

Research visibility and impact with open access institutional repositories

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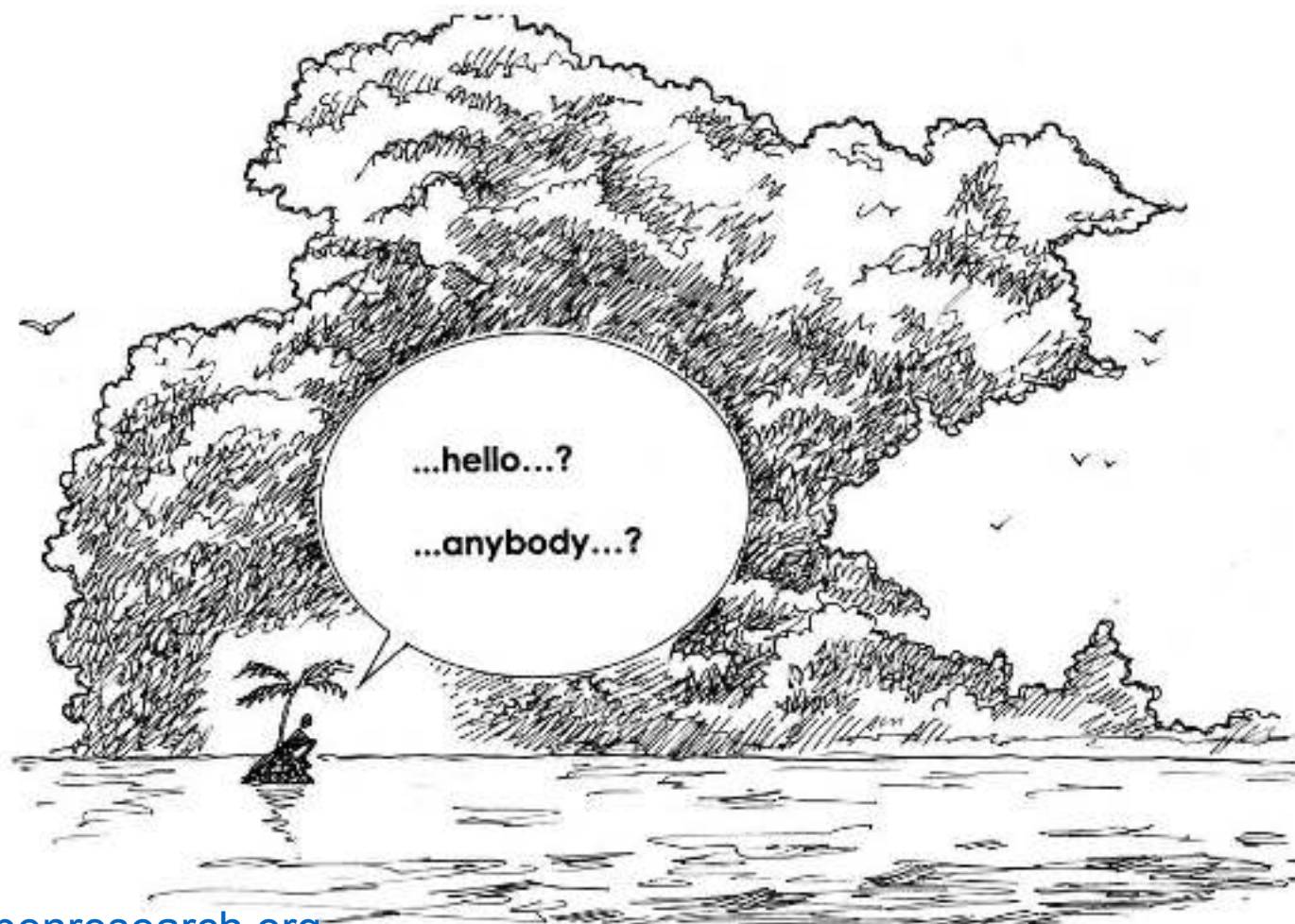
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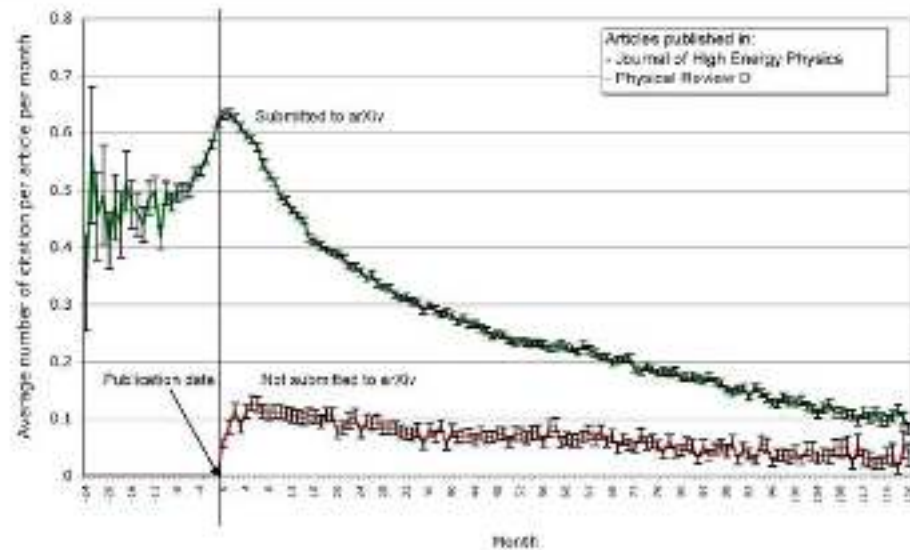
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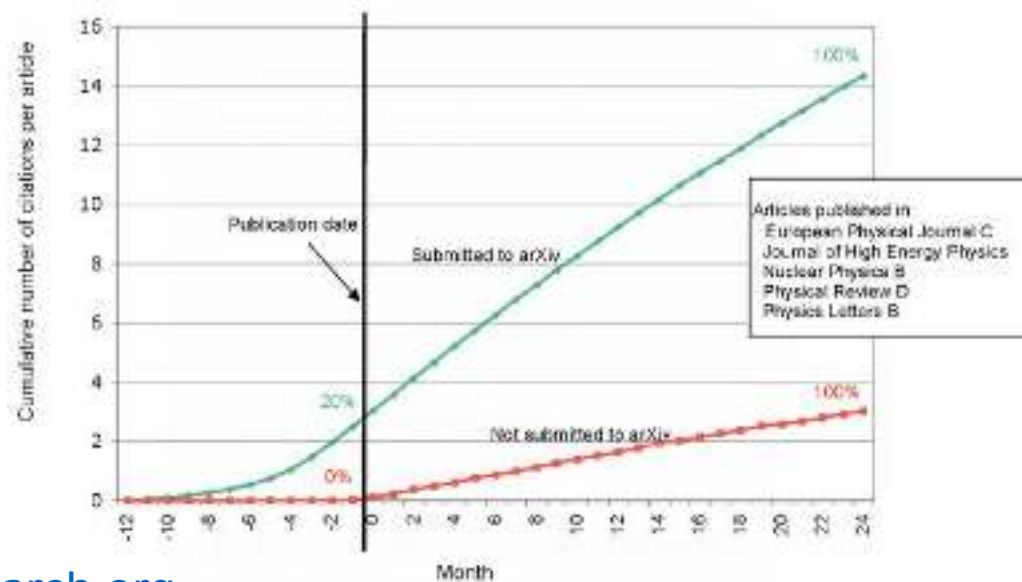


