

Preprints - the pathway to publishing innovation?

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Preprints have changed the game.

Why...

1. Embraced by the research community
2. Not upsetting the status quo*

** (yet, but they might do...)*

We have lift off...

Preprints per Month

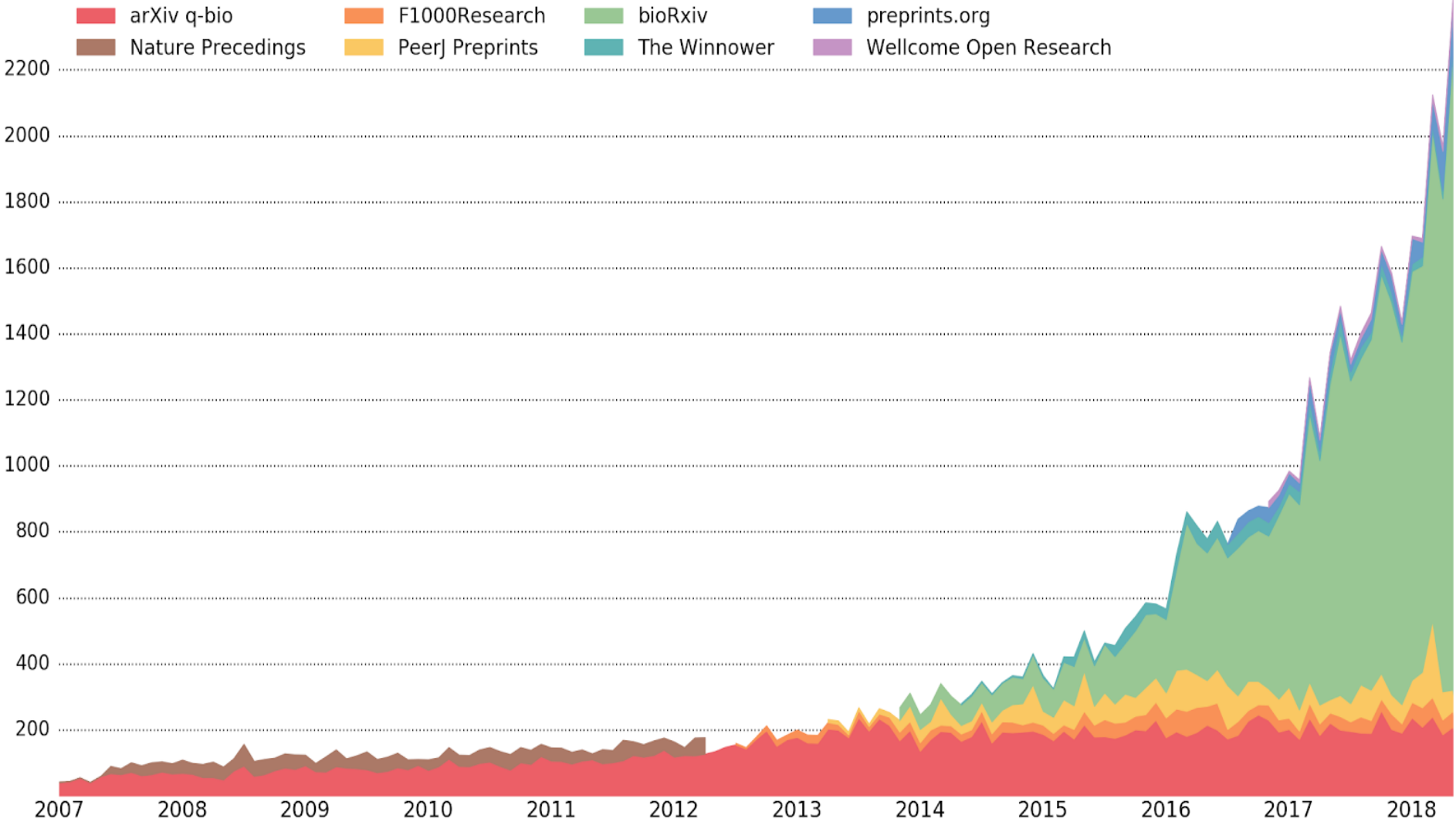


Chart by Jordan Anaya, prepubmed.org

Explosion of preprint venues



Image courtesy of Bianca Kramer and Jeroen Bosman

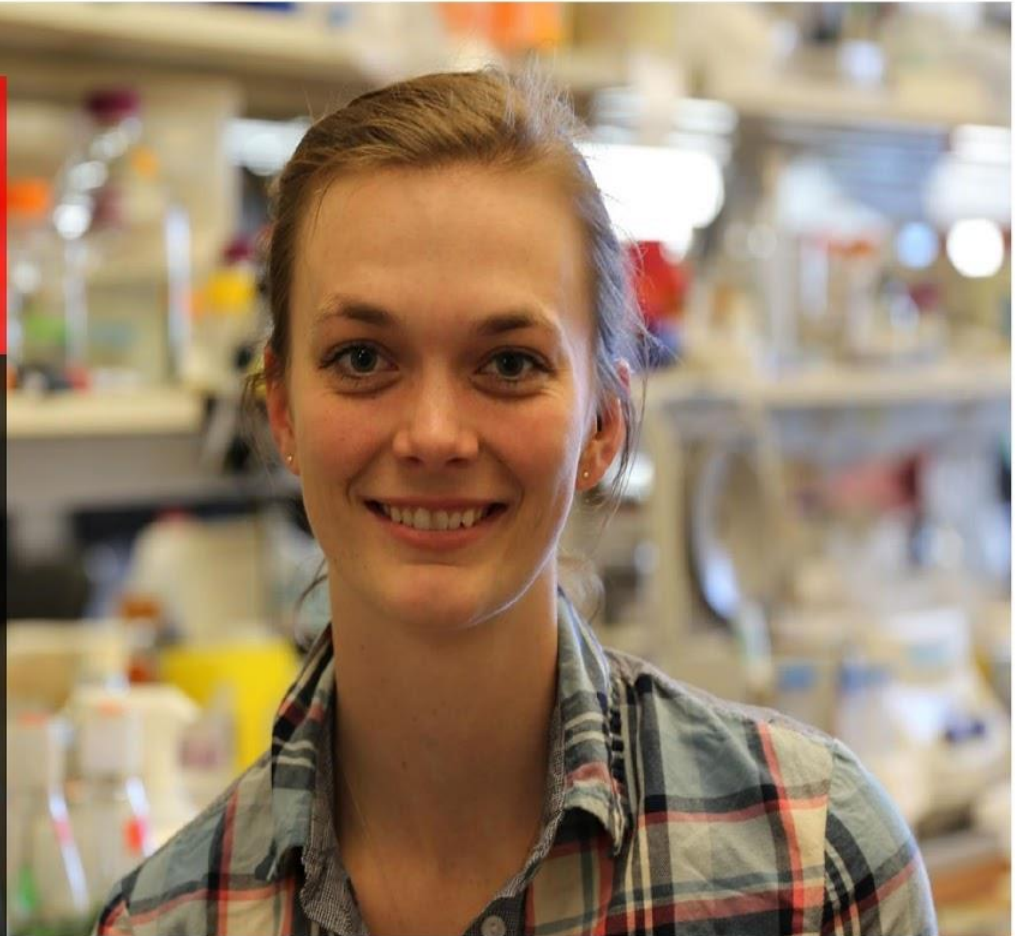
**Why are researchers
embracing preprints?**

Putting your flag in the sand

“Preprinting saved me from scooping myself.”

“While I was working to resubmit a manuscript, collaborators of mine decided it was time to submit a second paper related to the work. We had no way to reference my manuscript which laid the foundations for the second paper. Being able to submit a preprint saved me because within 48 hours I could submit my primary manuscript to bioRxiv and get a DOI for the second paper to reference.”

Steph Hays
PhD student, Harvard Medical School



Showcasing your research

"My preprint got me a faculty job."

"My preprint was the deciding factor when the UT Southwestern hiring committee was deciding whether to give me an interview or not. Once they saw my latest paper on bioRxiv, then they gave me the invitation. I'll be starting as an Assistant Professor in January."

