



Open science for publications and data Chances and risks for research integrity

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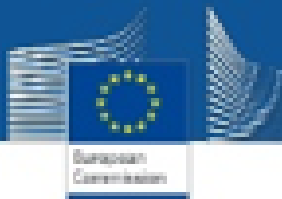
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Missions

Think over research practices

Define principles about individual behaviour
and collective attitudes

Offer recommendations for the
researchers's community and for their
institutions



Open Science – umbrella term



A recent enterprise at the international level

A strong will to open the results of science to

- The whole scientific community
- The media
- The citizens

In agreement with the **UNESCO Recommendation on Science and Scientific Researchers** (nov.2017)

Open Science: an in depth new policy

At the European level

Budapest Open Access Initiative (2003)

Open science recommended for EC funded research since 2012

Already on use for several EC programs and at ERC

In France

Opening of scientific results obtained with public funding :

COMPULSORY soon

National Plan for Open Science (2018) with allocation of funds

New horizons at the time of internet...

Publications in open access

- OA « green »: deposit preprints
- OA « gold »: author paying the APC (*Author Processing Charges*)
- **New**: bibliodiversity (Epi-journals, scientific blogs, etc...) *when scientists become their own publishers...*

Research data

- Data bases (raw data or usually already treated for general use)
- Large **Big Data Platforms** (free or paying access)

Algorithms and computation codes

**Opportunities /risks
for Ethics & RI**



Open access of publications

Highly ethical

Global today: 20% in open access in France

Prepublications on archives:

Common in Physics, Maths, Astrophysics...

Recent in life science

Newly appearing in SHS



Open access of publications: Opportunities for Ethics and Research Integrity

Information reaching all laboratories in the world

Fast exchanges and multi-group research facilitated

More fair attribution of a discovery

Better respect of intellectual properties

New opportunities for better peer review (open, transparent...)

Interactive discussion before validation

Access to all results

Open access of publications: Opportunities for Ethics and Research Integrity

Informations released that everyone can criticize

Better control of misconducts
Decrease of plagiarism and frauds



Open access of publications: Opportunities for Ethics and Research Integrity



Results of research are **restituted to citizens** who contributed to the funding

Scientific research output no longer abandoned
in the hands of the **major private publishers**

**The production (*research*) and the evaluation (*peer-review*)
of these « commercial goods »**

For publishers:
A highly profitable market

result from the work of the researchers themselves !



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Open access of publications: Tensions and risks for Ethics and Research Integrity

With the « **gold** » model of publications:
inequalities between groups

- Advantages to well-doted teams (having contracts) can pay expensive APC
- Disadvantages for domains outside the main stream

The « gold » model mitigated by Plan S in Europe (adopted by ERC and 14 Funding Agencies)

The danger of Predatory publishers



- Offer at very reduced APC
(Article Publishing Charge)
- No reliable scientific committee
- No impact factor

Problems for research **evaluation** of researchers (recruitment and carrier)
and of projects (based on publications)

Risks of promoting sloppy or wrong science

Open access of publications

Methods of evaluation have to change

Quality and integrity of the reviewing process

Transparency of the reviewers comments

Open process (Open peer review ? Collective reviewing ?)

Other methods (preprint, opinion of all readers....)

Criteria of evaluation

From a quantitative (bibliometric) to more qualitative ones

New criteria (« rewards and skills » of OSPP), new metrics

DORA initiative



Open access of publications

Bibliodiversity strongly encouraged

Epi-journals

Open Archives *(for instance HAL, BioRxiv, etc.)*

Archives of submitted articles

Archives of accepted articles with no embargo ?

Archives of preprints accepting comments of readers ?

Pre-Peer Review (PPR) edition models

Danger : fragmentation of the scientific edition world

Open Science and Research Freedom/Responsibility

- Open science brings the scientists and the public closer
(participative and citizen science)
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- Some research areas raise worrying challenges
(nanosciences, synthetic biology, artificial intelligence,...)

Researchers and citizens have to exchange more openly
(informations, opinions, uncertainties, thinking methods ideas...)

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in research:
a guide »

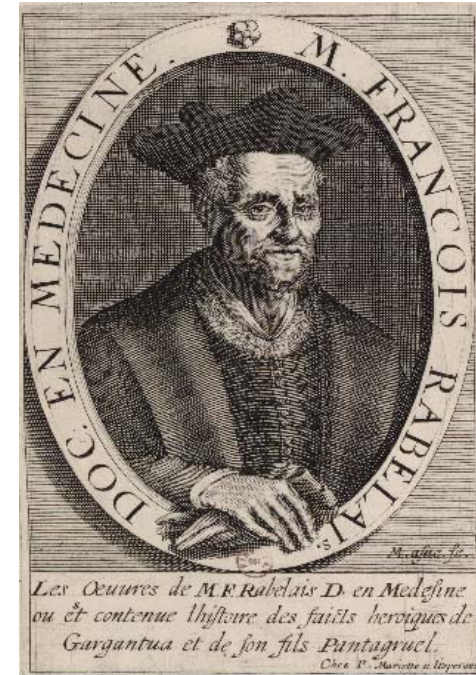
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Science sans conscience n'est que ruine de l'âme
Rabelais, Gargantua et Pantagruel, 1532

