#critlib Open Access & the politics of knowledge sharing

A recap of the March 21st #critlib chat

by Ashley Dawn Farley  a year ago

**Ashley Farley**
@ashleydfarley

Hi #critlib! Welcome to "#OA & the Politics of Knowledge Sharing." Let's start w/intro's. I'm Ashley, special librarian @gatesfoundation

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**Bree Norlander**
@bree_uw

Hello #critlib! I'm your co-moderator this evening. My name is Bree and I am completing my MLIS in June & am Data Services Specialist a @UW

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**Ryan Regier**
@ryregier

Hey #critlib! I'm Ryan. Government Librarian.

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**Jess Denke**
@missjessmlis

I'm Jess, a public services librarian at @DeSales_Trexler. Tweeting and packing for #acrl2017! #critlib

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**Jess Denke**
@missjessmlis

Pumped for this conversation, #critlib. Thanks for talking about #OA!

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I'm Kate, a lib tech at UW-Seattle Libraries #critlib

Q1. Do you agree or disagree that scientific research should be freely available? Include your reasoning. #critlib

A1: This is such a complex question. Not all research data is equal. Security issues (e.g., nuclear power) makes me want to keep #critlib

some secret. At the same time, some data is only collected with the intent to respect not overtly sharing it. @tararobertson has a #critlib

A1. Yes. Mostly publicly funded so should be OA. #critlib

A1. Yes. Because as a spoonie that information can have significant impacts on my life/health #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/...
Q1. Scientific research shouldn’t exist in a $ silo, but should be developed by and available to all. So yes! #critlib

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Kate Deibel
@metageeky

great talk about the potential conflicts in open sharing and respecting cultures. #critlib

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Ryan Regier
@ryregier

A1 /2 That’s generally the reason I use to convince others for OA. But also OA creating more content than closed access would #critlib

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Kate Deibel
@metageeky

A1 My past research work also makes me worry about the too many incompetent cooks problem. #critlib

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Jessica Schomberg
@schomj

A1 ok, after seeing Kate’s response, I can see some specific situations in which restrictions are warranted for safety/privacy #critlib

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Jess Denke
@missjessmlis

Do librarians disagree on this? #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/...

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@metageeky never thought of that! Globally people have different intentions! #critlib

A1 I'll say too that I have one further concern: funding OA. Servers, editors, etc. cost money. We need to support that. #critlib

@metageeky - Can you provide some generic examples? I'm just curious... #critlib twitter.com/metageeky/stat...

@bree_uw ClimateGate is a good example: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ClimateGate... #critlib

@bree_uw Or it's not uncommon for math profs to be sent novel 'proofs' of open problems. Or physicists proof against Einstein. #critlib

Q2. Do librarians have a clear role in the open access movement? Why or why not? #critlib
Jessica Schomberg (@schomj)

@ashleydfarley well, definitely yes is it's published I'm supportive of OA. Was thinking about research data needing diff controls #critlib

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Ashley Farley (@ashleydfarley)

@schomj which maybe means that all research doesn't need to be made public but if published it should be openly available? #critlib

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Bree Norlander (@bree_uw)

@schomj @ashleydfarley I think that's an important distinction unpublished research data vs. published #critlib

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Jessica Schomberg (@schomj)

A2. At MPOW librarians are leading the charge, but once OA is normalized? IDK #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/...

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Kate Deibel (@metageeky)

A1 I admit I would love it if OA helped encourage more experiment replication. Alas, fighting for funding/novelty hinders that. #critlib

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Ashley Farley (@ashleydfarley)

@bree_uw @schomj I feel many researchers feel compelled to publish for career adv. that research becomes second tier concern #critlib

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Q2: Since librarian's roles vary dramatically, I think our common ground could be sharing that OA publishing exists and is viable #critlib

Kate Deibel
@metageeky

Man, I could go on and on just answering Q1. There's also disability access issues, time sink of sharing for researchers, etc. #critlib

Bree Norlander
@bree_uw

Along those same lines, I'd love to see more publishing of negative/null hypothesis results #critlib twitter.com/metageeky/stat...

Kate Deibel
@metageeky

@bree_uw Or making metanalyses actually far more accurate. #critlib

Kate Deibel
@metageeky

@ashleydfarley Especially as many publishers are pricing themselves out of existence. If only we could explain that to depts. #critlib

Ashley Farley
@ashleydfarley

@metageeky And they still shut out much of the Global South researchers by doing this #critlib
@metageeky Excellent point! #critlib

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Sharing Time! Q3. Share a story where open access to research articles has impacted your personal or professional life. #critlib

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Kate Deibel
@metageeky

A3 Sort of a failure, but there's a widely cited paper in the assistive tech adoption lit that practically no one has a copy of. #critlib

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The magazine went defunct, has no archive, and yet people still cite it directly. #critlib

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Kate Deibel
@metageeky

@bree_uw I’d have to look it up. During my PhD, I failed to find anyone who had a copy. Even contacted old eds of the mag/lay jourl #critlib

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Jessica Schomberg
@schornj

A3. I mean, with the spoonie thing, pretty much everything provided through the NIH? #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/...

