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## Subscribe to Open in Practice: Library Lightning Round



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# Library Lightning Round: Coastal Carolina

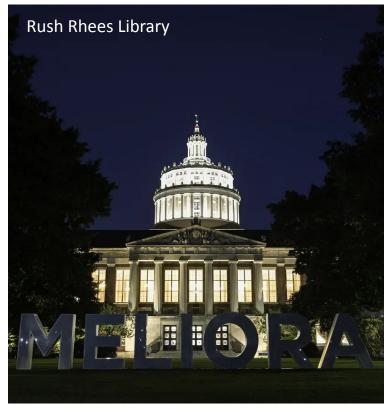
### CCU demographics

### Collection building strategies

- APC fund
- Transformative agreements
- •S2O
  - Benefits
  - Concerns



### University of Rochester



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#### Demographics

- Medium R1 institution (ARL)
  - Full-time tenure-track faculty: 1,386
  - Total enrolled students: 12,179
    - 6,767 undergraduate students
    - 5,430 graduate students
    - 3,810 international students
- University Libraries: River Campus
  Libraries; Miner Libraries & Sibley Library
- Some open access agreements w/publishers (R&P, S2O, Collective, etc.)
- No neutral/independent OA Fund
- New OA Book Grant pilot (limited)



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### Deciding value



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#### Traditional measurements/criteria

- Cost, Use, Cost/use (1 X)
- UR publications (100 X)
- Cited references on UR publications (10 X)
- Journal data
- Faculty engagement (editorial board, course material, area of excellence/niche area)

#### New measurements/criteria

- Journal OA content (% OA)
- Cost transparency/tiers
- Journal OA policy (Green OA)

#### New criteria for OA agreements

- Equitable access prioritize agreements that open and extend access as broadly as possible
- Knowledge creation prioritize agreements that connect to our researchers and their needs, supporting their creation of new knowledge and its dissemination
- Cost sustainability prioritize agreements that are cost neutral



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### **Evaluating S2O agreements**

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#### S2O usual deal

- Conditional OA
- Cost neutral
- Private benefits
- (OA guarantee)
- Content already valued by UR\*

#### Library assessment

#### Flat budget/no new requests

• Automatic renewal by default

#### Reduced budget/new requests

• Evaluate as usual, apply "new criteria for OA agreements"



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### Charleston Conference November 7, 2023

### Equitable, Feasible, Sustainable

*Everything you wanted to know about Subscribe to Open but were afraid to ask*  Kate McCready Visiting Program Officer for Academy Owned Scholarly Publishing

### **Collective Action: The BIG Collection**

- Moving from Independent Collections to One Shared and Fully Networked Collection
- Partner in the transformation of academic publishing and scholarly communication

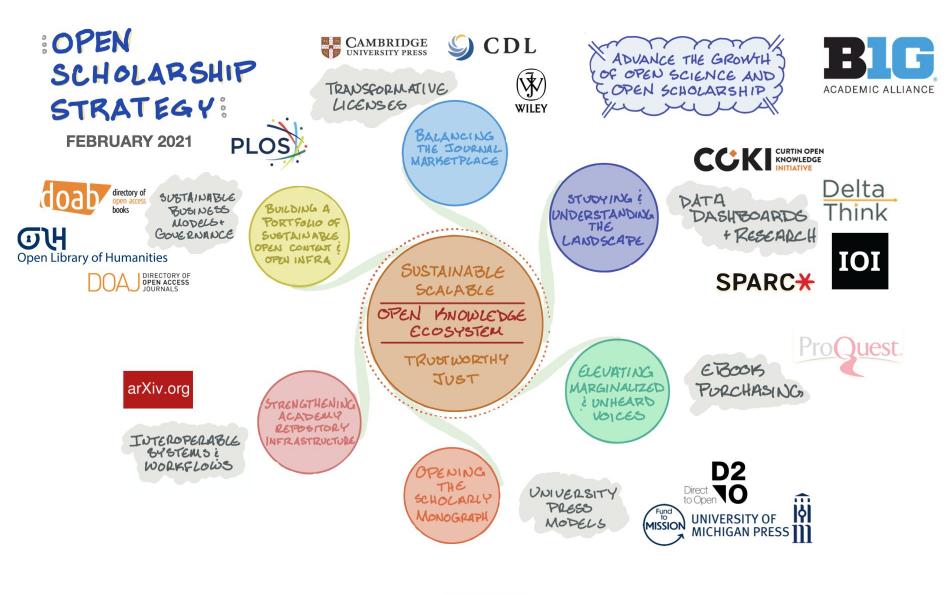


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### Guiding star... for building the BIG Collection

Contribute to building a just, trustworthy, scalable, and sustainable open knowledge ecosystem in order to advance open, more equitable scholarship.

