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Nature Communications publishes first articles

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Nature Communications launches today with the publication of its first articles. A new online-only journal from Nature Publishing Group (NPG), *Nature Communications* is available at: **www.nature.com/naturecommunications**.

Eleven papers are published today in *Nature Communications*, with more scheduled for publication in the coming weeks. Published research comes from fields across the natural sciences including evolutionary biology, materials science, nanotechnology, genetics, and cancer research.

The first articles showcase *Nature Communications*' functionality including a figure preview in article abstracts and an archive browsable by subject, date or article type.

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