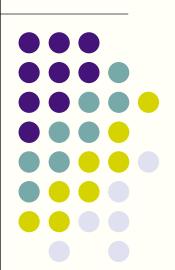
Open Access and Canadian Libraries: Taking a Position

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- OA in 5 minutes or less
- Activities of the CLA OA Task Force
- Position statement on OA in Canadian libraries
- The status of OA, particularly in Canada
- Next steps
- Q & A/Discussion





- OA content is freely accessible on the Web
- Mostly scholarly journal articles
- Authors usually have more control over their works
- Some reasons behind OA:
 - Broader dissemination
 - More author control
 - High serial prices
 - Taxpayer-funded research





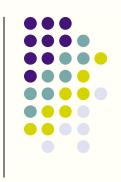
- Two main paths/roads/routes to OA:
 - Green author self-archiving in subject and institutional repositories
 - Gold OA publishing





- Formed in November 2006
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- Mandate: To prepare a report for CLA Executive Council providing:
 - a draft Policy Statement on Open Access in the Canadian Library Association;
 - recommendations on procedures and practices to implement the Policy should it be approved;
 - a draft CLA Position Statement on Open Access in Canadian libraries.





- Recommendations on Open Access for CLA's own publications:
 - 1) That CLA provide for full and immediate open access for all CLA publications, including *Feliciter*,
 - 2) That CLA actively encourage its members to self-archive in institutional and/or disciplinary repositories and itself investigate a partnership with E-LIS, the Open Archive for Library and Information Studies,
 - 3) That CLA provide for the author's retention of copyright by employing Creative Commons licensing or publisher-author agreements that promote open access, and
 - 4) That CLA adopt an open communications policy for all, or almost all, CLA communications

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Alternative options for the recommendations:

1(a). Embargoed Open Access to Feliciter

Recommendation: That CLA provide for full and immediate open access for all CLA publications, with the exception of Feliciter, and employ the use of RSS feeds and other means to further the timely dissemination of information. The embargo period for Feliciter would be one (1) issue and the embargo policy itself would be reviewed after one (1) year.

1(b). Individual Review for Open Access Monographs

Recommendation: That CLA provide for full and immediate open access for all CLA publications, with the exception of monographs published by the Association, and employ the use of RSS feeds and other means to further the timely dissemination of information. Monographs would be considered for open access publishing on a one-by-one basis.





- Implementation of the recommendations:
 - CLA Digest is openly available online for 2007 and 2008
 - Feliciter is openly available online for 2006, 2007, and 2008, save for the most recent issue
 - CLA annual reports are openly available online from 2004-2005 to the present





- Other activities of the Task Force:
 - Wrote responses to:
 - Canadian Institutes of Health Research's Policy on Access to Research Outputs
 - Library and Archives Canada's consultation on a Canadian Digital Information Strategy (with the CLA Copyright Working Group)
 - Canada Revenue Agency's Consultation on Proposed Guidelines for Research as a Charitable Activity.
 - Organized a pre-conference, Transitioning to Open Access, held just before the First International Public Knowledge Project (PKP) Conference, Vancouver July 2007 (see First Monday, Volume 12 Number 10 - 1 October 2007

http://www.uic.edu/htbin/cgiwrap/bin/ojs/index.php/fm/article/view/1996)

CLA Position Statement on Open Access for Canadian Libraries - Preamble



Whereas connecting users with the information they need is one of the library's most essential functions, and access to information is one of librarianship's most cherished values (from the 2005 CLA Resolution on Open Access), therefore CLA recommends that Canadian libraries of all types strongly support and encourage open access.

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Therefore, it is fitting that CLA, and Canadian libraries of all types:

 support and encourage policies requiring open access to research supported by Canadian public funding, as defined above. If delay or embargo periods are permitted to accommodate publisher concerns, these should be considered temporary, to provide publishers with an opportunity to adjust, and a review period should be built in, with a view to decreasing or eliminating any delay or embargo period

Open Access Policy: Funding Agencies Selected International Policy Developments



- U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH):
 Public Access Policy
- Wellcome Trust: Open and Unrestricted Access to the Outputs of Published Research
- Research Councils U.K.
- U.K. Natural Environment Research Council
- Sherpa JULIET list





- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) adopts OA in principle, 2004
- SSHRC Aid to Open Access Journals
- Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Policy on Access to Research Outputs: research & data, within 6 months of publication
- Genome Canada research & data within 6 months of publication
- Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance
- More in the works

Open Access Policy: Universities



- European Universities Association: unanimous commitment to OA policies
- Harvard Faculty of Arts & Sciences (and Law): faculty grants university OA license to their work
- Athabasca University: open access press





- Write response to consultation. Link to CLA Position Statement on OA.
- Post a link to the consultation on your library's website, and a link or two to help patrons understand the issues.
- Talk to your MP about OA, or add a question about OA support for all candidates in an election.





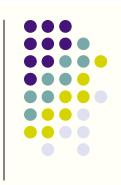
raise awareness of library patrons and other key stakeholders about open access, both the concept and the many open access resources, through means appropriate to each library, such as education campaigns and promoting open access resources.

Raising awareness about OA: ideas for the library website

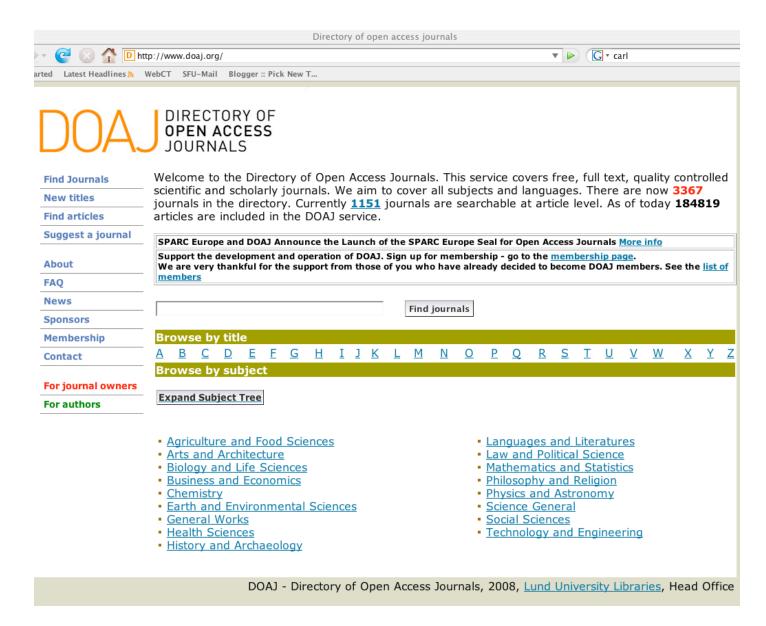


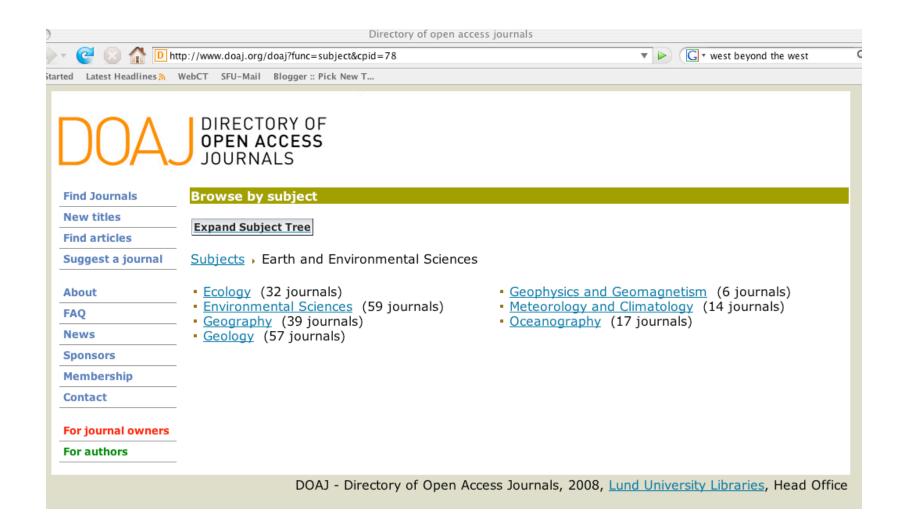
- Our library supports the Budapest Open Access Initiative
 - http://www.soros.org/openaccess/index.shtml
- The Canadian Library Association supports Open Access (link to Position Statement)
- To learn more about open access, see Peter Suber's Open Access Overview http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/overview.htm
- Think it's all free on the internet? We're trying ask us about open access!