Jeffrey Woodruff
Postdoc, MPI-CBG



Journals now go window shopping!

“I don’t have to shop around.”

“Soon after my manuscript appeared (on bioRxiv), an editor from an open access journal group contacted me saying that she would like to consider it for potential publication. [During the review process] I received another invitation letter from another open access journal editor for the same manuscript asking for the submission. So I don’t have to shop around so to speak.”

Baki Agbas
Associate Professor of Biochemistry
Kansas City University

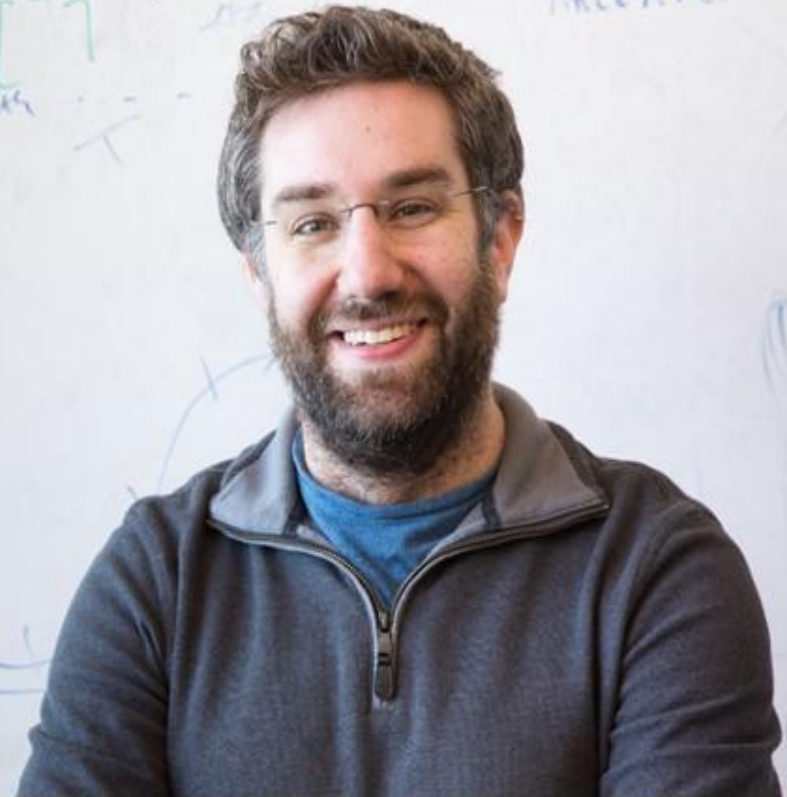


Sharing at the speed of science

**“Preprints move science
along faster!”**

“People started using our software, we got citations, and fellowship applications in a new area had credibility faster!”

James Fraser
Associate Professor, UCSF





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Noncoding deletions reveal a gene that is cr...

An intestine-critical region on human chromosome 16, and its regulation of PERCC1, a newly identified gene, is shown to underlie the [nature.com](https://www.nature.com)



Richard Sever

@cshperspectives

Siri, why do people use bioRxiv?

