



Why Open Access Matters

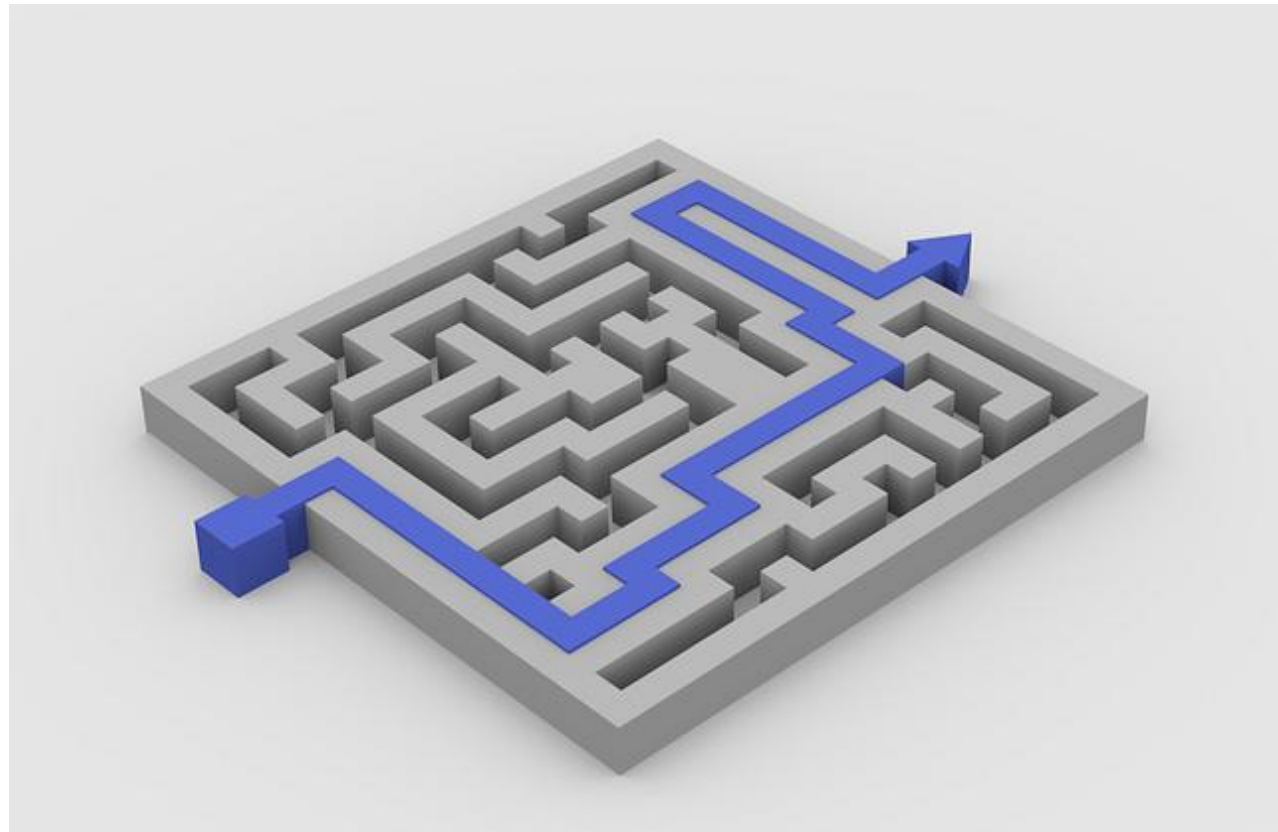
Why should I care? Our experiences from three perspectives.





Recoverable, transparent and accessible paths through the literature...

epistemic soundness - appeal to "publicity" of methods





We risk a modern incommensurability of science if our knowledge is scattered/fragmented and not always available...



Pragmatic approach - open access is easier and faster to find, use, cite...



[\[citation needed\]](#)



Grove Karl Gilbert (1886) observed,
“It is only the man of small caliber who has no
ideas to spare, and secretiveness in matters of
science is ordinarily a confession of
weakness.”