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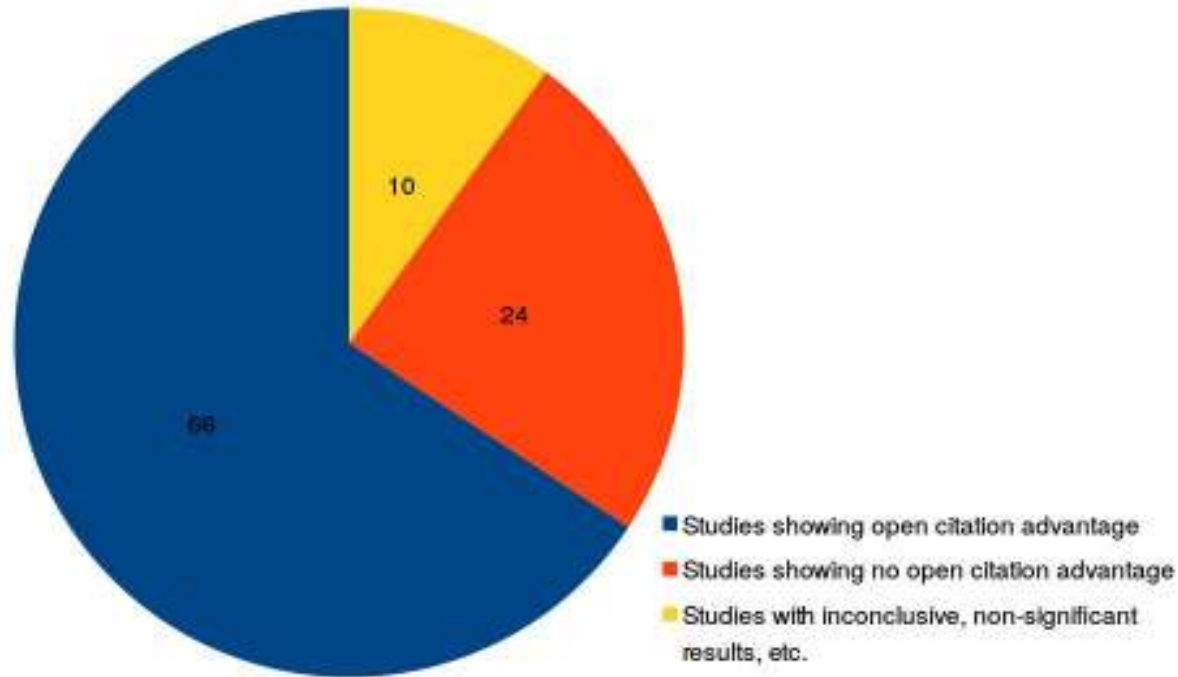
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