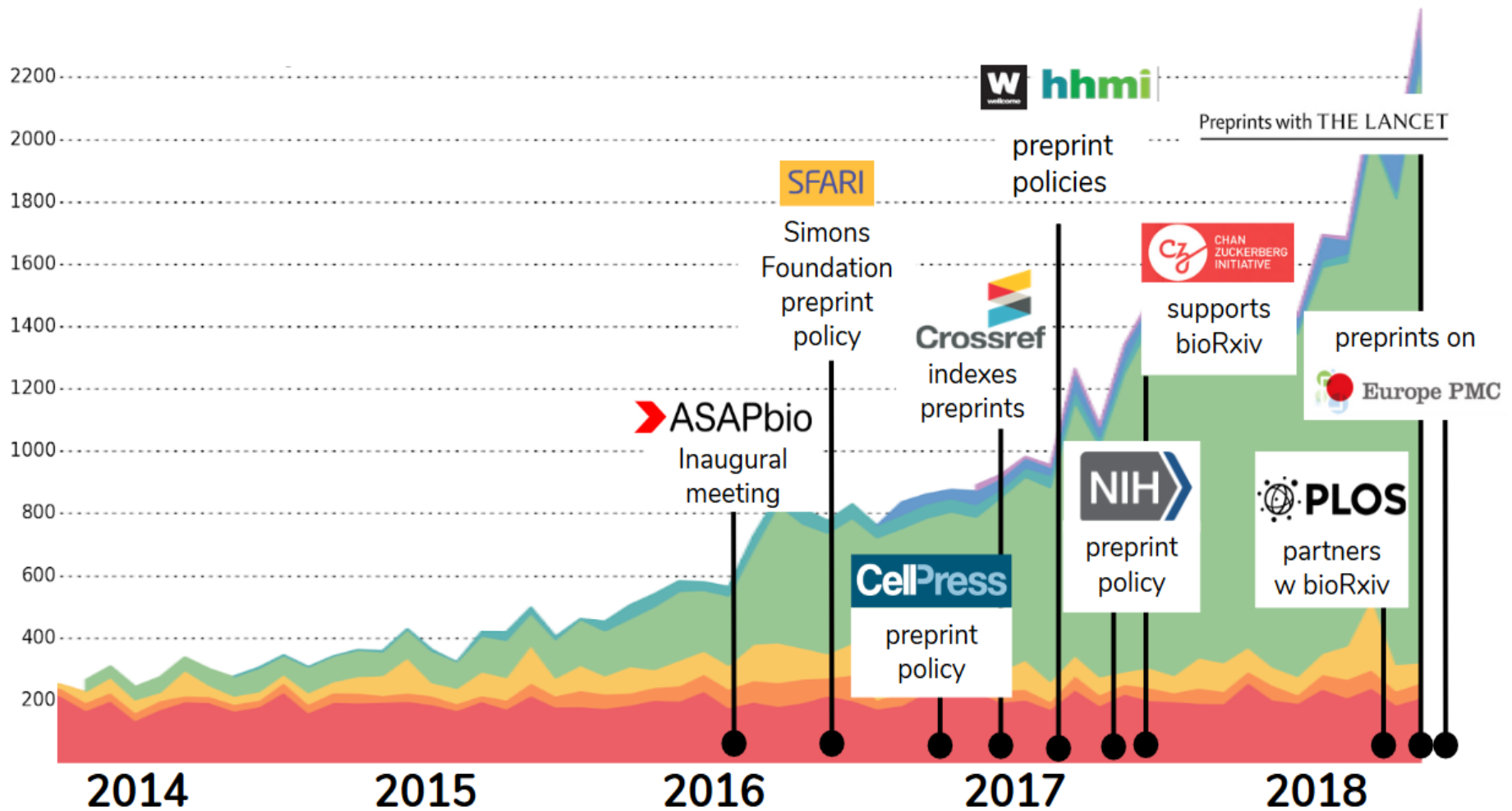


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Preprints complement the
current status quo.

All the actors playing together



Preprint and Journals – a symbiotic relationship

Direct transfer from preprint servers to journals (internally and externally)

- **BioRxiv B2J/J2B programs**
- **Publishers with their own preprint servers**

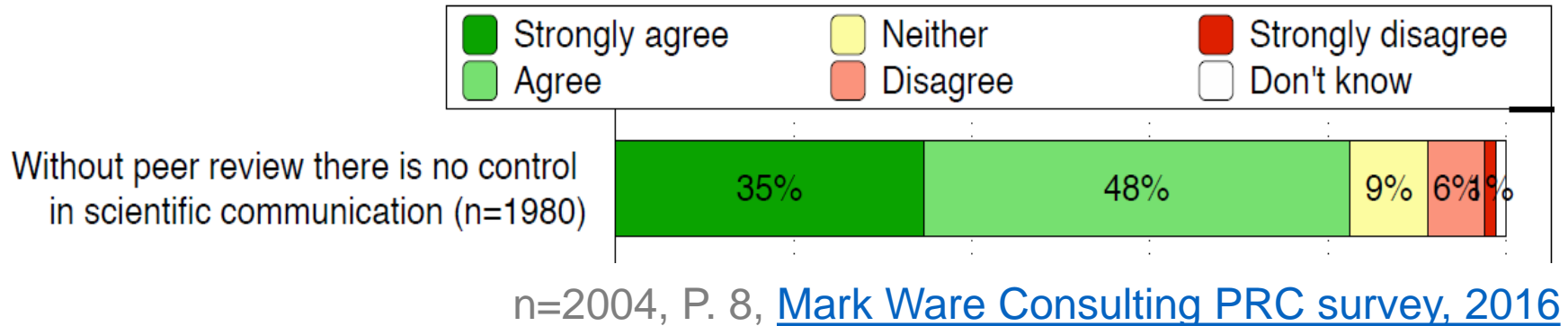
Clear journal policies about preprints are important influencers of behaviour



