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***When You Come to a Fork in the Road, Take It (15<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Sciences Lively Lunch) \****  
November 6, 2015

*This year's no holds barred Lively Lunch is hosted by Rittenhouse. Speakers:*

**Jean Gudenas** (Moderator), Head of Collections Management, Loyola University Chicago Health Sciences Library;  
**Ramune K. Kubilius** Collection Dev / Special Projects Librarian, Northwestern University, Galter Health Sciences Library;  
**Cunera M. Buys** E-Science Librarian, Northwestern University Library;  
**Elizabeth Lorbeer** Library Director and Chair of the Department of the Medical Library, Western Michigan University, Homer Stryker School of Medicine

*\*The Lively Lunch theme was inspired by a saying of Lawrence Peter "Yogi" Berra (May 12, 1925 – September 22, 2015)*

## **Developments**

*News and trends that occurred or were noted since Charleston Conference 2014  
(compiled by Ramune K. Kubilius)*

*Anniversaries; retirements; mergers & acquisitions; data set, OA & peer review system initiatives, challenges...*

### **2015 anniversaries**

#### **Karger: 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Projects, Events and Publications**

<https://www.karger.com/Company/AnniversaryActivities>

- **[Karger 125 – Connecting the World of Biomedical Science](#)**: This richly illustrated Festschrift chronicles the company's development and contributions in the service of medicine and science since 1890. Available as a hard cover and as a free cover-cover PDF.
- **[Publishing Highlights 1890–2015](#)**: Take a guided tour through 125 years of medical and scientific publishing! The 80+ milestone publications delineate the history of the publishing house while also illustrating the development of medicine and its subspecialties over time.
- **[Karger eBook Archive Collection](#)**: More than 2,400 pre-1996 books, a third of which are out of print, are newly available online. This completes the digitizing of the entire Karger book and journal contents since 1890.
- The **[Karger Gazette Anniversary Issue](#)** explores the STM publishing business in the digital age, offers short portraits of Karger's journal and book series editors as well as interviews with three renowned scientists about their careers and how they define progress.
- Interview **['Managing Knowledge Ever More Important'](#)** with the CEO Gabriella Karger on the strong Swiss franc, the new Karger Fund for scholarships to study Academic Management at the University of Basel and her fascination with the founder of modern anatomy, Andreas Vesalius.

#### **Sage: 50 years of independent, academic and educational global publishing.**

<https://us.sagepub.com/en-us/nam/celebrating-50-years-of-independent-academic-publishing>

### **At NLM**

**October 15, 2015:** NLM selected Ex Libris Primo Discovery and delivery solution (will replace LocatorPlus).  
**June 16, 2015:** PubMed attained a major milestone when the 25 millionth journal citation was added.  
**April 2015:** NLM's Emergency Access Initiative (EAI) activated to support healthcare professionals working on the response to the earthquake in Nepal.  
**March 2015:** After decades of extraordinary service to the NIH as the Director of NLM, Dr. Donald Lindberg retired.  
**February 2015:** New Working Group to Chart the Course for the NIH National Library of Medicine.  
**December 17, 2014:** PubMed Commons Journal Clubs launched.

## October 2015

ProQuest has announced that it will acquire Ex Libris in a deal expected to close in later in 2015

<http://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/blogs/the-scoop/proquest-to-acquire-ex-libris/>

New: **ClinicalKey for Nursing**

<https://www.elsevier.com/about/press-releases/clinical-solutions/elsevier-launches-clinicalkey-for-nursing-professionals>

McGraw-Hill Education launches Case Files Collection on AccessMedicine

<https://www.mheducation.com/news-media/press-releases/mcgraw-hill-education-launches-the-case-files-collection.html>

Springer Nature and UNSILO release pioneering new interactive Related Content service on SpringerLink

<http://librarytechnology.org/news/pr.pl?id=21094>

**“Open access is thriving at Nature Publishing Group (NPG)”**

...“63% percent of original research articles published to date on nature.com in 2015. Ten years ago, NPG introduced its first fully open access journal. Currently, NPG publishes over 80 journals with an open access option...”. one year since NPG, now part of Springer Nature, announced that Nature Communications would become its flagship open access journal...

