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What is it?

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- § Services like this are being developed by academic institutions worldwide.
- § It is not a substitute for peer reviewed journals - the Eprints service has been developed to host material that has already been published.
- § Its intention is to open up the scholarly research literature in the spirit of Open Access.

What are the benefits?

Academic research is made available to the world scholarly community on a scale impossible in paper.

- § Papers will be indexed by cross repository search facilities and also found by search engines such as Google and Yahoo.
- Research is stored in a central searchable space.
- § More convenient than being distributed across many publishers' websites.
- § A link from your webpage to the Eprints service makes the full-text of your papers readily available.
- § Not only available to subscribers.
- § Available on or off site, no usernames or passwords.

Concerns?

Plagiarism

- § Open Access does not increase the probability of plagiarism any more than print publication, however Open Access does make comparison of electronic sources easier so detection of plagiarism is more likely.

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