2/3s of preprints are published within 2 years



But... preprints don't have peer review or recognised "prestige"

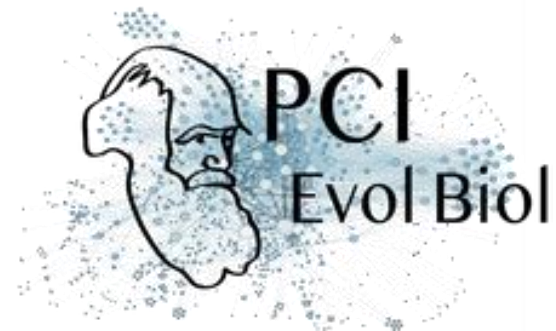


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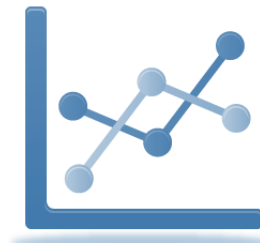
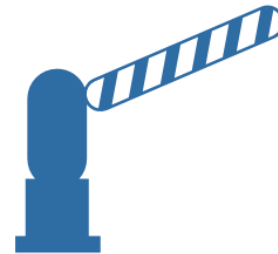


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Growth of community peer review systems



Open research publishing

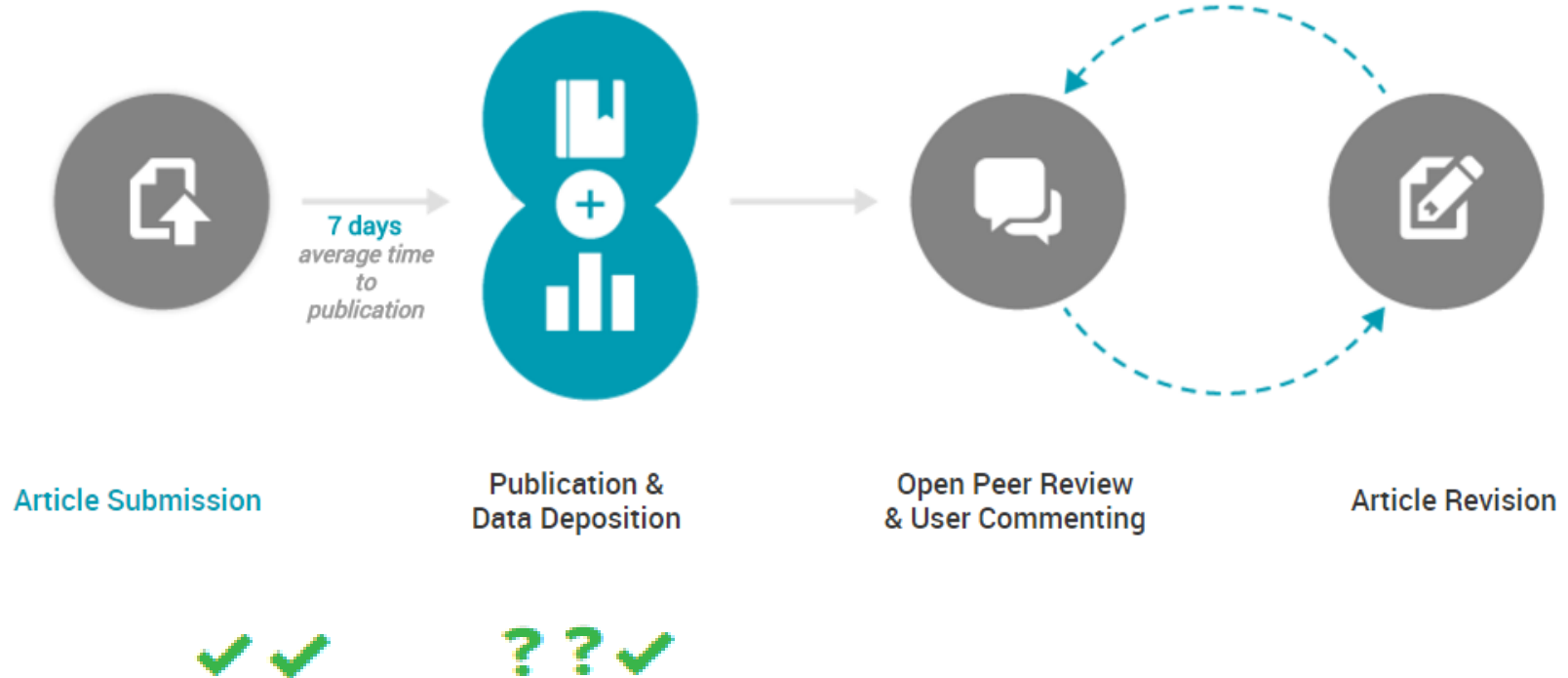


How it works:

The Publishing Process

For Articles

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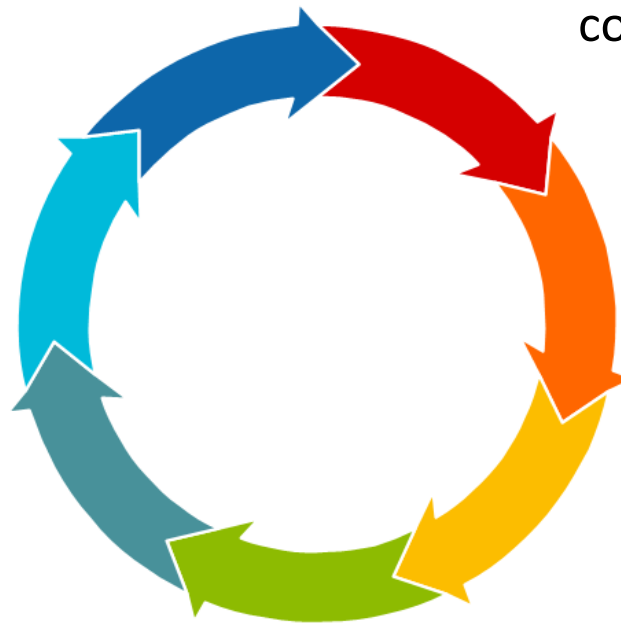


- Articles that pass peer review will be fully indexed in Europe PMC, PMC, PubMed, Scopus, Google Scholar and other bibliographical databases.

Changing requirements of funders/institutions

Demand for rapid access

Drive to open & collaborative research



Demand to accelerate impact

Drive towards open data, software and materials

Funder-based publishing platforms

The screenshot shows the homepage of Wellcome Open Research. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for BROWSE, HOW TO PUBLISH, ABOUT, BLOG, MY ACCOUNT, and SIGN IN. The Wellcome logo is prominently displayed in the center. Below the logo, the text reads "Wellcome Open Research" followed by "A new way for Wellcome-funded researchers to rapidly publish any results they think are worth sharing." A large blue button labeled "SUBMIT YOUR RESEARCH" is positioned below the text. At the bottom, there is a "Browse Articles" section with three article teasers, each dated 17 JANUARY 2017. The teasers are: "Making the most of RNA-seq: Pre-processing sequencing data with Op...", "To 'take their place among the productive members of society': Vocational rehabili...", and "Tuberculosis control in postcolonial South India and beyond: Fractured sovereignti...". The page is powered by F1000.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Open Research platform. The top navigation bar includes BROWSE, HOW TO PUBLISH, ABOUT, BLOG, MY ACCOUNT, and SIGN IN. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation logo is at the top left. A large banner features a photograph of a woman in a green and white patterned dress holding a basket of corn. The text on the banner reads "COMING SOON" in a red box, followed by "GATES OPEN RESEARCH" in large black letters. Below this, it says "A platform for rapid author-led publication and open peer review of research funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation". A blue button labeled "STAY UPDATED" is followed by a link "Read more in this blog". The page is powered by F1000.