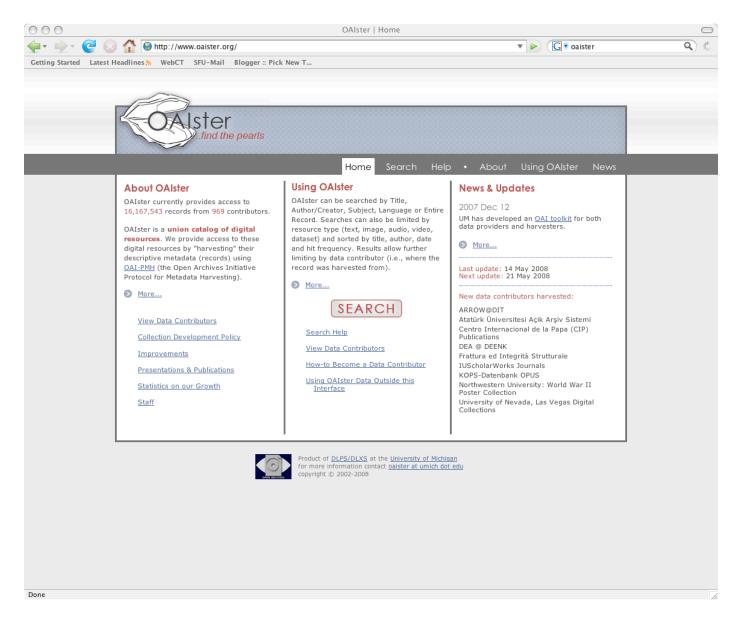
Raising awareness about OA resources: suggestions

