Overview

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Welcome to **Module 6** of the **Open Science MOOC**. This course is totally **SELF-PACED**, meaning it can be completed whenever you want and in your own time.

Rationale: Making scholarly research articles openly available is easy, legal, and has demonstrable benefits to authors. This makes it a good beginning step for a researcher just beginning to explore the open world. There is a set of knowledge required to navigate the Open Access landscape, involving copyright, article status, repositories, and economics. This module will introduce key concepts and tools that can help a researcher make their work openly available and maximize the benefits to themselves and others.

Learning outcomes

- You will become familiar with the history of scholarly publishing, and development of the present Open Access landscape.

- You will gain a multi-stakeholder insight into Open Access, and be able to convey a balanced overview of the perceived advantages and disadvantages associated with Open Access publishing.

- You will be able to describe some of the complexities of the current the Open Access landscape, including allowances for self-archiving and embargoes, copyright transfer, and publishing contracts.

- Based on community-specific practices, you will be able to use the different types of outlets (repositories) available for self-archiving, as well as the range of Open Access journal types available to you.

- You will able to make all of your own research papers Open Access through a combination of journals and development of a personal self-archiving protocol.

- You will be able to describe the current ebb and flow in the debates around preprints, and be able to locate and use relevant disciplinary preprint platforms.

- You will be able to use services like ImpactStory to track the proportion of your research that is Open Access.

Resources: Open Access to Research Papers

There are X tasks that are X as part of this module:

1. A literature search using Open Knowledge Maps

2.

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Other live modules:

- Module 1: Open Principles
- Module 5: Open Research Software and Open Source