The screenshot shows the homepage of HRB Open Research. The top navigation bar is blue and contains links for BROWSE, HOW TO PUBLISH, ABOUT, BLOG, MY ACCOUNT, and SIGN IN. The HRB logo is at the top left. The main content area features a large image of a woman pointing at a whiteboard with mathematical equations. Overlaid on this image is a white box with the text "Immediate & Transparent Publishing" in large black letters. Below this text are two buttons: "SUBMIT YOUR RESEARCH" in a blue box and "BROWSE ARTICLES" in a white box with a blue border. To the right of the main text, there is a paragraph: "HRB Open Research is a platform for HRB-funded researchers to rapidly publish their research outputs in an open and accessible way". The page is powered by F1000.

Where will we be in 10 years...

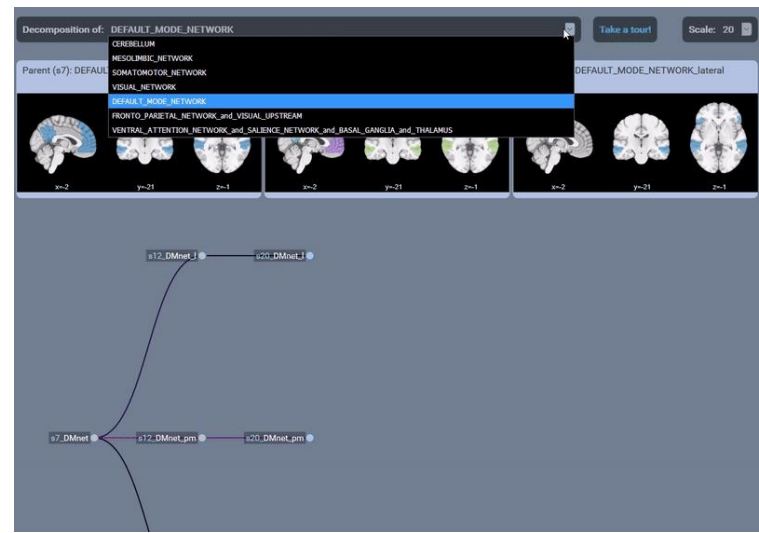


The article of the future?

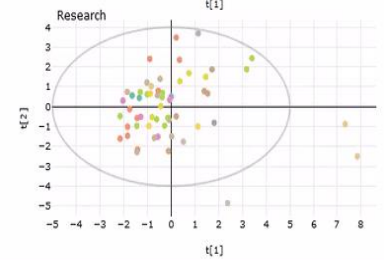
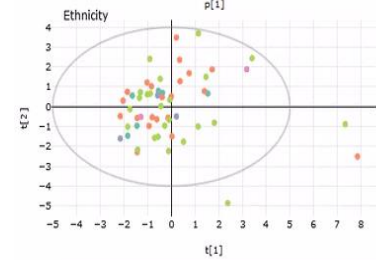
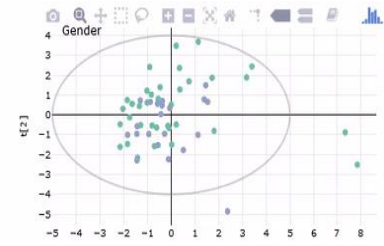
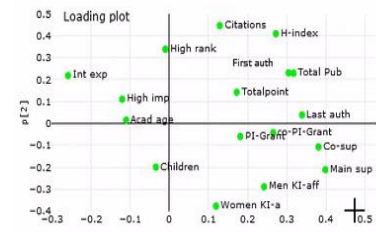
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