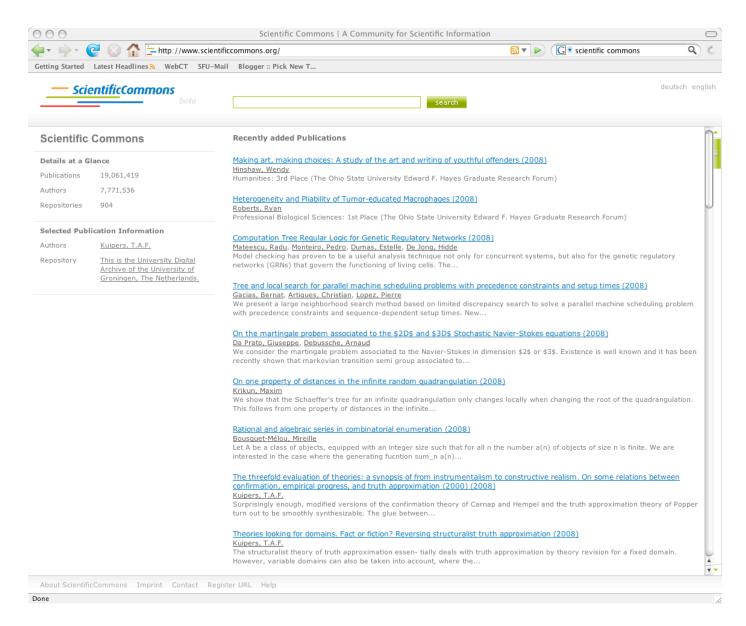


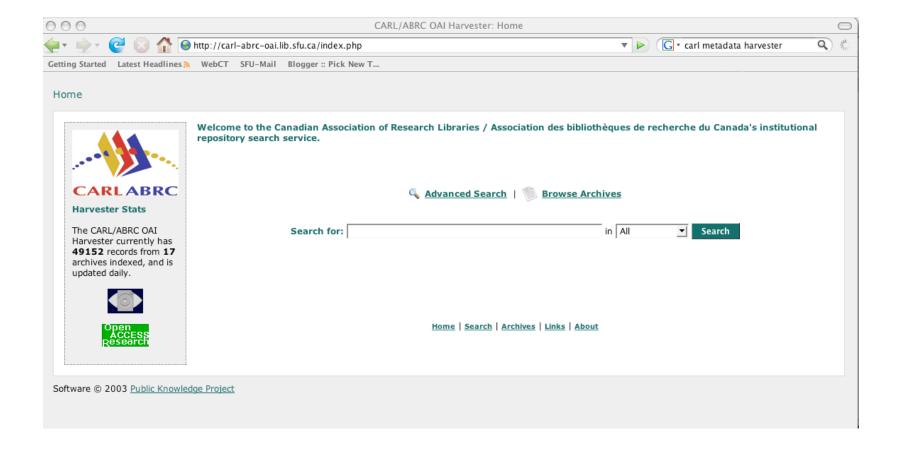
- Website or subject guide links / newsletter articles / educational sessions:
 - Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) http://www.doaj.org
 - Canadian Association of Research Libraries (CARL)
 Metadata Harvester http://carl-abrc-oai.lib.sfu.ca/
 - OAlster http://www.oaister.org/
 - Scientific Commons http://www.scientificcommons.org/
 - Alouette Canada http://www.alouettecanada.ca/