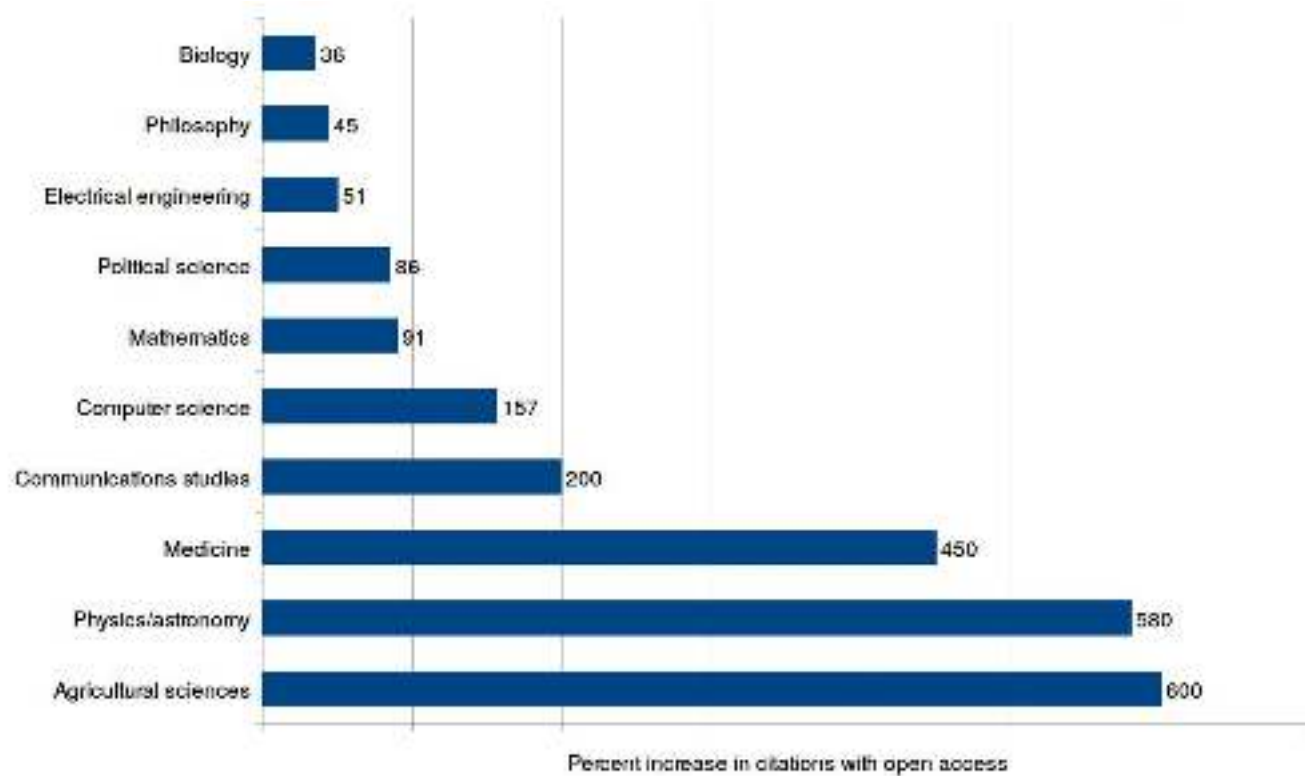
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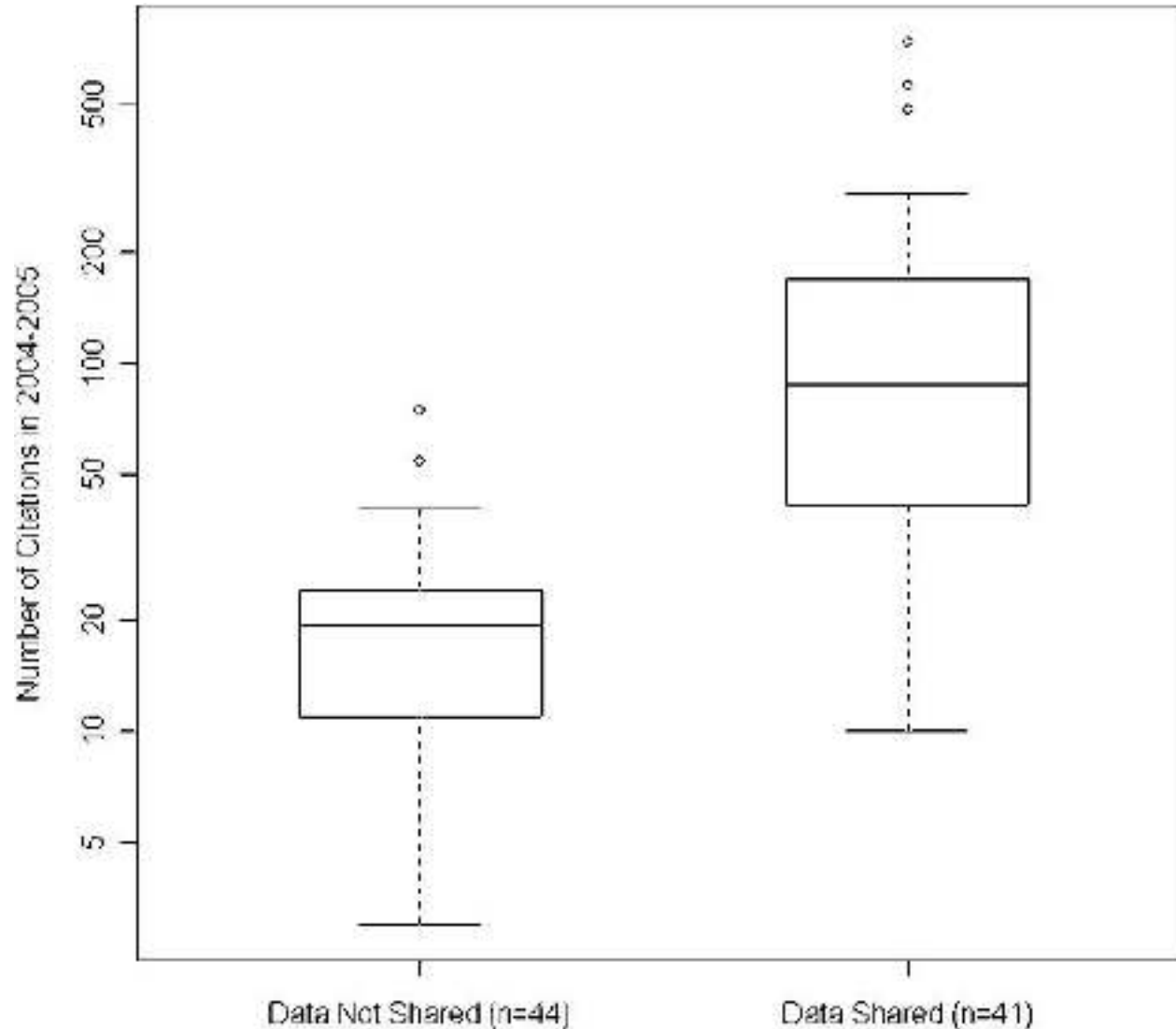