<http://www.knowledgespeak.com/newsArchiveviewdtl.asp?pickUpID=22127&pickUpBatch=2807#22127>

The journal, *mBio*, allows a different submission pathway for fellows of the American Academy of Microbiology (AAM) The honorific leadership group within the American Society for Microbiology (ASM). Based on the National Academy of Sciences model of contributed submission, Fellows are permitted to select their own reviewers and submit their paper (along with its reviews) directly to the editor.

<http://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2015/10/13/do-academy-members-publish-better-papers/>

## September 2015

PLOS announces first increase in PLOS ONE APC (Author Processing Charge) since 2009 (to \$1,495 as of October 1, 2015).

Elsevier rolls out new journal, *Obesity Medicine*, in Elsevier's brand new electronic submission and review system EVISE®. Taylor & Francis Group has re-launched its Author Services website.

DeepDyve partnered with the German National Library of Medicine's Leibniz Information Centre for Life Sciences to give researchers access to millions of full-text articles from the center's LIVIVO portal. Scientists can pay a monthly subscription fee to view as much content as they need—even if they are no longer affiliated with an academic library

**All in:**

<http://www.knowledgespeak.com/newsArchiveviewdtl.asp?pickUpID=21977&pickUpBatch=2787#21977>

## August 2015

**Retraction:** Springer has identified more than five dozen papers that were published through manipulated peer review and is now pulling 64 papers, which were published in 10 of its journals.

<http://www.the-scientist.com/?articles.view/articleNo/43761/title/Another-Mass-Retraction/>

## July 2015

EBSCO Information Services (EBSCO) is announcing a significant investment in the library workflow with the acquisition of YBP Library Services (YBP) from Baker & Taylor.

(EBSCO is now, through the acquisition of YBP, the largest vendor to academic libraries of both serials and books.)

<https://www.ebsco.com/news-center/press-releases/ebsco-shows-major-commitment>

<http://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2015/07/13/the-gatekeeper-strategy-in-the-library-market/>

Elsevier & US National Cancer Institute Implement Reciprocal Linking Between Research Articles and Datasets

<http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/elsevier-and-us-national-cancer-institute-implement-reciprocal-linking-between-research-articles-and-datasets-512790661.html>

**Retraction:** Hindawi Publishing Corp., a New York- and Cairo-based group that oversees 437 academic journals, is now reviewing 32 published papers to investigate possible fraud, Retraction Watch reports.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/speaking-of-science/wp/2015/07/08/fraudulent-peer-review-strikes-another-academic-publisher-32-articles-questioned/>

**DataBridge:** a one-stop shop for data sets that would otherwise be lost to the public after the papers they were produced for are published. UNC Chapel Hill, North Carolina A&T State, and Harvard Universities, funded by the NSF three years ago  
<http://chronicle.com/blogs/wiredcampus/scientists-open-repository-for-dark-data/57125>

**NPG: Nature Partner Journals** <http://www.nature.com/partnerpublishing/>

a new series of online open access journals, published in collaboration with world-renowned international partners, eg.

- The npj Biofilms and Microbiomes Community was launched in July 2015 as an interactive online space...
- *npj Breast Cancer* published in partnership between the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF) and Nature Publishing Group (NPG)
- *npj Parkinson's Disease* published in partnership with the Parkinson's Disease Foundation (PDF).

## May 2015

**Merger of Springer Science+Business Media & majority of Macmillan Science and Education: new company to be called Springer Nature**

[http://www.researchinformation.info/news/news\\_story.php?news\\_id=1904](http://www.researchinformation.info/news/news_story.php?news_id=1904)

**Nature survey of Nature's recent survey of some 21,000 authors: of those surveyed, 25% reported that, "they did not know their funder's requirements with respect to open access."**

[http://figshare.com/articles/Author\\_Insights\\_2015\\_survey/1425362](http://figshare.com/articles/Author_Insights_2015_survey/1425362)

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**Researchers Remain Unaware of Funding Agency Access Policies**

