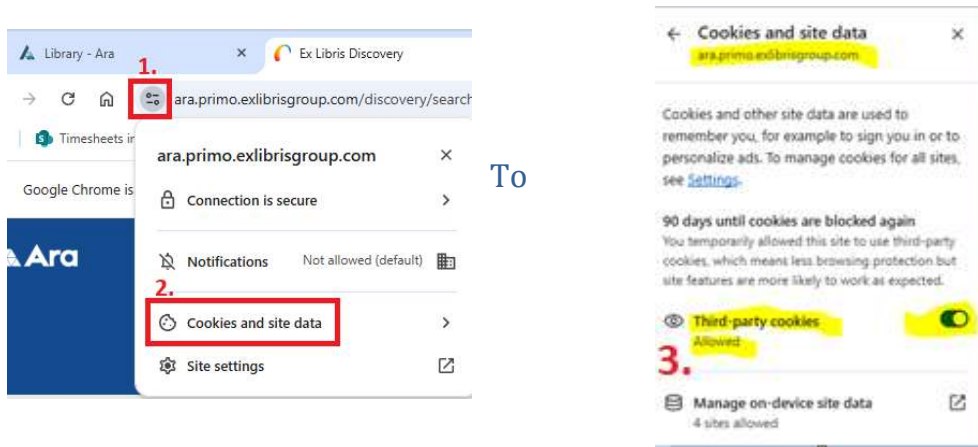
- Google Chrome
- Mozilla Firefox
- Internet Explorer
- Safari (if you have a Mac computer)

## Manage your exceptions for cookies and pop ups

### To Manage Cookies

For the webpage that is blocked in **Google Chrome**.

1. Click the security icon next to the URL. Note in some browsers this will look like a padlock or shield.
2. Click on **Cookies and site data**
3. Unblock third party cookies for this site.



### Manage Pop-ups

1. Go to **chrome://settings/privacy**.
2. Click on **Site Settings**
3. Click on **Pop-ups and redirects**
4. At **Allowed to send pop-ups and use redirects** if Ara is not listed click **Add**
5. Add **[\*.]ara.ac.nz** and click **Add**  
**e.g.**



### For further assistance

- Ask at the Library, Christchurch, Madras St. Campus
- Live chat with a Librarian during open hours via [Asklive](#)
- Ring (03) 9408089 or 0800 24 24 76 and ask for the Library
- Email : [library@ara.ac.nz](mailto:library@ara.ac.nz)