Promoting Open Science in Korea: Promises and Challenges

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Backgroud

Academy

Research & HE

"Advanced Knowledge"

- Demands for research integrity and reproducibility
- Increased multi-disciplinary research and cross-border collaboration, facing global challenges and wicked problems
- Desire to speed up research process and achieve outcomes in a relatively short period

Technology/Industry

ICT

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"Digital Transformation"

- More digital data and contents that are produced by and/or used for research
- Growth of data-intensive research and innovation, and , in general, digital economy
- Digitalization of research process, tools, etc.



Open Science

Open Access Open Data Open Collaboration



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NGO

"Social Responsibility"

- Societal demands for Identifiable returns and benefits from publicly-funded research
- Requests to lessen information/knowledge gaps
- Enhanced science communication and public engagement in science

Public/ Society

General Concept & Definition

Tech/Industry

w/ digital technologies & online tools

Academy

To make scientific results and research process more openly available, replicable, and reproducible

Public/ Society

For others within and beyond the research community

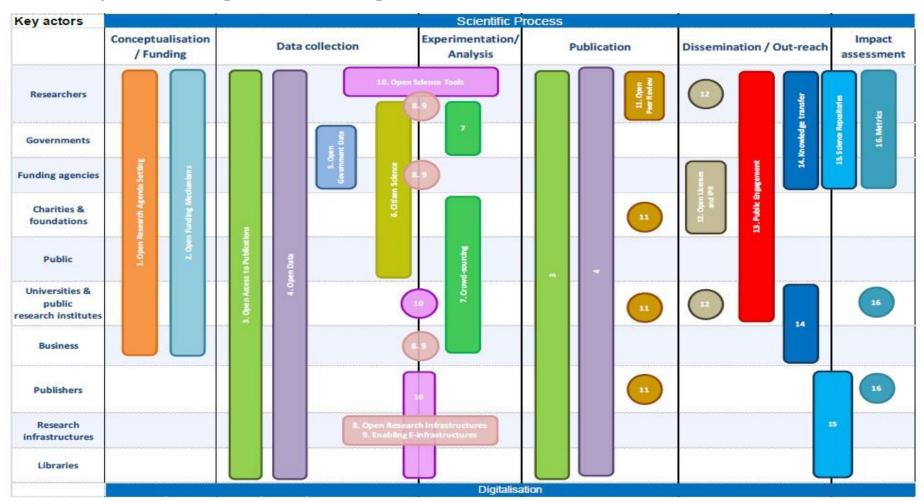
Open Science

efforts to make the scientific process more open and inclusive for all relevant actors, within and beyond the scientific community, as enabled by digitalisation



Diversified Practices

- Various activities, from open research funding to open evaluation
- May include Open Source, Open Education, Citizen Science



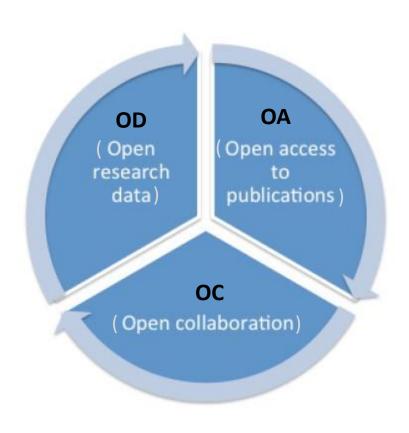
Practical Definitions

CAO (2015)	Open Access	Open Research Data	Open Research Activities		pen urce	Open nnovation	Open (Data		Open License
FOSTER (2015)	Open Access	Open Data	Open Workflow, Labnotes	Open Source	Open So Evalua		Open Sciend Tools	ce	Open Science Policies
Bosman & Kramer (2017)	Open Access	Open Research Data	Open Workflow, Labnotes	Virtual Labs	Open Source	Crowd Sourcir fundir	ng, Prof	ile,	Open / Alternative Evaluation
Dai, et al. (2018)	Open Access	Open Research Data	Open Research Infra.	Crowd- Sourcing, funding	Open research infra	Open A	Alternative Metrics	Citizen Science	Engago
EU OS Monitor (2019)	Open Access	Open Research Data	Open Hardware	E-lab notebook	Open Code	Open Licenso	Dovid		Citizen Science
UNESCO (2020)	Open Access	Open Ha	Open ordware, Open ben Lab, Source otebook	Open Evaluati			Opc		Open Educational Resources

Common Categories

Include at least three categories: OA, OD, OC

OC



OA Efforts to enhance open access to publications and make them freely available to readers and end-users (via OA journals, OA repositories, etc.)

OD Efforts to enhance access to research data and make them more usable to others (via online repositories, systematic management plans and tools, etc.)