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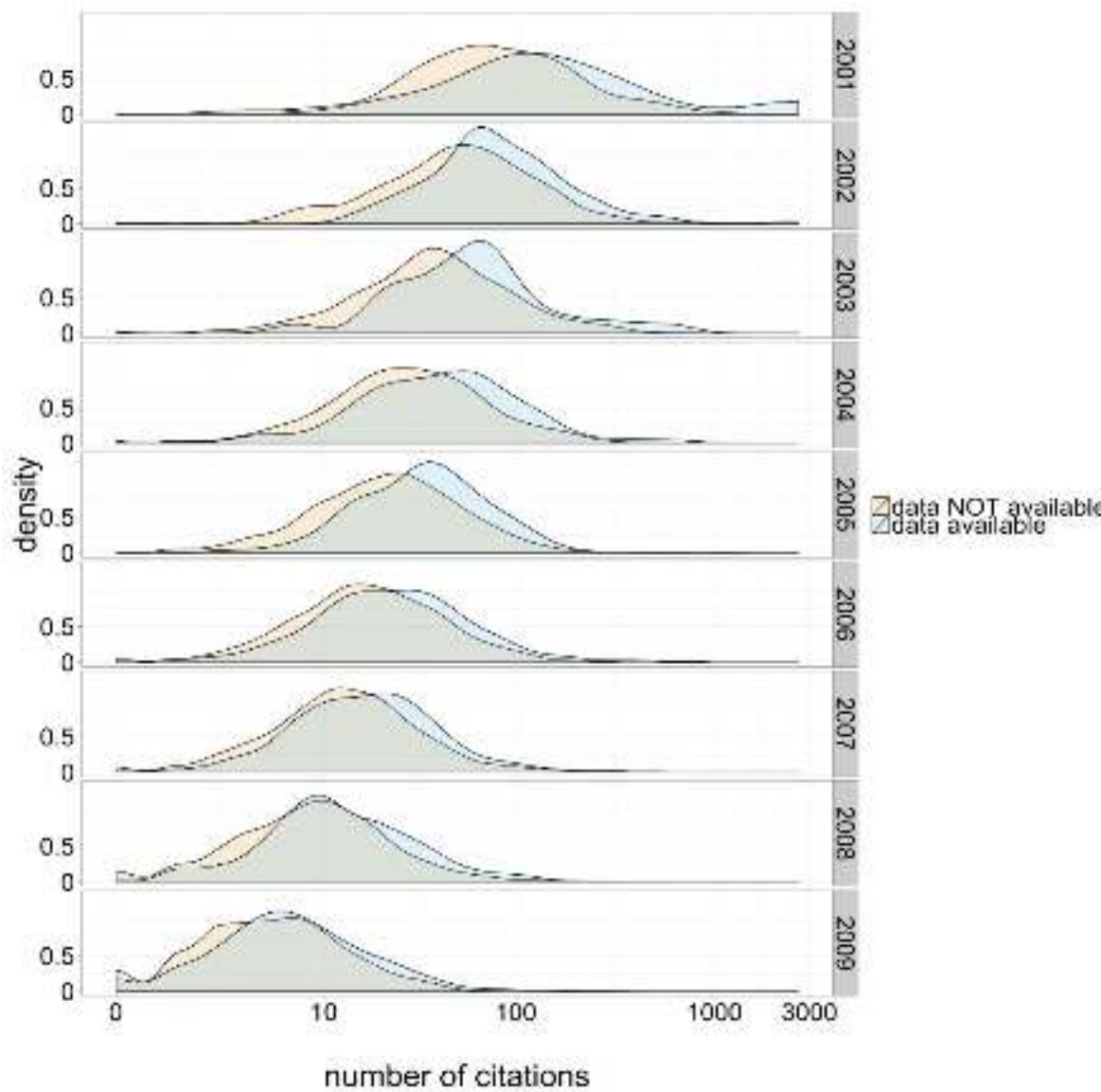
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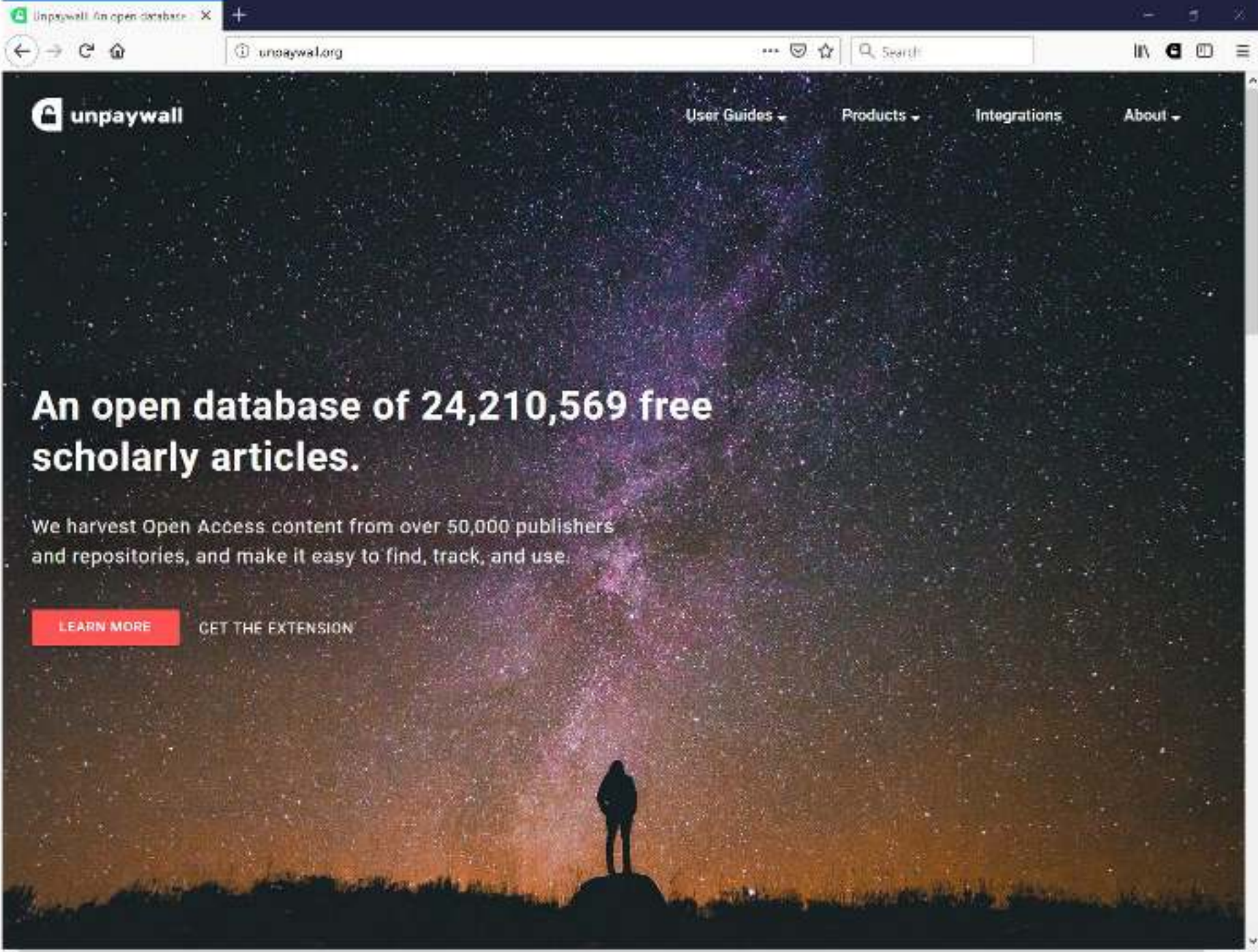
