Fundamentals of Open Access

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This session will be recorded

Slides and handouts will be distributed after the session
By the end of this session you should:

1. Have an understanding of Open Access, where it comes from and what it means to you
2. Understand how open access publishing works
3. Know a few tools you can use to help you find/publish open access
4. Understand some jargon terms and where to go if you find a new one
Problems with Jargon

http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/glossary
The open landscape

PrePrint
Aka: “Research before publication”

Data

Monograph
Aka “Long form publication”

Open Educational Resources (OER)
Aka “Open textbooks”

“Short form publication”
Aka: Articles, conference proceedings
Open access was suggested as a way to disrupt this pattern.
Open Access – What is it?

Open access means permanent, free access to research outputs for everyone. All types of outputs, including journal articles, monographs, textbooks, research data, software, code, reports, and recordings of performances and exhibitions, can be made available open access.*

Reader Pays Nothing

Results Available (Online) For Posterity

Licenced To Allow Reuse

http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/understanding-oa

*Text taken from: DOI: 10.23636/g6fm-dx07
Benefits of open access

- More exposure for your work
- Practitioners can apply your findings
- Researchers in developing countries can access your research
- The public can access your findings
- Your research can influence policy
- Taxpayers don’t pay twice for research
- Compliant with grant rules
- Higher citation rates

Contents of this slide reworked from: https://oaaustralasia.org/2021/03/23/benefits-of-open-access
Open Access – Video overview

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=676JM1M_gFg
Open Access publication

Method One
Via the Publisher

The publisher makes your research open access on their website.

They add a specific licence to your work to ensure it can be shared.

You can ALSO deposit the publishers version!

Method Two
Via the Author

You publish the paper elsewhere BUT make your research open access by depositing your manuscript into a repository under a licence.

Readers can search for this item online to find your research free-to-read.

Repository:
A digital location which archives your research for posterity with metadata and preservation standards

Examples include: EPMC, Oxford University Research Archive.

NOTE: Social media sites like academia.edu and ResearchGate are not repositories!
Publish OA via publisher – Jargon!

- **Gold**
  - An open access journal

- **Platinum/Diamond**
  - An open access journal (no fee)

- **Hybrid**
  - A traditional subscription journal with a fee to publish one article OA

- **VoR**
  - ‘Version of Record’
  - The version of your research after publisher copyedit.

- **Paywall**
  - Payment barrier between your research and the reader. Usually a subscription charge.
Paying APCs – Funds and grants

APC = Article processing charge
A payment made to the publisher to offset costs lost by publishing open access rather than with a subscription

Average: £2-3,000

NOTE: Diamond/Platinum routes have NO APC

CRUK, Wellcome, UKRI or BHF Funded? Apply to Oxford’s APC team

Funds elsewhere? Negotiate via their set routes

https://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/oxford-apc-application
Paying APCs – Publisher agreements

Also called Transformative agreements or Read & Publish deals

Has a publisher contacted you offering to publish open access without a charge to you?

Congratulations you’ve discovered one of our publisher agreements!

✓ Oxford corresponding author(s)
✓ Use Oxford University email (ox.ac.uk) on submission
✓ Choose the CC BY licence

Visit our website for a comprehensive list and to learn the requirements/journals involved: http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/publisher-deals
OA via author deposit - 'Green'

Deposit into a repository

AAM = 'Accepted manuscript.' The unformatted post-peer review version of your research.

'Institutional Repository'

ORA

OXFORD UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ARCHIVE
Green OA - Embargoes

Publisher applies an ‘Embargo’ preventing the reading of an OA manuscript in a repository until a specified time period.

- The publisher sometimes does not place an embargo!
- The ORA team will apply embargoes on deposited items
- Once an embargo is over the research is available for posterity

http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/embargo
Tools and resources

Sherpa Romeo
Sherpa Juliet

https://www.jisc.ac.uk/sherpa

https://journalcheckertool.org

Online resources

Resource pages:
http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/oa-learn-more
https://openaccessbutton.org/versions-explained
https://openaccessbutton.org/direct2aam

Templates
http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/templates

Funder Requirements
http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/funders-overview

Publishing
https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/publishing/open-access
https://shareyourpaper.org
https://thinkchecksubmit.org
https://ojm.ocert.at
Finding Open Access Material

Online resources

Finding OA:
http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/finding-oa

Locating creative commons media
http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/creative_commons
Demonstration

Diamond/Platinum journal – No APC
*Body, Space and Technology*
Electronic: 1470-9120

Gold journal - £3,000 APC
*eLife*
Electronic: 2050-084X

Hybrid journal with green route? No embargo
*Science*
Print: 0036-8075
Electronic: 1095-9203

Hybrid journal with green route? 12m embargo
*Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*
Print: 0003-9101
Electronic: 1613-0650

https://www.jisc.ac.uk/sherpa

Sherpa Romeo
Discerning the routes on Sherpa

Remember: Both these journal types can be found by searching DOAJ!

https://www.jisc.ac.uk/sherpa
‘Open Compliance’ – It’s complicated!

- Acknowledge funder
- Declare data
- Rights retention?
- Manuscript deposit? (EPMC/ORA)
- Green embargo limit?
- No payment for Hybrid?
- Licence requirement (CC BY)?

Visit our website to learn your requirements: http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/funders-overview

UKRI, Wellcome, BHF, NIHR and the ERC have policy briefing recordings on their pages
Keeping up to date

Head over to:
https://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/keeping-up-to-date
and sign up to a mailing list in your subject area.

Join the 'general' list to receive everything but don’t join more than one list or you’ll get duplicates!
5 things to do at Oxford

1. Sign up to a OA mailing list to keep up to date
2. Get and Elements account and start uploading work to ORA
3. Check your funder requirements (watch policy briefings)
4. Register/Link your ORCID
5. When you publish – check Sherpa! – can you make it open?
Any questions?

This is a beginners course – There’s no such thing as a stupid question!

- Open Access Oxford site: http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk
- Open access team: openaccess@bodleian.ox.ac.uk
- Open access contacts: http://openaccess.ox.ac.uk/contact-us/oa-contacts-list-11-2021
- Symplectic Elements: symplectic@admin.ox.ac.uk
- Oxford Research Archive: ora@bodleian.ox.ac.uk
- APC Team: apc@bodleian.ox.ac.uk

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