Unpaywall: find Open Access content easily

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Learning objectives

- Know the differences between the OA versions of a paper
- Discover how to use Unpaywall as a browser extension

Paywall ?

- This feeling of being stuck
- Paid for VS open

Open Access?

- Open Access versions of a paper *can be*, depending on the journal policy and publishers' agreement:
  - Submitted version – author's manuscript
  - Accepted version – author's manuscript reviewed
  - Published version – author's manuscript reviewed with the publisher's layout

Unpaywall

- An open database that
  - Uses reliable metadata sources (like Crossref) to find the desired paper in
  - Green OA repositories, publishers' websites, etc.
  - And that is integrated with lots of tools…

- A browser extension helping you find OA versions of publication

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Demo: Unpaywall
Browser extension

- Installation (with the example of Firefox)
- Going through the paywall (with an article that is not available from EPFL)

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Other extensions with Unpaywall's database

- Kopernio

- Open Access Button

- Safari : OA Helper

Not a browser extension: Ask your librarians !

Thank you !

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