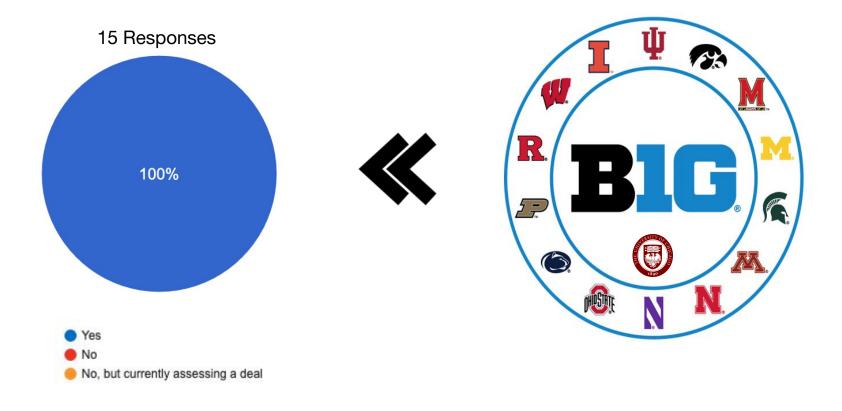






### S20 at the Big Ten Academic Alliance

At your institution, have you participated in a Subscribe to Open deal?





### S2O Deals with BTAA Institutions - a sampling...

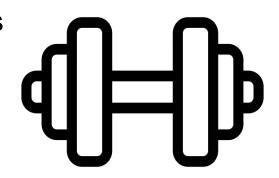
- Annual Reviews
- Berghahn Open Anthro Journals
- European Mathematical Society (select titles)
- MSP plus EMS publishers
- AIP (select individual journals)
- LYRASIS OACIP (6 journals, 2023-2028)
- LYRASIS OACIP (3 journals, 2022-2026)
- Demography journal (Duke Univ Press)
- IWAP (International Water Association Publishing)
- Astronomy & Astrophysics (EDP)
- American Society for Microbiology

- American Institute of Physics
- JCCPE (Journal of Cognition, Culture, and Evolution)
- University of Michigan Press (via BTAA)
- SCOAP3 (crowdfunding initiative for high-energy physics open access publishing)
- Knowledge Unlatched
- Berghahn Books
- EDP Sciences
- Pluto Journals
- NERL (New England Research Libraries)



### Why S20? BTAA Members' Respond

- Cost-Neutral Support for Open Access
- Support for a Diverse Portfolio of OA Models
- Stability and Continuity -> Sustainability
- Equitable Access
- Easy Decision for Existing Subscribers
- Equitable Access & Model
- Support for Institutional Interests





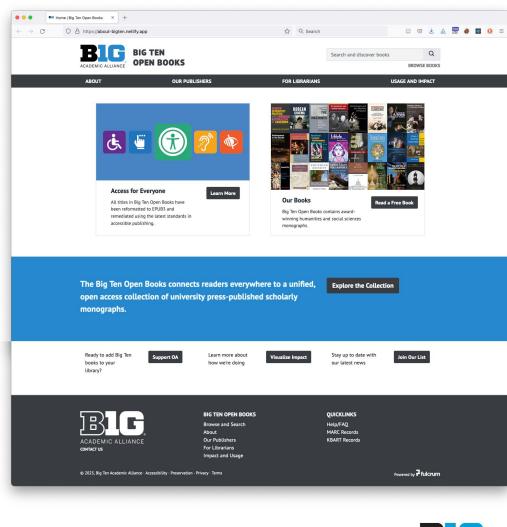
### Why it's Complicated... BTAA Members' Respond

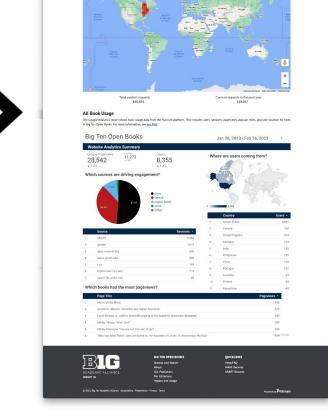
- Costs & Funding
- Uncertainty and Sustainability
- Transparency and Tracking
- Equity and Free Rider Issue
- Challenges in Assessing Impact
- Potential Publisher Manipulation
- Perpetual Access Questions





### **Big Ten Open Books**





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Breaking down the paywall: Author relationships with open access

Authors discuss the impact of Open Access on their

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What happens when ebooks are free-to-read?

