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[China's materials research catches attention](#)

Materials, food & nutrition, ecology, and traditional Chinese medicine are the most read scientific articles coming out of Mainland China and Hong Kong according to the new top 10 lists of research featured on Nature China.

Nature China, a website launched in 2007 by the publisher of Nature, is dedicated to highlighting the best scientific research coming out of mainland China and Hong Kong. Editor Felix Cheung used Nature China's web statistics to rank the site's research highlights according to their popularity, taking into account the time at which the highlights was published.

The hottest subject category of the lot is materials science, with articles charting three times in 2007 (ranked 1st, 9th and 10th) and in 2008 (ranked 2nd, 5th and 10th). "The lists reflect the fact that China is particularly strong in materials research and the country is producing results that catch the world's attention," explained Cheung.

Food & nutrition is the second most popular subject area appearing 2nd, 7th and 8th in 2007 and topping the list of most read research in 2008.

Ecology and Traditional Chinese Medicine research also featured prominently with the former appearing 3rd in 2007 and 3rd and 6th in 2008, and the latter 4th in both 2007 and 2008.

The public can freely access the top ten lists of 2007 and 2008 via the Nature China website [here](#).

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