# Diving beneath the SURFACE: An Informational Session on SU's Institutional Repository

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"Knowledge which is not public is not knowledge." – David Parry, Associate Professor of Digital Media and Communication at St. Joseph's University

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- Leslie Chan, et al., Budapest Open Access Initiative (February 14, 2002)

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## Benefits of self-archiving on SURFACE

- ▶ 1. Access and archiving purposes: SURFACE is permanent destination for readily discoverable literature
- ▶ 2. Search Engine Optimization
- ▶ 3. Work on SURFACE is not vulnerable to takedown notices from publishers
- ▶ 4. SU Librarians available to offer individual assistance
- ▶ 5. Downloads and metrics reports based on a variety of measurements

#### Making SURFACE & Open Access work for you

- For publishers, as for researchers, visibility is the golden ticket
- ▶ ↑ green open access participation, ↑ publisher profits and institutional subscriptions
- ▶ Despite increase in gold (publisher-hosted) open access, 75-80% of all newly published research is paywalled
- ▶ Great majority (80-90%) of subscription-based journals allow some form of green open access republishing in repositories
- ► If copyright is held by a publisher: check SHERPA/RoMEO
- Preprint, postprint, publisher versions
- ▶ Book chapters: publisher permissions staff on a case-by-case basis, typically
- ▶ If you hold copyright, upload materials to SURFACE at any time!
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## Moving forward

- ▶ Read publication agreement with care!
- ▶ Be fully aware of the rights you're being asked to transfer to the publisher
- ▶ What's in it for you? And what, ideally, do you want this article to do out in the world?
- Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC) author addendum
- Variations on the author addendum: Science Commons Addendum Engine, MIT, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, Harvard...
- Do as much as you're comfortable with, and weigh your options if the publisher rejects addendum (rare!)
- We know you're busy! I can help! Taylor Davis-Van Atta: tdavisva@syr.edu
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TABLE 4 Main categories of scholarly resources used by ECRs to find information.						
Resource	France	China	Poland	Spain	UK/USA	Malaysia
Search engines						
Google	++++	++	++++	++++	+++	++++
Google Scholar/citations	++++	++	++++	++++	++++	++++
Sci-Hub	++	-	-	-	-	+
General databases						
Scopus	++	++	+++	+++	-	++++
WoS	++	+++	****	++	+	++++
EI	-	+++	-	-	-	+
CNKI	-	++++	-	-	-	-
Wanfangdata	-	++	-	-	-	-
Specialized databases*						
PubMed NCBI	++	+	-	+++	+++	++
SciFinder	+	-	-	-	+	+
Publishers' platforms			++			
ScienceDirect	++	+-	-	-	++	++
SprngerLink	++	+	-	-	-	+
IEEE	+	**	-	-	-	+
Libraries and their platforms <sup>b</sup>	++	++	++	+	+	++
Social media						
ResearchGate	+++	++	++	+++	++	+++
Academia	-	-	+	+	+	+

Source: Nicholas, D., Boukacem-Zeghmouri, C., Rodríguez-Bravo, B., Xu, J., Watkinson, A., Abrizah, A., Herman, E. and Świgoń, M. (2017), Where and how early career researchers find scholarly information. Learned Publishing, 30: 19–29. doi:10.1002/leap.1087

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