In March 2020, faculty and students suddenly had to start

Usage and Impact Making an Impact

Readership Map The Readership Map repla



## Thank you



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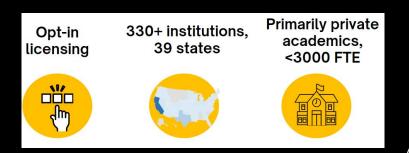




#### Background: What is SCELC?

#### Statewide California Electronic Library Consortium (SCELC)

- SCELC is an opt-in consortium, our libraries include academic, research and medical institutions, with a predominance of smaller libraries.
- Two groups of SCELC libraries: Members and Affiliates.





Average SCELC Library Collections Funding Gap (FY2021 to 2023)



#### **S2O Community of Practice**



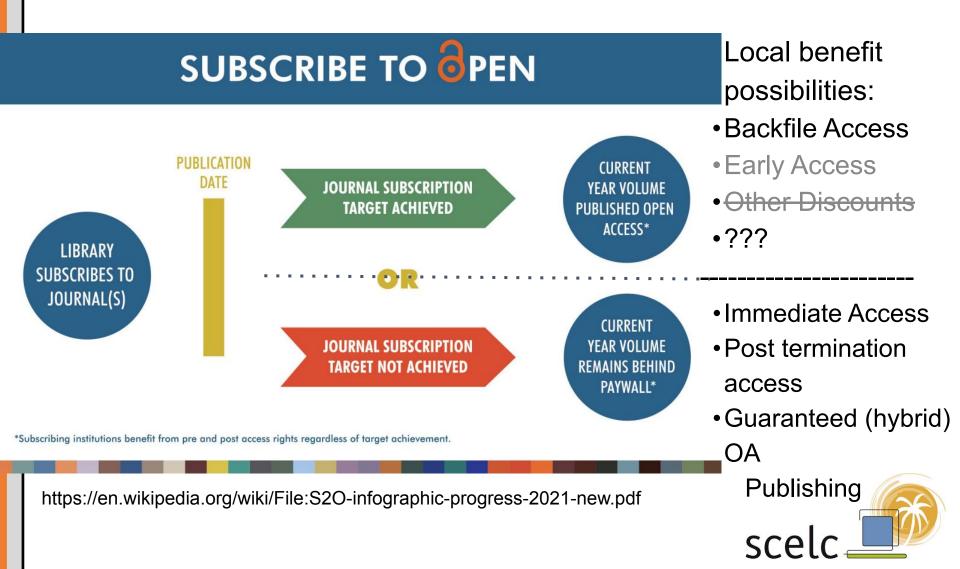
### SCELC's Open Collections Strategies

- •Broadly: focus on expanding OA usage rather than funding
- •Leverage existing *package* investments
- Leading the way on Consortial Read + Publish Agreements
  - Shift costs toward funded authors & publish institutions
- Maximize local/private benefit
- •Cautious on S2O (and any open investments)
  - can we make them indispensable for our institutions (as selfish entities) going forward?

#### **S2O Community of Practice**



### Strengths & Weaknesses: Local/Private Benefits



### **S20 Community of Practice**



### SCELC 'S2O' Participation (local benefit)

#### Journals

- Annual Reviews (access to backfile)
- Liverpool UP Open Planning (access to backfile)
- Duke Demography (access to backfile)
  - + Open Access Publish Guarantee for authors
- Coming Soon: Project Muse (access to backfile)
  - + Access to closed portion of frontfile
- •Books 'Purchase to Open'
  - MIT Press Direct to Open (access to backlist)
  - UM Press Fund to Mission/Open (access to backlist)
    - + access to closed portion of frontlist
  - JSTOR Path to Open\*
    - + ownership of frontlist [bypass 3 year embargo]



#### End slide if needed

#### **S20** Community of Practice

## Thank you!