Online research collaboration and communication activities in which researchers share their research process and outputs with others, within and beyond research communities

EC (2018) Open Science Monitor, Shin et al(2018)

Policy Efforts to Promote OS

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Open Science Policies in the World

Year	Organization	Policy or Declaration		
2002	OSI	Budapest Open Access Initiative		
2003	MPG	Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge (···)		
2007	OECD	Principles and Guidelines for Access to Research Data from Public Funding		
2011	World Bank	Open Data Portal		
2012	UNESCO	UNESCO Open Access Policy	Over 1,000 organizations	
2013	GRC	Berlin Statements on Open Access and Research Integrity		
2013	G8	Open Data Charter		
2015	OECD	Daejeon Declaration on STI Policies for the Global and Digital Age		
2020	OECD	Recommendation on Access to Research Data from Public Funding (under revision)	Research organizations (RC	
2021	UNESCO	Open Science Recommendation (in drafting process)		
		250	Funder Subunits of ROs	

Funder & ROs

ROARMAP (2020) Registry of OA Repository Mandates and Policies, http://roarmap.eprints.org



Open Science Policies by Country/Region

US (2013-)































Korea's Global Policy Dialogues w/ int'l orgs



"Daejeon Declaration on STI Policy for Global and Digital Age(2015)"

 Support the positive transformational impacts of digital technologies on research and innovation in order to promote "open science."



"Korea-OECD Workshop on Open Science(2017)"

 Discuss main achievements and challenges in emerging open science practices



"UNESCO Virtual Ministerial Dialogue on Covid-19 and Open Science(2020)"

 Reaffirm the importance of open science & international collaboration in the combat against COVID-19 pandemic

Korean Domestic Policies & Initiatives

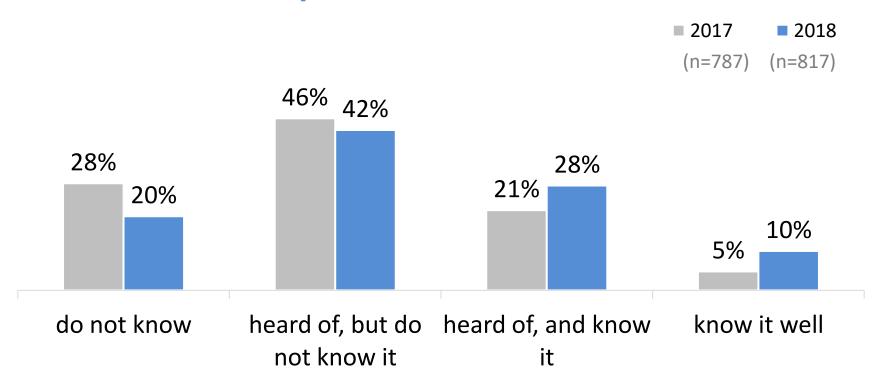
Title	Contents
Open Access Korea (2009-)	• governmental project to support OA repositories
Public deposit regulation (2006-)	 Mandate to deposit research outputs as well as basic information on the outputs of the national R&D projects to the designated OA repositories
Research Data Strategy (2018-)	• Strategy to Promote Sharing and Use of Research Data for Innovative Growth
Research Data Pilot Project (2018-)	• governmental project to support data-driven research and facilitate data sharing in a research community
Regulation on DMP (2019-)	• rules and guidelines to implement a data management plan in a certain national R&D project that is selected by the government





Researchers' Awareness

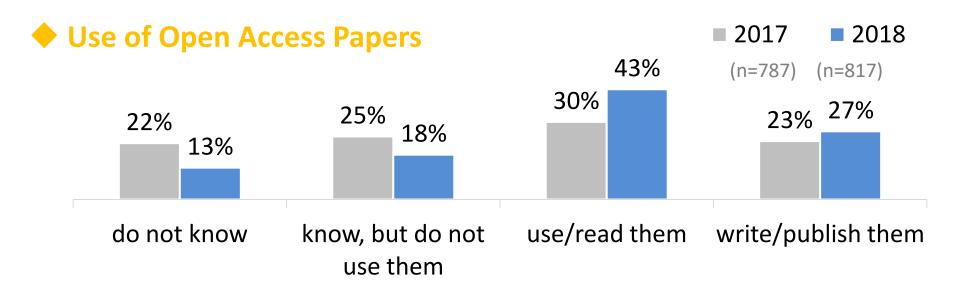
Awareness of Open Science



Source: Data from Korean domestic surveys (An et al., 2017 & Shin et al., 2018)



