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
This feeling of being stuck
Paid for VS open
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
- 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
Demo: Unpaywall Browser extension

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