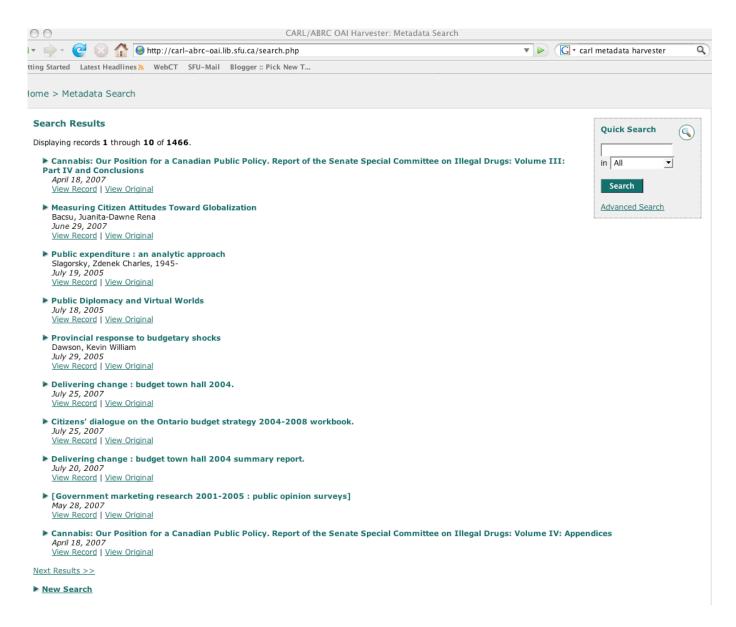


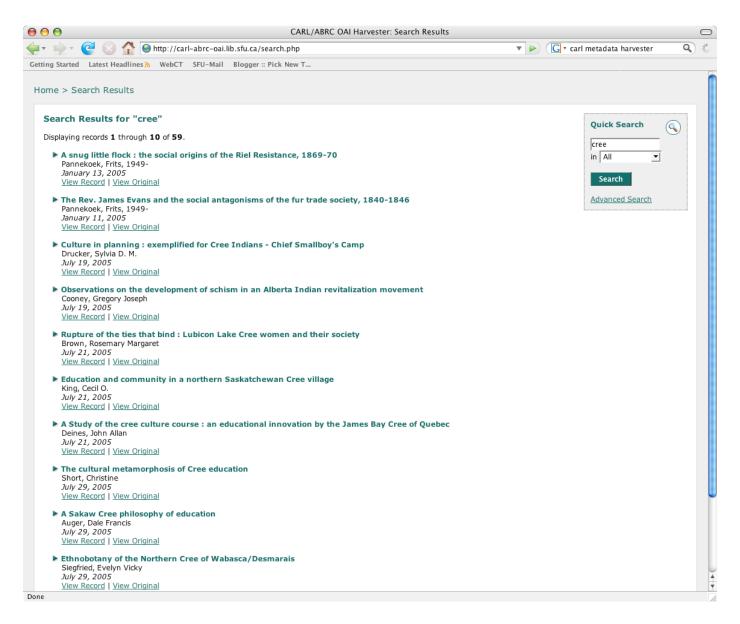


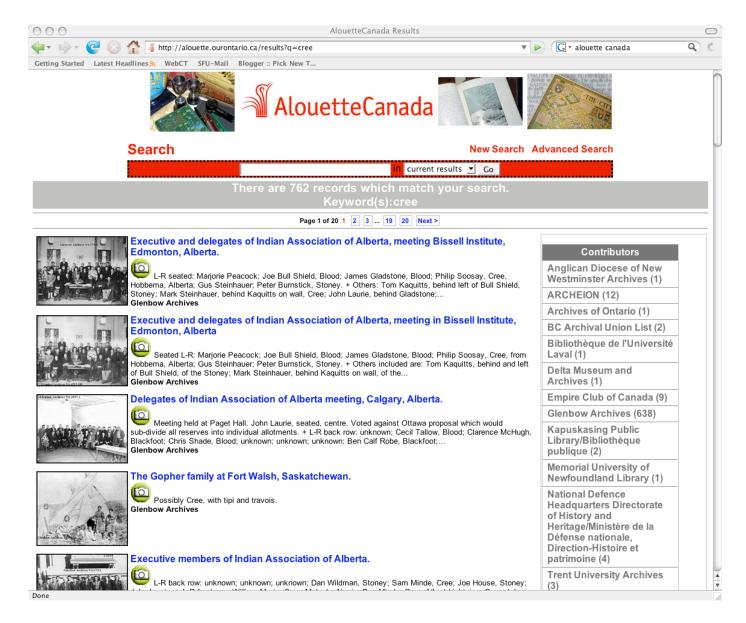














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support the development of open access in all of its varieties, including gold (OA publishing) and green (OA self-archiving). Libraries should consider providing economic and technical support for open access publishing, by supporting open access journals or by participating in the payment of article processing fees for open access. The latter could occur through redirection of funds that would otherwise support journal subscriptions, or through taking a leadership position in coordinating payments by other bodies, such as academic or government departments or funding agencies.

Library Funding and Technical Support for OA



- 2/3 of Association of Research Libraries (ARL) responding to survey either involved in publishing, or planning to become involved
- Canada: Public Knowledge Project / OJS
- SCOAP3 Consortium: aims to shift all high energy physics publishing to OA
- DOAJ Membership
- Open Access publisher memberships

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retain their copyright, for example through the use of the CARL / SPARC Author's Addendum, or through the use of Creative Commons licensing.

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CLA Position Statement on Open Access for Canadian Libraries: Summary



- Access to information a core library value
- Budapest OA definition
- Benefits:
 - Research value enhanced
 - Impact of researcher enhanced
 - Taxpayer access to funded research
 - Security of Access to Canadian research
 - Public Knowledge

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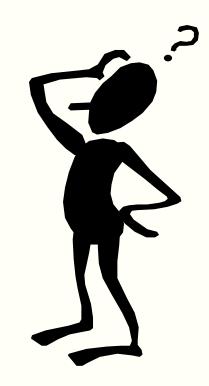


Actions for Canadian libraries:

- Support open access policy
- Raise awareness about open access & open access resources
- Economic and technical support for open access
- Encourage authors to retain copyright

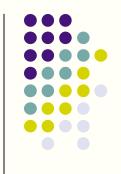
Questions? Discussion?





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Some Further Resources



- CLA OA Task Force Mandate and Membership:
 http://www.cla.ca/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Open_Access_Task_Force&Template=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&ContentID=2564
- Recommendations of the CLA Task Force on Open Access:
 http://www.cla.ca/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Open_Access_Task_Force&Template=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&ContentID=2563
- Canadian Institutional Repositories:
 http://www.carl-abrc.ca/projects/institutional_repositories/canadian_projects-e.html
- Peter Suber: Open Access Overview
- http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/overview.htm

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- SHERPA JULIET http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/juliet/
- Karla Hahn. Research Library Publishing Services: New Options for University Publishing. Association of Research Libraries. 2008. Download from: http://www.arl.org/resources/index.shtml
- CARL-SPARC Author's Addendum
 http://www.carl-abrc.ca/projects/author/author-e.html
- Steve Hitchcock. The effect of open access and downloads ('hits') on citation impact: a bibliography of studies. http://opcit.eprints.org/oacitation-biblio.html

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