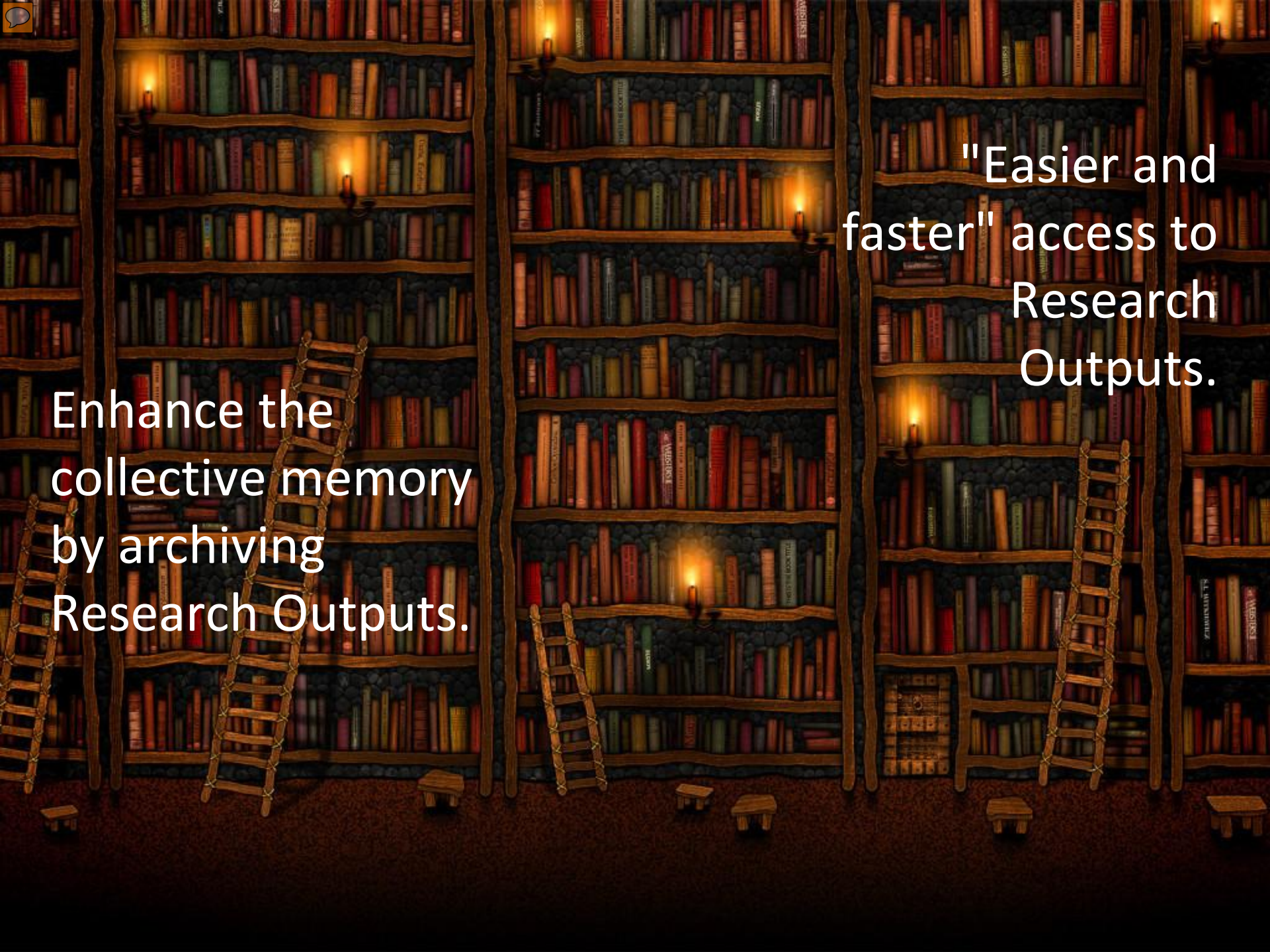


"Apart from the massive repository at Cambridge which includes nearly **200,000** items, a typical university will have between **800** and **8000** items, with only a few holding over **10,000** items." (Cullen & Chawner, 2011).

Institutional repositories
where are we up to?



Only some of the items in these repositories are



Enhance the
collective memory
by archiving
Research Outputs.

"Easier and
faster" access to
Research
Outputs.



Fewer barriers and more benefits for our researchers!



Where to next?

(big) data

Simplify deposit

Full-text indexing

Awareness raising and training

Policy and guidance



WE'RE

OPEN

WHEN YOU PROGRAM OPEN SOURCE,
YOU'RE PROGRAMMING

COMMUNISM



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WE'RE

OPEN

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