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@schomj This is exactly why I think everyone, including "citizen scientists" should advocate for & support #openaccess #critlib

@schomj A3. I also remember a time between library school and working at an academic library not being able to access anything #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/...

@metageeky How many of us who work in academic libraries share PDFs "under the table" to our peers? #critlib twitter.com/schomj/status/...

@ashleydfarley @metageeky I bet the number is higher than one might guess. Our whole profession is providing information 1/2 #critlib

@ashleydfarley @metageeky Being restricted due to publisher demands just feels wrong sometimes 2/2 #critlib

@bree_uw @schomj The health sciences fields have definitely been ahead of the curve with regard to #OA which is great #critlib
Jessica Schomberg  
@s.chompj

A3. Not having access to stuff through work, not being an "authorized researcher" really limits job opps #critlib

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"scholarly sharing" is authorized in many licenses! #critlib twitter.com/metageeky/stat...

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Ashley Farley  
@ashleydfarley

Q4. Does your library support Open Access? If so, how? #critlib

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Kate Deibel  
@metageeky

A4 Yes. I've actually been working on the UI for our open data repo during this chat. #critlib

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@metageeky

@ashleydfarley It's a Hydra-Sufia implementation. #critlib

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@bree_uw

A4: My academic library: absolutely. My public library: no idea. I'm curious how much public libraries discuss #OA resources #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/...

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Anastasia  
@chiuchiutrain

A4 yes, disjointedly. We did pop-up "about OA" tables during OAWeek, and use OJS for an OA student research journal #critlib

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@chiuchiutrain Was there interest from the students? I'm curious in reaching out to more of the next generation researchers #critlib

Kate Deibel @metageeky

@ashleydfarley @chiuchiutrain Although the next gen is good to get excited about, we have to keep in mind the old gen do the hiring #critlib

Kate Deibel @metageeky

@ashleydfarley @chiuchiutrain I've heard too many profs say they would not hire anyone who published only in OA venues. #critlib

Kate Deibel @metageeky

@ashleydfarley @chiuchiutrain Reason being that they want to see publication in the the primary venues of the field #critlib

Jessica Schomberg @schornj

A4. We've done pretty well establishing our IR and are now moving to provide more educational opps for + partnerships with faculty #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/

Jessica Schomberg @schornj

A4 iirc Minitex is working with public libraries in MN to help people publish OA #critlib twitter.com/bree_uw/status...
@scomj I'd never heard of Minitex - and it's through my undergrad alma mater! #critlib

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Q5. Do you think librarians can become the sole disseminators of research? Should they be? #critlib

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A5. No. What? No. We do enough gatekeeping as it is. #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/

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A5. No. Researchers are critical stakeholders and should be involved in the dissemination of their work. #critlib

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I'm not sure what it would mean to be a sole disseminator, but disciplinary communities will always be really important #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/

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@nfoasberg I'm thinking of a system where librarians replace publishers & disseminate research from their institution #critlib

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Anastasia
@chiuchiutrain
A5. Aside from whether libraries could or not, I don’t know that that would help. Our structures are riddled with other probs #critlib

Bree Norlander
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A5. I think more researchers are actually disseminating their research themselves through pre-print archives and personal websites #critlib twitter.com/ashleydfarley/...

Jessica Schomberg
@scomj
@ashleydfarley Ohhh. At some point, someone will want to snatch up the content and commodify it and uni admim will say yes, so 😏 #critlib

Kate Deibel
@metageeky
@ashleydfarley @scomj Even then, the researchers have to be a critical stakeholder in that conversation #critlib

Ashley Farley
@ashleydfarley
@metageeky @scomj Most definitely. More focus on community building, open peer review, etc. something like @OSFramework #critlib

Kate Deibel
@metageeky
@ashleydfarley @nfoasberg We’d need to seriously up our abilities to share holdings across libraries. Linked data is not here yet. #critlib
Thank you all for participating in tonight's #critlib on #openaccess. I'll create a Storify to share. You librarians rock!

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Thank you #critlib community for a great #OA discussion and @ashleydfarley for inviting me to co-moderate!

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