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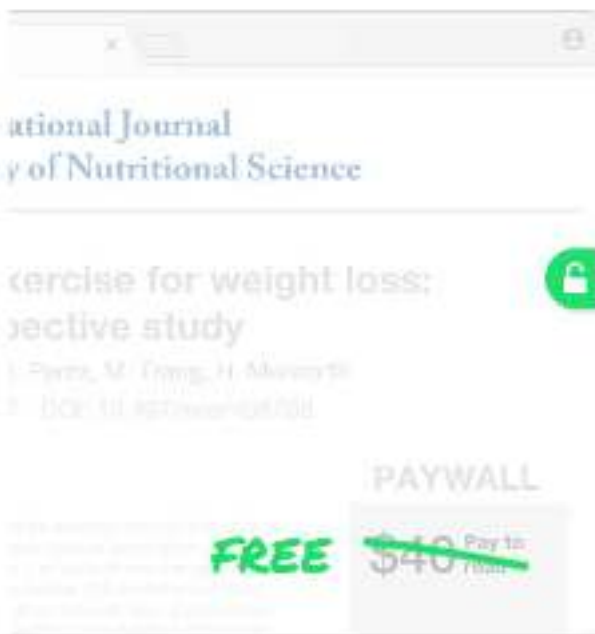
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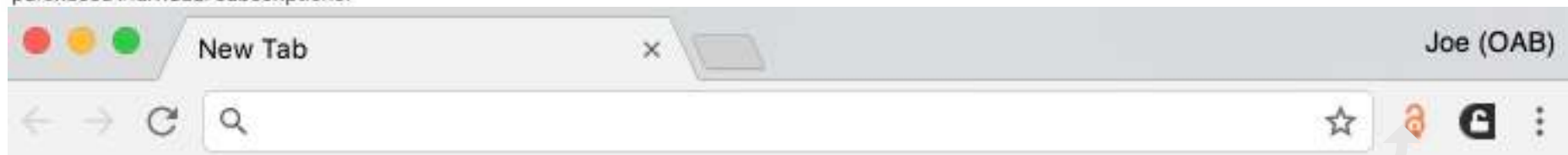
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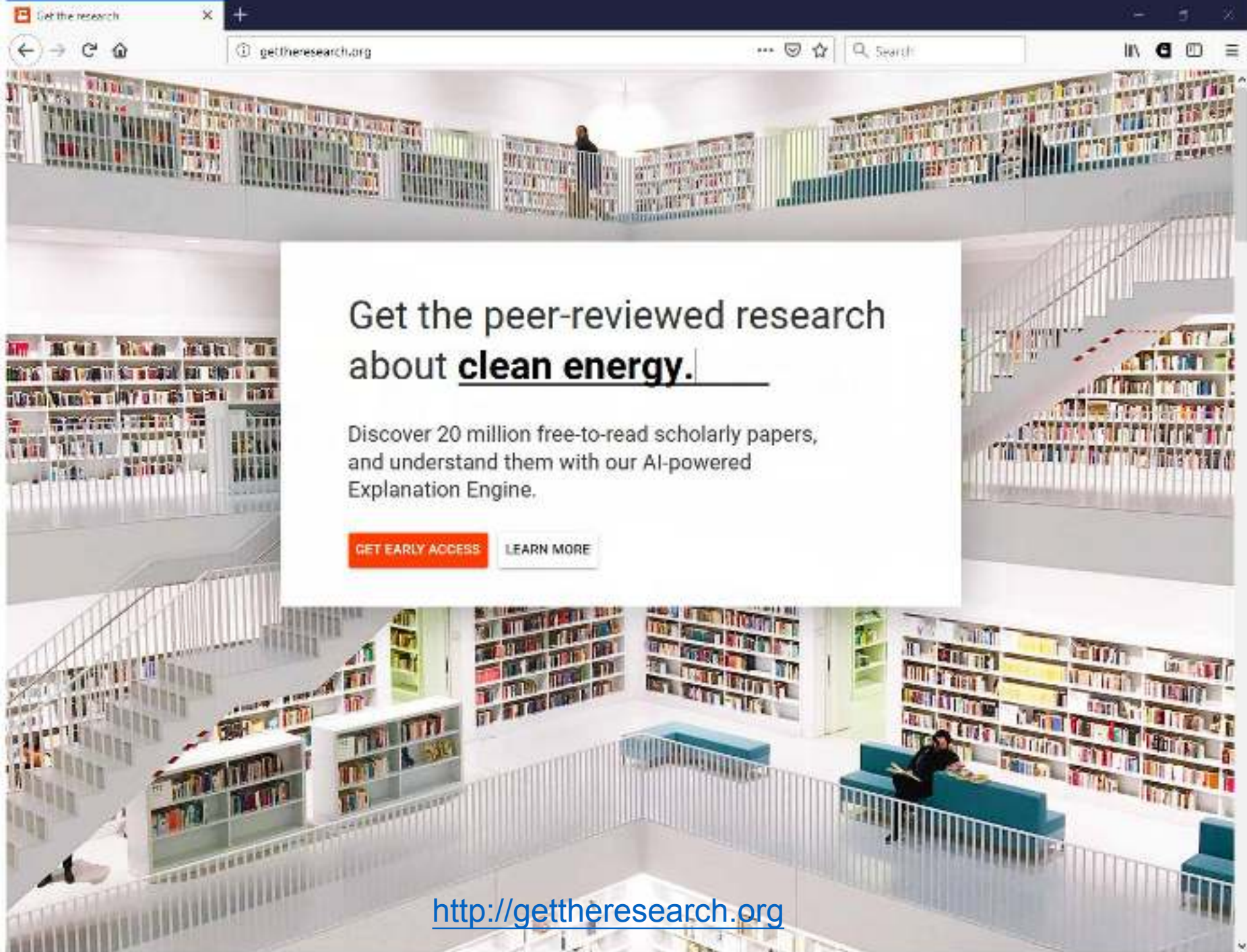