Researchers' Use of OA papers



Existing Access Barriers to Publications

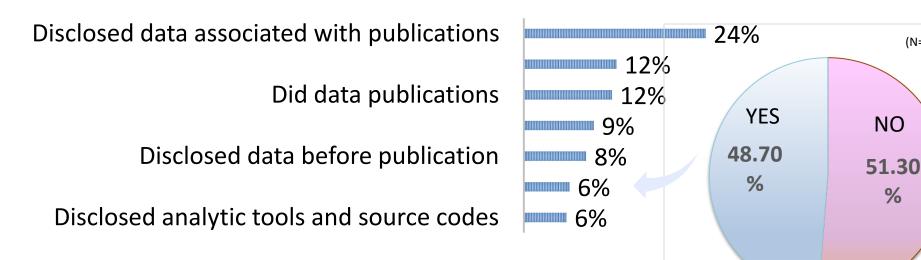
- Financial burden to pay both APCs of OA papers and subscription fees of non-OA journals
- Legal uncertainty to post self-archived publications to public access repositories
- Cognitive/organizational tendency to favor previous non-OA journals over OA ones

(N=817)



Researchers' Data Sharing

- **◆** Data Sharing with few references
- Data sharing, less popular than OA publishing
- Few references, insufficient incentives & recognition, and technical/legal burden associated with data sharing
- Unresolved concerns on data quality, privacy, security, intellectual property, and other unexpected loss/misuse of data



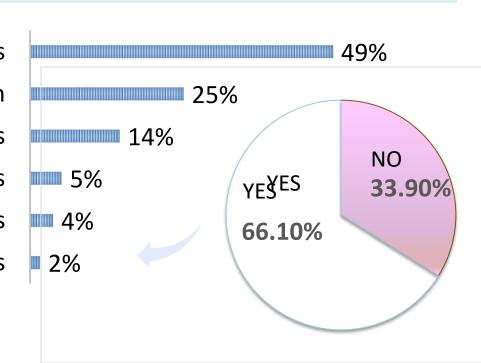


Researchers' Use of Online Tools

◆ Limited Use of Online Collaboration Tools

- Online services used mainly for information diffusion & career management
- Little done for real-time interaction/collaboration with others
- Few attempts to engage citizens in science

Used academic profile services
Used social media for research
Did open peer reviews
Used alternative metrics
Did co-analyses in virtual/digital platforms
Participated in crowd-sourcing projects





Association b/w OS Practices & Performance

Perceived outcomes of OS Practice

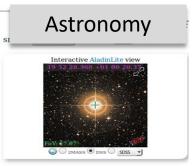
	Scientific outcome	Economic outcome	Societal outcome
Average	4.0	3.9	3.9

1 (negative) - 3 (neutral) - 5 (positive)

◆ Association b/w OS Practice and Research Performance

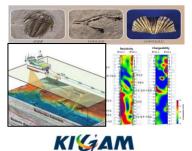
	Scientific outputs	Technical/economic outputs	Societal/Educational outputs
Awareness of OS	(++)	-	(++)
Use of OA papers	(+++)	-	(+)
OD experience	-	-	(+)
OC experience	(+)	-	(+)

Supplementary Findings from Case Studies









Geoscience Data Repository(GDR)

- Association b/w OS Practice and Research Performance
- Identified positive effects of international research data sharing on scientific discovery, scholarly publications, and student training
- Use of disclosed research data and tools as educational resources in colleges
- Potential benefits for science communication and citizen scientists



Promises, Challenges and More



Promises and Challenges (1)

- Increased Awareness and Needs for Open Science
 - More researchers become aware of open science and open access
 - Increased needs and demands for research data

Open Science Practices in Transition

- Use of open access publications, and social media for knowledge diffusion >>
 Sharing of research data >> public engagement in science
- Disclosure of research data related to published papers >> Systematic research data management

Promises and Challenges (2)

- Identified Emerging Outcomes and Outputs
 - Open Access Publications associated with scientific performance and other societal outcomes for science communication and HE education
 - Research Data Sharing within Global Research Community that induces scientific and educational achievements
 - Lack of Organizational Supports and National Strategies
 - Mostly done by individual researchers without organizational or public supports
 - * A few exceptional cases that had organizational supports for global research data sharing, resulting outstanding returns
 - Lack of a national strategy or plan to promote open science in a comprehensive way, given current policies/projects supporting open access publications and research data management respectively



Suggestions for Next Steps

- Continue to promote open science perspectives and build up national consensus on open science strategies
- Increase public support for open science practice that become acceptable to researchers and accompanied with better/more research outcomes

(e.g. global research data sharing projects, data sharing related to publications)

 Enhance access to research outputs from publicly funded projects by broadening the scope of project information disclosed and revising relevant regulatory requirements and reward systems



Recommendations for Future Directions

- Establish a national coordination mechanisms through which diverse interests and policies are reviewed, adjusted and improved in a collective way
- Identify feasible business models for open science services and encourage the private sector to develop the services
- Provide digital research infrastructure and services that fill the gap b/w researchers' demands and market supply
- Provide much needed skills and information to scientists and relevant stakeholders
- Empower people to engage in science

Thank you



Further Information

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https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/