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Integrating Open Access Information into the Library Discovery System

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Lib4RI – Library for the Research Institutes within the ETH Domain: Eawag, Empa, PSI & WSL







Lib4RI – what's that?

Library for the Research Institutes within the ETH Domain: Eawag, Empa, PSI & WSL



- Eawag Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology
- Empa Swiss Federal Laboratories for Materials Science and Technology
- PSI Paul Scherrer Institute (natural and engineering sciences)
- WSL Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research

The four Research Institutes within the ETH Domain





Q Search articles, books, journals ☆ including Open Access information ☆ & more

Library for the Research Institutes within the ETH Domain: Eawag, Empa, PSI & WSL

extensive offer of e-media

51'218 holdings e-journals 801'540 holdings e-books

Open Access

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20+ read & publish agreements78-93 % OA for recent years

complete institutional repository 99'763 publications 1'064'283 full text downloads / year

small library CHF 5.45 Mio exper 15.1 FTEs

expenditure FTEs staff



Lib4RI is the joint «Library for the Research Institutes within the ETH Domain: Eawag, Empa, PSI & WSL». As a scientific library, we provide all affiliates of the four institutes at their 11 research sites with extensive access to literature and technic information for research, teaching, and consulting. Furthermore, we offer a broad range of services surrounding the publica process.

Lib4RI News

16.06.2025

Wiley negotiations – a milestone reached

16.06.2025

Call for contributions for open educational resources

26.05.2025

Research Software Engineering and Data Stewardship Career Talk – Data as of 31.12.24



Conclusion: The library will turn inside out

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Consequence: two streams of information

Reading

- o library catalogue
 - o tendency: integrated library system
 - integrating further information (articles, institutional repository, maps, ...)
- o databases
 - Web of Science, Scopus, PubMed, OpenAlex etc.



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Publishing Open Access

- o Gold OA: DOAJ
- o Green OA: JISC open policy finder
- read & publish agreements: web pages, excel files
- o integration portals: oa.finder and others



The Lib4RI Search Tool



bringing together reading and publishing information



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Open Access got really complicated

o information researchers need:

ne journal part of a current OA agreement?

- journal included?
- quota?
- time period, agreement in place?

ions for green OA?

- which version?
- embargo?
- filtered, relevant options from Open Policy Finder

d OA journal?

- fee (APC)?
- who pays?

ense information and recommendation

• Journal Impact Factor: 5.9 (details at JCR)





Implementation: APIs instead of a monolithic database

- Drupal for the boxes 0
- APIs from several external systems 0
- JavaScript for box contents 0
- code openly available on Codel 0 https://codeberg.org/Lib4RI cooperation highly appreciated
- 1 Excel file for the agreements 0

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OpenAlex



Gimmi E et al. Ecological divergence despite common

mating sites: genotypes and symbiotypes shed light

OA Information

local OA agreements

links to relevant webpages

DOAJ

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Open policy finder

Local information on read & publish agreements

Publisher	Title	ISSN	Agreement type	Co	mment	License	Link
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ASM	Journal of Bacteriology	1098-5530		AP No	C fully covered by the Subscribe to Open mod te: page charges still apply	del. CC BY	ASM
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Agile development





Challenges

We use APIs

o API speed is distinctly different (e.g. library catalogue is slow)

o errors are to correct in the source systems (e.g. APCs in DOAJ are often not up-to-date)



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Challenges

Researchers do not expect this service ...

o results of a small survey (WSL, senior scientists and Postdocs, n=56)



... but if they find it, they appreciate

- «I am very enthusiastic about the new search tool»
- ... the better integration of OA data is generally very helpful when selecting a journal and publishing strategy»
- o « ... it was quite self-explanatory»
- o «Generally all very useful. Top marks!»



We have to spread the word ...

- o introductions, trainings, e-mail footer, ...
- o «Can I publish OA in the journal xyz?»
 -> send a link

o flyer



We have a service to offer

o we address a need of the researchers

- o helps for marketing of other resourceso keeps the library relevant
- helps to increase the OA share of the researcher / of the institution

Open Access

(Data for journal articles from the Swiss OA Monitor, <u>https://oamonitor.ch/</u>, 10.06.25)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2020-2024
Eawag	87.5%	91.5%	92.7%	83.6%	83.3%	87.7%
WSL	85.0%	91.9%	89.4%	85.0%	83.9%	87.1%
Empa	81.5%	87.1%	83.0%	80.1%	80.2%	82.4%
Paul Scherrer Institute	80.0%	85.3%	83.9%	79.5%	77.9%	81.3%
University of Zürich	72.1%	78.5%	80.7%	78.8%	73.9%	76.8%
University of Basel	69.2%	76.7%	78.4%	77.1%	76.1%	75.5%
University of Geneva	70.4%	77.0%	77.3%	77.2%	75.3%	75.4%
University of Bern	69.4%	75.9%	79.7%	76.8%	<mark>74.2%</mark>	75.2%
University of Lausanne	66.7%	75.4%	76.4%	72.5%	72.3%	72.7%
ETH Zürich	65.2%	72.7%	74.6%	75.4%	<mark>73.5%</mark>	72.3%
University of Neuenburg	58.5%	72.5%	73.7%	70.7%	75.8%	70.2%
University of Freiburg	61.8%	69.4%	70.9%	71.9%	<mark>73.0%</mark>	69.4%
EPFL	57.6%	64.5%	66.0%	69.3%	68.4%	65.2%
University of Luzern	55.6%	59.7%	69.8%	68.1%	70.7%	64.8%
Università della Svizzera italiana	54.1%	66.2%	68.5%	69.6%	62.5%	64.2%
University of St. Gallen	52.2%	66.2%	68.0%	61.7%	61.3%	61.9%



Next step: publications influence search results





Further development: a look into our kitchen Journal search based on local publications



«Most relevant journals»?

- o the journals researchers publish in
- o institutional repository as a source
- o # articles for relevance ranking

o faster API

- limited number is important for «browse journals by subject» («Are there journals in my discipline to publish OA?»)
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What else?

- o further tabs
- o further resources (data!)
- o decoupled front-end

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o Lib4RI Chatbot



Questions? Discussion!

o Try it out! https://www.lib4ri.ch/



- o Do you know any other integrations?
- Are you interested? Cooperation partners welcome!
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