

# Library of Health Sciences contribution to the promotion of open access

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# The Library of Health Sciences

- Established in 1996 adhering to international standards
- Includes an entirely automated collection



# Aims at

- Fostering the open access publishing
- Digitalizing the old and rare material
- Keeping up to date with the latest technological developments
- Upgrading the electronic equipment



# Fostering open access publishing

- ▶ The results of my PhD research showed that Greek biomedical scientists were uncertain about the following characteristics of open access publishing
- the funding of author charges
- the Impact Factor, the quality of peer-review process and the copyright issues of open access journals



# Users

- Students of the School of Health Sciences
- Professors
- Postgraduate students
- PhD students
- Health scientists
- Any other person interested in health related issues



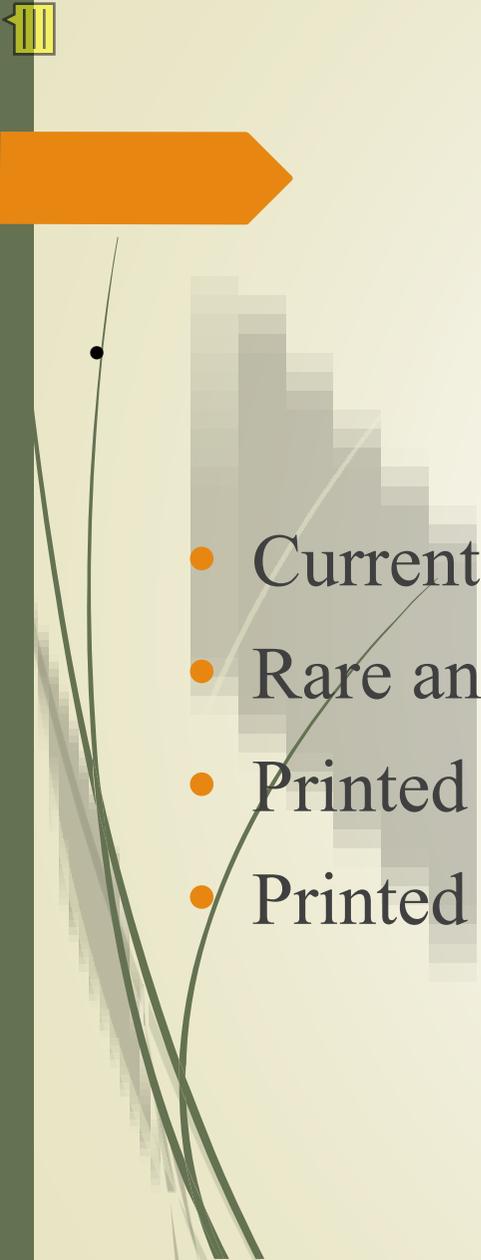
# Provided Services

- Enrichment with academic dissertations and theses the Institutional Repository «Pergamos»
- Interlibrary loan of articles and books
- Find citations through the Science Citation Index, Scopus, και Google Scholar
- Bibliographic research on certain modules



# Provided Services

- Borrowing educational material of Eudoxus
- Internet access through the wi-fi
- Use of an increasing number of computers
- Access to the information sources of the Library
- Instruction of first-year students to the use of our services



# Available Information Sources

- Current Greek and international textbooks
- Rare and old books and journals
- Printed and electronic journals
- Printed and electronic academic dissertations and theses



# Open Access : Definition

The literature that should be freely accessible online is that which scholars give to the world without expectation of payment. Primarily, this category encompasses their peer-reviewed journal articles, but it also includes any unreviewed preprints that they might wish to put online for comment or to alert colleagues to important research findings. There are many degrees and kinds of wider and easier access to this literature. By "open access" to this literature, we mean its free availability on the public internet, permitting any users to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, or link to the full texts of these articles, crawl them for indexing, pass them as data to software, or use them for any other lawful purpose, without financial, legal, or technical barriers other than those inseparable from gaining access to the internet itself. The only constraint on reproduction and distribution, and the only role for copyright in this domain, should be to give authors control over the integrity of their work and the right to be properly acknowledged and cited.

*Budapest Open Access Initiative*



# Main Means to Open Access

- Open Access Journals/Open Access Books (Gold Open Access)
- Open Access Repositories(Green Open Access)
  - Institutional Repositories such as Institutional Repository “Pergamos”
  - Subject Repositories such as PubMedCentral



# Available Open Access Information Sources

- Kallipos Repository
- PubMed
- BioMedCentral
- Openarchives.gr
- Free Medical Journals
- Free Medical Books
- Google Scholar



# Benefits from the Implementation of Open Access Policy

- The benefits we derive from implementing an open access policy are numerous:
  - Scholarly communication is facilitated because of immediate access to electronic scientific publications
  - New affiliations flourish
  - Innovation is fostered
  - Alternative research evaluation indicators are used



# Benefits from the Implementation of Open Access Policy

- Intellectual work is instantly visible to a wide audience
- New funding opportunities
- No unnecessary expenditure on research projects



# Major Actions about Open Access

- Enrichment of Digital Library “Grey Bibliography” with academic dissertations and theses of the School of Health Sciences
- Participation in the creation, development and enrichment of Institutional Repository “Pergamos”
- Information of postgraduate and phd students about the benefits from the open access to their writing activity



# Major Actions about Open Access

- Help anyone interested with the open access publishing procedures
- Detection of open access journals relevant to users' subject matter
- Update our website with bio-medical open access sources
- Organization seminars on open access publishing in collaboration with directors of postgraduate courses

# Χρήσιμες πληροφοριακές πηγές

Health Sciences Library

<http://en.health.lib.uoa.gr>

National Documentation Center

<http://www.ekt.gr/en/policies/open-access>

Repository Kallipos

<https://www.kallipos.gr/en/>

Free Medical Journals

<http://www.freemedicaljournals.com/>

Free Medical Books

<http://www.freebooks4doctors.com/>

Institutional Health Repository of Andalusia

[http://www.bvsspa.es/profesionales/descripcion\\_repositoriosspa](http://www.bvsspa.es/profesionales/descripcion_repositoriosspa)

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/?term=28005560>

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**The Head of the Library and the  
Personnel thank you for your  
participation**