DISCOVERING JOURNAL/PUBLISHER OPEN ACCESS POLICIES

SHERPA/RoMEO

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There are tools available to help researchers comply with their funders’ Open Access mandates:

- SHERPA/ROMEO
- SHERPA/FACT
How can SHERPA help researchers?

• SHERPA offers many services to the research community

• RoMEO is one of these services

• It provides information on publishers’ copyright and archiving policies
SHERPA/RoMEO is for searching publisher or individual journal Open Access policies.
Sometimes publishers might have an overall Open Access policy for all their journals.
Sometimes individual journals belonging to the same publisher might have different Open Access policies.
SHERPA/RoMEO can be searched for either publisher or journal information.
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Perform your search
RoMEO colour codes are displayed for the journal/publisher indicating its Open Access archiving policies.

Relevant journal/publisher information comes up with links to its Open Access policy pages.

Publisher copyright policies & self-archiving

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How can SHERPA help researchers?

- SHERPA also offers a new service that combines RoMEO and JULIET.

- It is SHERPA/FACT.

- SHERPA/FACT pulls in data from RoMEO and JULIET, providing information on publishers’ copyright and archiving policies based on funder mandate.
SHERPA/FACT is still in its beta version
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