



# OPEN ACCESS SCHOLARSHIP IN THE LIBRARY LAB

Generating Interactive Online Resources  
for Faculty and Researchers

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# BACKGROUND

## Tri-Agency Open Access Policy on Publications



Social Sciences and  
Humanities Research  
Council of Canada

Canada

Conseil de recherches  
en sciences humaines  
du Canada



CIHR IRSC  
Canadian Institutes of Health Research  
Institut de recherche en santé du Canada

# BACKGROUND

## **At McMaster**

Heightened priority of Open Access

Two library systems at McMaster

Separate OA messaging from each  
system

# BACKGROUND

## The Directive

Harmonize existing content  
into a single, streamlined  
web page

Create a video

Include interactive element



# BACKGROUND

## The Team



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# PLANNING

Project management

Goals



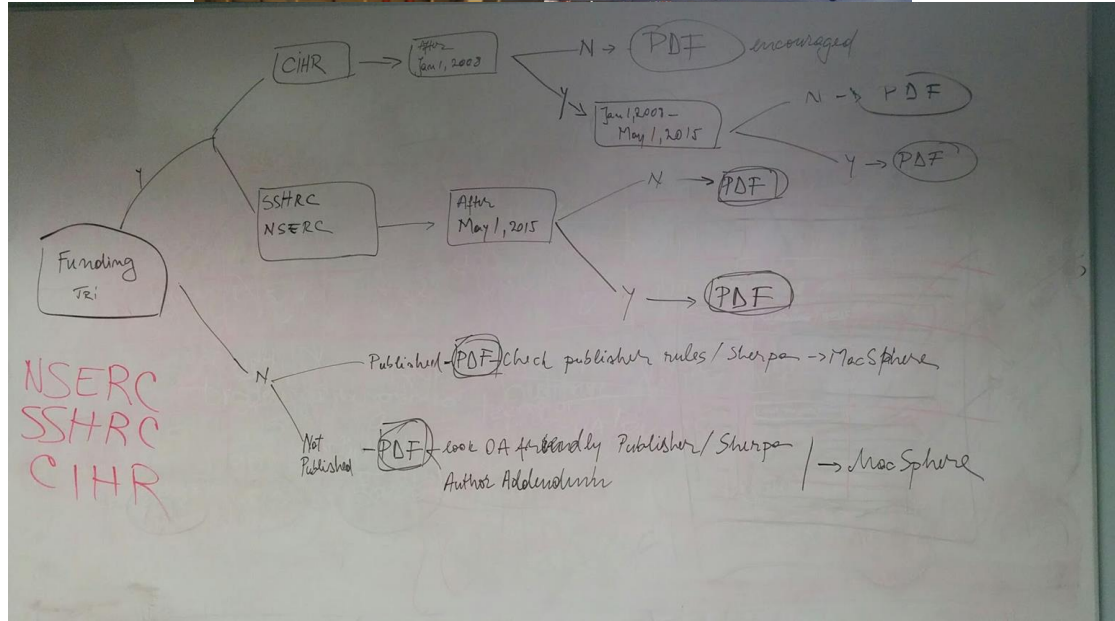
# PLANNING



## Project management

Goals

Skeletons & mock-ups





# PLANNING

## Project management

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Skeletons & mock-ups

Real-time collaboration tools



# PLANNING

## Why a cross-functional team?

Breadth of expertise

Value as professionals

Value for the libraries



# TECHNOLOGY PROCESS



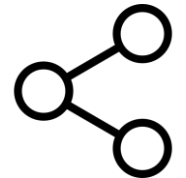
FAST / SIMPLE



LIMITED RESOURCES / SHORT TIMEFRAME



RESPONSIVE



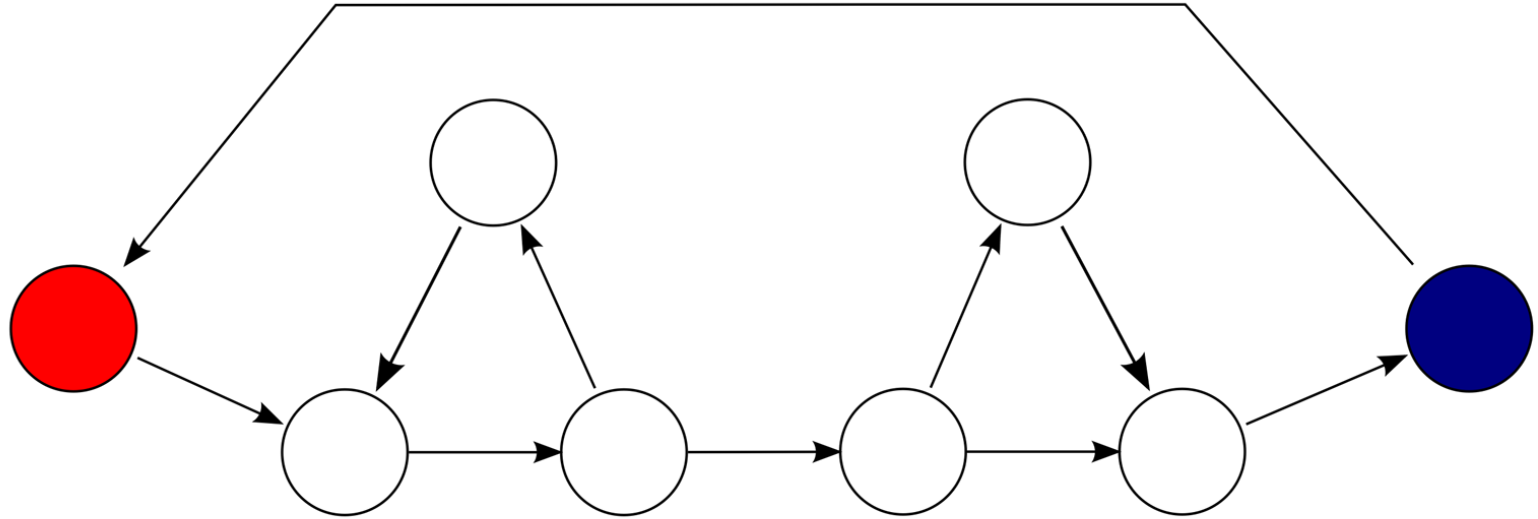
SHAREABLE

OPEN SOURCE TOOLS TO THE RESCUE!



