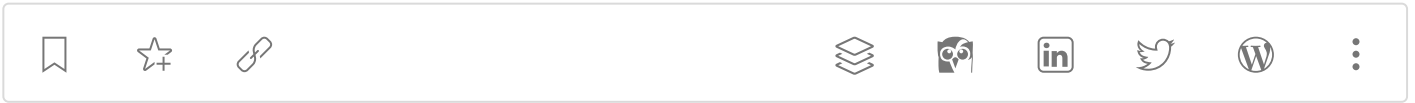
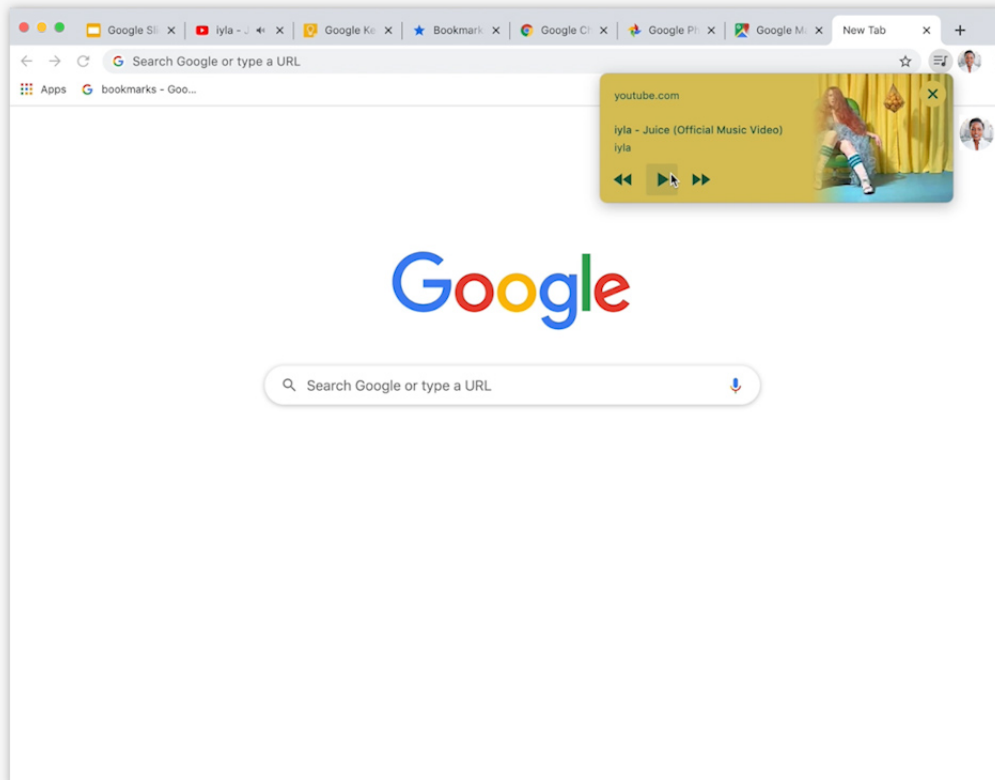


Control media playback easily in Chrome

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We've all been there: You have lots of tabs open and one of them starts playing a video, but you can't figure out which one. Or you're listening to music in your browser in the background and want to change the song without stopping your work to find the right tab. With the latest Chrome update (M79 release), Chrome makes controlling audio and video in your browser easier--just click the icon in the top right corner of your browser, open the new media hub and manage what's playing from there.



The new media hub in Chrome

Designed to minimize any disruptions to whatever you need to get done in your browser, the new media hub helps you to be more productive by bringing all your media notifications to one place and letting you manage each audio and video playback, without ever having to navigate any tabs. We [brought media controls to Chromebooks in August](#) and now we're rolling out the media hub in Chrome for Windows, Mac and Linux.

These new controls are the latest in a series of features aiming to enhance your media experience in Chrome. From support for media hardware keys for easy access to your media, to the Picture-in-Picture [extension](#) and [API](#) to help you with multitasking in your browser, over the last year we've worked to make the media experience on the web delightful. We will continue to explore this area—and the new media hub surface—further in 2020, and look forward to bringing more functionalities to Chrome users.

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