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Benefits of an open access repository and policy

Collects and preserves the University's scientific output and **disseminates** it through the repository

Provides the possibility of indexing and tracking the scientific output of the institution through Web search engines

Monitors the number of visits and use and collects data and indicators that can be used in institutional planning, and the search for sources of funding etc.

Demonstrates commitment to quality

University that doesn't know
what papers its faculty
publishes is like a factory
that doesn't know what it
produces

Bernard Rentier, Recteur honoraire / Rector
Emeritus - Université de Liège, Belgium

Benefits of an open access repository and policy (2)

**Strengthens international communication and
collaboration** channels and the University's
international profile

Increases the visibility and showcases
research

Increases the usage of research

Increases the impact of research (citations)

New collaborations

“Open access has made me more visible to my fellow researchers and also to funding bodies that are looking for people working in my area. I have been able to build new relationships. People see my work and they want to collaborate.”

Professor Mary Abukutsa-Onyango, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research, Production and Extension) and Professor of Horticulture at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology

Improved teaching and research

Open access repositories are extremely important. When my students need to read articles to compare our situation in Uganda with what is happening elsewhere in the region, I know they will be able to find good quality research that is freely available. This has made a difference to the quality of their thinking and ideas. They see the links between the theory that I am teaching, and how this theory is applied in practice. They are more able to come up with research topics that are relevant to Uganda, and that will help our country grow and develop.”

Richard Sebaggala, a researcher and lecturer in economics at Uganda Christian University

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Last updated 17 days ago

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work in progress, October 2018

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https://coartraining.gitbook.io/coar-repository-toolkit/discoverability

Search engine optimisation

Last updated last month

Repository content should be searchable via the major search engines in use by its users. These resources provide information to ensure repository records are indexed by search engines.

Kenning Aritsch presents "Driving Traffic to institutional Repositories: How Search Engine Optimization can Increase the Number of Downloads from IR". From the introduction, "this presentation discusses search engine optimization techniques, especially for Google Scholar, which can be responsible for the majority of referrals that result in IR file downloads. The presentation also introduces a new web service called RAMP (Repository Analytics & Metrics Portal) that accurately counts file downloads from IR and requires no installation or training." Slides can be found at [this link](#).



Driving Traffic to Institutional Repositories

How Search Engine Optimization can increase the number of downloads from IR

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Controlled Vocabularies

COAR develops a set of controlled vocabularies for the bibliographic metadata elements used in records describing research outputs. In order to define the controlled vocabularies, the COAR Controlled Vocabularies Editorial Board analyzes existing vocabularies and dictionaries and will use the most appropriate existing terms whenever possible. In the case where there are gaps, new terms are defined by the group in collaboration with the repository community.

COAR Resource Type Vocabulary: It defines concepts to identify the genre of a resource. Such resources, like publications, research data, audio and video objects, are typically deposited in institutional and thematic repositories or published in eJournals.

Controlled Vocabulary for Resource Type Genres (Version 2.0 draft)

vocabularies.coar-repositorytoolkit.org

COAR Access Rights Vocabulary: It defines concepts to declare the access status of a resource. Multilingual labels regard regional distinctions in language and term.

Controlled Vocabulary for Access Rights (Draft V1)

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Golden rules for repository managers

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However, the best way to get your documents indexed by BASE is to provide an OAI interface. We have compiled some *golden rules* that might be helpful to optimize your OAI interface. If your OAI interface complies with these rules, we can assure fast and smooth indexing of your source. Data from your source will be presented completely and in the best possible way.

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⚠ Provide preferably persistent Identifiers (DOI, Handle, URN) which will still be working after relocation of the server and thereupon change of the URL. Make sure that DOIs etc. are registered with an appropriate registration agency and that they are resolving. Especially DSpace installations need to configure the 'handle' otherwise it refers to a dummy URL (123456789) which generates an error message.

Documents whose identifier does not begin with http(s) or refers to a dummy (123456789) will not be indexed. If a DOI etc. is not registered the document will be indexed, but the link displayed in the BASE hit list will result in an error message. Sources with most of the links not working may be removed from the index.

✧ Providing access information (Open Access)