**LimeSurvey**

# OPEN SOURCE TOOLS TO THE RESCUE!



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## Open Access Interactive Tool

### Tri-Agency Funding

\* Was the research published in this manuscript funded by NSERC, SSHRC or CIHR?

Yes  No

\* Is your article currently published?

Yes  No

Next >



## Open Access Interactive Tool

### Your Personalized Outcome

#### Your results:

You are encouraged, but not required, to: publish in an open access journal; publish in a journal that will make your article open access within 12 months of publication; or deposit your article into an online repository.



**For next steps:**  
[Download this customized guide.](#)

Thank you for using the Open Access Interactive Tool.  
[Was this helpful? Provide feedback.](#)

[Try the tool again.](#)

# OPEN SOURCE TOOLS TO THE RESCUE!



# OUTCOMES

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LIVE DEMO

# DEMO HOMEPAGE

openaccess.mcmaster.ca

## Things to note

Attention-grabbing headline that addresses **who** the page is directed to and **why** it is important

Page includes a direct link to the Policy

Page includes a brief definition of Open Access

## Open Access

### Attention Faculty & Researchers

As of **May 1st, 2015**, open access is mandated by the [Tri-Agency Open Access Policy on Publications](#)

Open access refers to scholarly research that is made freely available on the internet. In a scholarly environment, open access often focuses on journal articles.

# DEMO VIDEO

openaccess.mcmaster.ca

## Things to note

Short, snappy 1 min. video

Branded with McMaster colours  
and official library logo

Intent is to direct users to the  
tool

Used in promotions for the web  
page e.g. blog stories



**How do I comply with the Tri-Agency Policy?**

To find out, use the [Open Access Interactive Tool](#)

# DEMO GUIDE

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## Things to note

Updated and combined the content (UL and HSL)

Content arranged in 4 collapsible menus

Email link for questions

## Guide to Open Access



[Open Access Explained](#)



[Online Repositories Explained](#)



[Copyright and Open Access](#)



[Open Access Resources](#)

Questions? Email [scm@mcmaster.ca](mailto:scm@mcmaster.ca) 

# DEMO TOOL

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## Highlights

Yes and No responses

Questions are mandatory

\* Was the research published in this manuscript funded by NSERC, SSHRC or CIHR?

- Yes     No

\* Which agency funded your research?

Choose one of the following answers

- NSERC  
 SSHRC  
 CIHR

Next ▶

# DEMO TOOL

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NSERC or SSHRC

## Highlights

Title changes depending on the response

Question about the date the grant was awarded

Question about publication

**\* Was this funding awarded prior to May 1st, 2015?**

Yes     No

**\* Is your article currently published?**

Yes     No

# DEMO TOOL

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## Highlights

Question about OA

Link to SHERPA/RoMEO

\* Was your article:

• Published in an open access journal?

OR

• Published in a journal that offers free access after 12 months of publication?

Yes  No

 Not sure?

Consult [SHERPA/RoMEO](#), a database of publishers' copyright policies and a [colour guide](#) to publisher's open access and archiving permissions.

# DEMO TOOL

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## Highlights

**What do I have to do?** “Your results” is highlighted in green

**How do I do it?** “For next steps” links directly to a customized guide in PDF

Link to provide feedback

Link to go back to the tool

## Your Personalized Outcome

### Your results:

You are encouraged, but not required, to deposit your article into an online repository.



### For next steps:

[Download this customized guide.](#)

Thank you for using the Open Access Interactive Tool.

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[Try the tool again.](#)



# DEMO TOOL

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## Highlights

Downloadable, printable PDF documents

Displays 1 of 18 outcomes

Repeats “Your results”

“Next Steps” includes step-by-step instructions and links to resources

Email link for questions

## YOUR NEXT STEPS TO OPEN ACCESS...

**You indicated that you received funding from NSERC or SSHRC before May 1, 2015, so the Tri-Agency Policy does not apply to the situation you specified. Your research is unpublished.**

You are encouraged, but not required, to publish in an Open Access journal; publish in a journal that will make your article Open Access within 12 months of the original publication date; or deposit your article into an online repository.

### Next Steps:

1. If you plan to publish your research in a peer-reviewed journal, you are encouraged to select an open access academic journal or an academic journal that will make your article open access within 12 months of publication.
2. Before you publish, know your rights:
  - a. Consult SHERPA/RoMEO, a database of publishers' policies regarding the self-archiving of journal articles on the web or online repositories. You may have the right to include some, but not all, versions of your article (e.g. pre-print, post-print, or published version).

# PRELIMINARY STATISTICS\*

## OA Interactive Tool

326 people answered YES to Tri-Council funding

Of those funded, the breakdown by Agency is, as follows:

CIHR funding	83
NSERC funding	149
SSHRC funding	94

\*Revised Feb. 12, 2016



# GOING FORWARD

## What next?

Complete analysis of the Interactive Tool using LimeSurvey

Recommendations document for Library Admin

Open Access Package

Links to customized files for the video, the interactive tool and the outcomes for sharing



Q&A

THANK YOU!

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