

#OpenScienceQuest

OPEN SCIENCE QUEST

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// Aim //

Discovering Open Science practices through a gamified activity

// Concept //

Scavenger hunt with a retro-futurist visual and verbal identity

// Target //

Library users, students, early-career and senior researchers, librarians and research support staff, etc.

// Topics //

Six information points scattered throughout the library. Topics included OA, data, licences, PIDs, open source softwares and file formats.

// Activities //

At each point, 'Voyagers' had to find the answer to two questions and participate in one activity relating to the topic. Tasks included on-site info, puzzle-solving, webtools, social media, etc.

// Travel pack //

Freely available 'Open Science Voyager Pack', with a pencil and a travel sheet describing the activity and boxes to fill-in answers

// Reward //

Successful Voyagers were awarded a prize (powerbank) and a diploma of completion

Persistent Identifiers

QUESTION

You are trying to contact the author (Jane Smith) of a paper, but they changed University since the paper was published. What is the name of the new University they are working at now?

A quick web search yielded many different researchers, all named Jane Smith...

Now let's go to an alternate universe where the authors created an ORCID...

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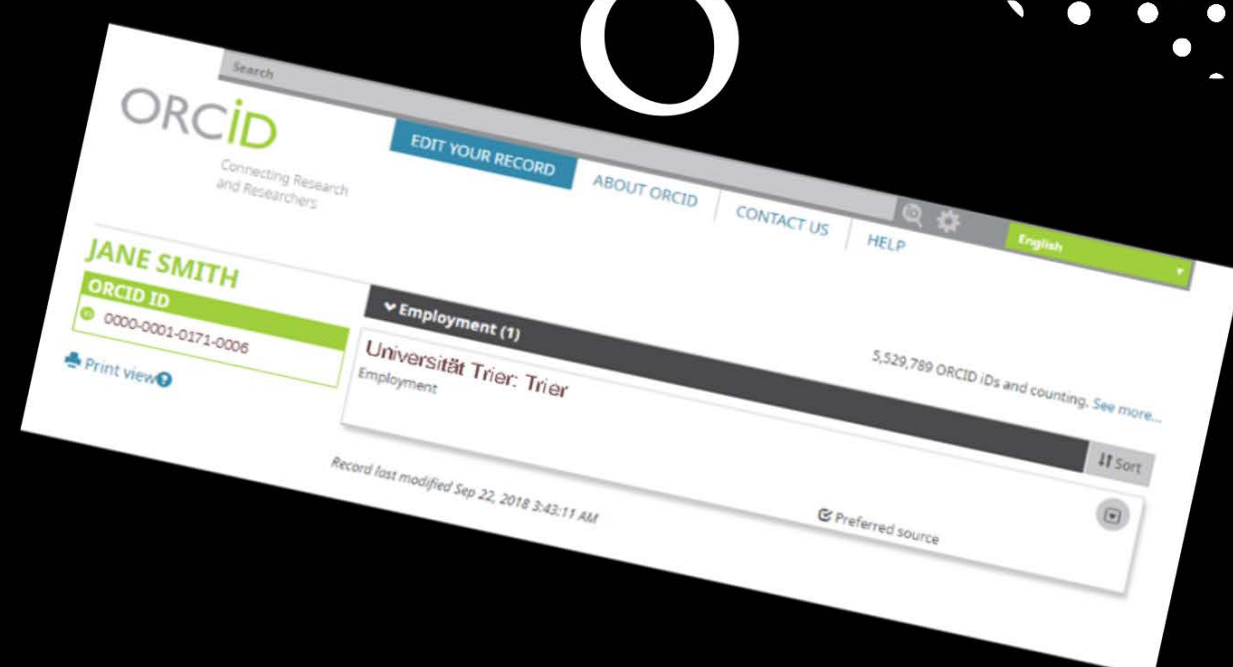
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Open Access

Publish or Perish

QUESTION

What is the name of the document released on 4 September 2018 that was a bombshell for the academic publishing landscape?

Hints: It has been met with strong opposition from profit publishers and non-open access.

My paper just got accepted in the journal ACS Applied Materials and Interfaces. In how many months will anyone be able to read it for free on the open access repository where I deposited it?

// Examples //

// Key points //

- * Independent and engaging learning activity.
- * Support various individual learning goals: grasp minimal concepts or get more in-depth knowledge of the subject.
- * Standalone displays allowed users to get informed without having to do the Quest.
- * Mix of information gathering techniques: on the displays and online search.
- * Adaptable activity for other institutions to reuse and build-upon.

// Suggestions //

- * Go digital and engage Voyagers by completing the Quest on mobile devices.
- * Attract participation with a prize.
- * Adapt your topics, materials and activities depending on your audience.
- * Make the Quest dynamic by scattering it over a larger area and by designing interactive/gamified activities.
- * Learning with others - provide collaborative activities (e.g. whiteboard, social media, group activity).

Mini challenge

Your turn!
Decipher the password below

Please share, reuse, adapt and organise your own Open Science Quest!

All materials available at:
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