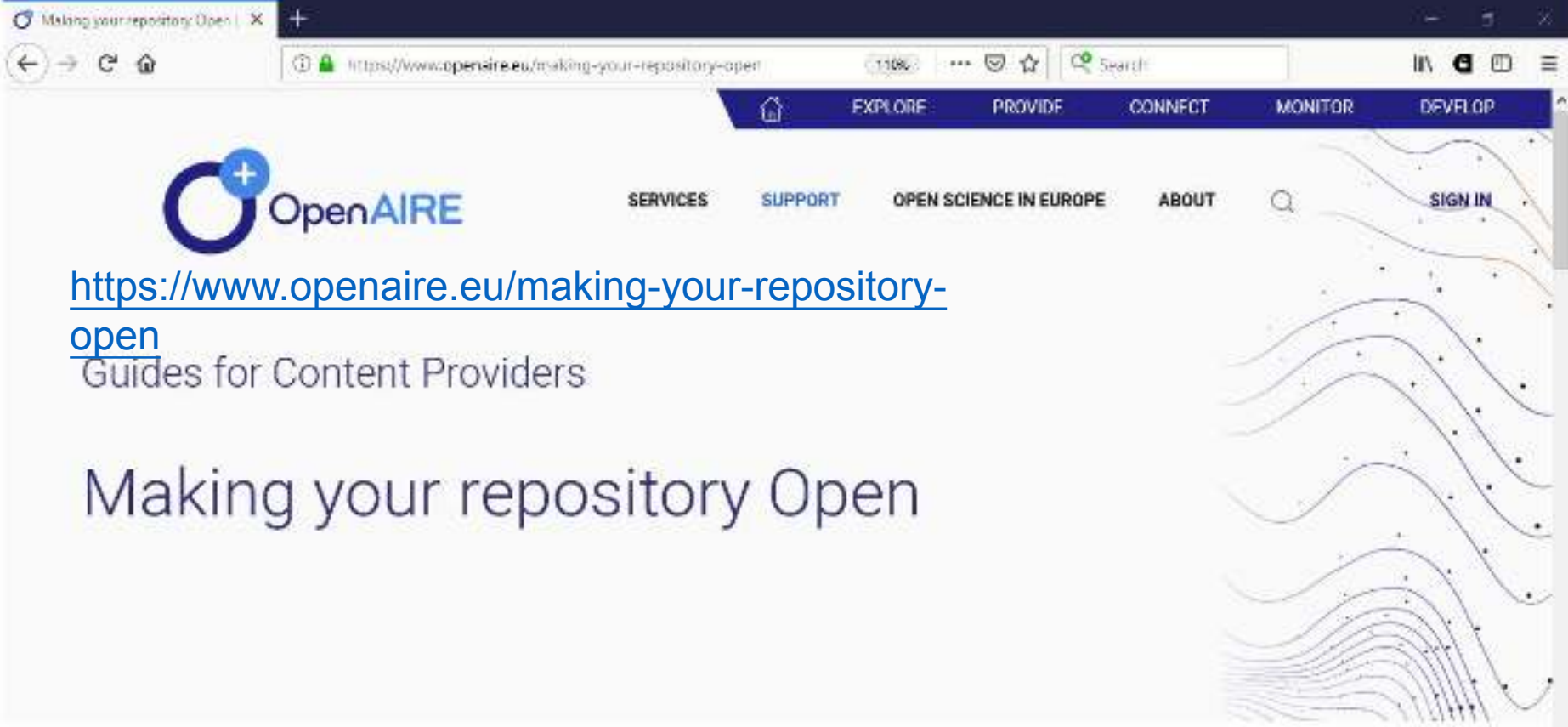
💡 Access information of the fulltext should be provided in the field <dc:rights> of each item according to the **info-eu-repo vocabulary**. Alternative: Open access documents are provided in an extra set (OA set). The name of this set is listed in each metadata record in the field *setSpec*.

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✧ Providing information concerning re-use / licence (Creative Commons)

💡 Authors can publish their work under a **Creative Commons licence** in your repository. You expose the chosen license in your OAI interface within an additional <dc:rights> field, e.g. <dc:rights>https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0 /</dc:rights>.

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SHOULD ALSO
BE LICENSED

4. DATA AND
DATASETS AND
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EIFL developed this checklist to help repository managers and administrators, librarians and other support staff involved in managing scholarly output at research and educational institutions to enhance their DSpace open access repositories.

The checklist is based on a series of seven webinars organized by EIFL with invited experts from the Institute of Development Studies (IDS, United Kingdom) and Stellenbosch University (South Africa), from January to May 2016. The experts, Nason Bimbe (IDS) and Hilton Gibson (Stellenbosch University), shared suggestions and good practices in setting up and running open access repositories using DSpace free and open source software. DSpace is the most commonly used repository software in EIFL partner countries.

This is the third revision of the checklist. It includes the latest version of DSpace software, and new sections on Golden rules for repository managers from BASE aggregator, CORE Recommender plug-in and Signposting and ResourceSync technologies. [The first version of the checklist was published as a [blog on the EIFL website in June 2016.](#)]



<https://github.com/DSpace-Labs/awesome-dspace>

awesome-dspace

A list of awesome DSpace related resources compiled by the DSpace Community Advisory Team

Contribution Guidelines

Please contribute your tips, examples, and best practices for managing and administering DSpace repositories. Either follow the instructions in [Adding something to an awesome list](#) to create a Pull Request or create an issue in the [Issue Tracker](#).

General Reference for DSpace

- [DSpace Support](#)
- [DSpace Documentation](#)
- [DSpace Code](#)

Tutorials

Feature reference

DSpace instances with notable features

- [University of Toronto TSpace](#) - Real time downloads map, using Leaflet

Integrations

Miscellaneous tools

- [AIP Files](#) - Repository of re-usable AIP files for DSpace testing
- [DSpace-Docker-Images](#) - Repository for developing and managing published Docker images for DSpace development
- [Extensions and Addons Work](#) - list of DSpace Addons

Thank you!

Questions ?

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