[http://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2015/08/20/researcher\\_remain\\_unaware/](http://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2015/08/20/researcher_remain_unaware/)

<http://blogs.cornell.edu/publicaccesshelp/>

**eLife Lens** (<http://lens.elifesciences.org>) improves the reading and use of scientific articles by making it possible to explore figures, figure descriptions, references, and more without losing your place in the article text. (As of 2015, offers access to all content published by eLife, and has been piloted by six publishers through HighWire)

## April 2015

**ProQuest has signed an agreement to acquire Coutts Information Services from Ingram Content Group**

<http://www.proquest.com/about/news/2015/ProQuest-to-Acquire-Coutts-Information-Services-and-MyiLibrary-from-Ingram-Content-Group.html>

**Elsevier updates its article-sharing policies**

<https://www.elsevier.com/connect/elsevier-updates-its-policies-perspectives-and-services-on-article-sharing>

**HW: launch of its latest product, Stackly** (Stackly.org), a web-based toolset for content collection, organization, storage, and peer-to-peer collaboration.

<http://library.stanford.edu/news/2015/04/highwire-launches-stackly>

**The total number of institutional or funder OA policies worldwide is now 663 (March 2015), over half of them mandatory**

<http://eprints.soton.ac.uk/375854/>

## March 2015

**The new Contributor Role Taxonomy, or CReditT Taxonomy**

The Wellcome Trust: working with technology company Digital Science, publishers, research funders and universities to introduce a new way of classifying the roles of individuals in academic research...give credit where it is due, reduce author disputes and remove disincentives to collaboration and the share of data and code.

<http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/News/Media-office/Press-releases/2015/WTP058938.htm>

**Department of Defense (DoD) released a “draft plan”** outlining steps it will take to establish policies to ensure public access to articles and data resulting from its funded research.

<http://www.sparc.arl.org/blog/dod-releases-draft-public-access-plan>

### **February 2015**

**The American College of Chest Physicians announced it would be ending decades of self-publishing: its well-known journal *CHEST* will be published by Elsevier in January 2016.**

<http://www.chestnet.org/News/Press-Releases/2015/02/Elsevier-Announcement>

**Two Longtime Members to Serve as Interim Executives for SLA**

<https://www.sla.org/two-longtime-members-to-serve-as-interim-executives/>

### **January 2015**

**Carla J. Funk, CAE, Hon. FCLIP, retired as executive director of MLA on January 16, 2015, after almost 23 years of dedicated service to the MLA community.**

MLA News 55(1):1, Jan. 2015.

### **December 2014**

**In a Move Toward Open Access, ‘Nature’ Allows Widespread Article Sharing**

<http://chronicle.com/article/In-a-Move-Toward-Open-Access/150311/>

**Wolters Kluwer Health** has announced that Lexicomp® Online™, its hospital-wide referential drug information solution, now includes ... Facts & Comparisons® Off-Label database and VisualDx® drug eruption content.

<http://www.knowledgespeak.com/newsArchieviewwdtl.asp?pickUpID=20607&pickUpBatch=2590#20607>

### **November 2014**

**OTSP: Progress on Increasing Access to the Results of Federally Funded Scientific Research** (*policy memorandum, 2013*)  
Progress since March 2014 in developing and implementing policies on increasing public access to the results of federally funded scientific research.

[http://www.stm-assoc.org/2014\\_11\\_13\\_Public\\_Access\\_Report\\_to\\_Congress\\_OTSP.pdf](http://www.stm-assoc.org/2014_11_13_Public_Access_Report_to_Congress_OTSP.pdf)

**November 2014 marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the launch of *Nature Reviews Cardiology*, *Nature Reviews Clinical Oncology*, *Nature Reviews Gastroenterology & Hepatology*, and *Nature Reviews Urology*.** To celebrate this milestone, we present special Anniversary issues that include Decade in Review articles, Viewpoint articles, infographics, and a list of each journal’s top-cited articles per year.

<http://www.nature.com/content/NatureReviews/NRCardio2014/index.html> etc.

**SLA and Janice R. Lachance announce Lachance’s departure as CEO**

<http://bit.ly/sla-ceo>