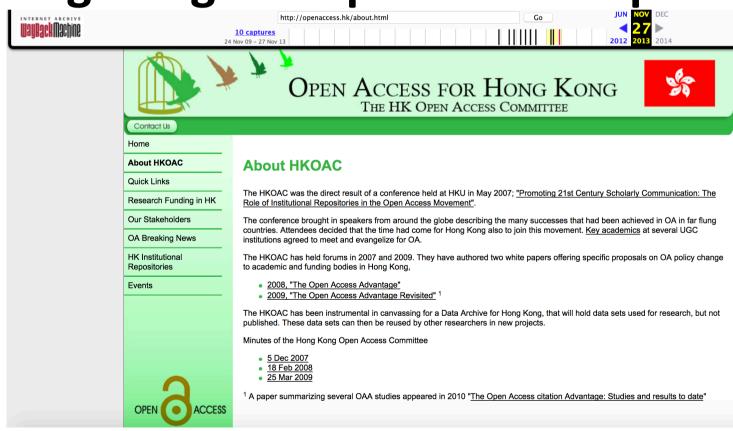


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Asia Open Access Summit 14th November 2016



Hong Kong: an Open Access update



Asia's Academic City?

UGC Policy: "Realization of making Hong Kong Asia's world city is only possible if it is based upon the platform of a very strong education and higher education sector."



8 Universities, many ranked top 50 worldwide

100K students (UG/PG/FT/PT)

QS World University Rankings 2015/16							
2015	2014	Institution	1				
1	1	MIT (US)					
2	4	Harvard (U	S)				
3=	2=	Cambridge	(UK)				
3=	7	Stanford (U	IS)				
25	47	Tsinghua U					
28	40	HKUST					
30=	28	HKU					
51=	46	Chinese U					
57	108	City U					
116	162=	Poly U					
281	318=	Baptist U					
601-650	601-650	Lingnan U					
Source: www.	TopUniversit	ies.com	SCMP				

1 major research funder (UGC/RGC)



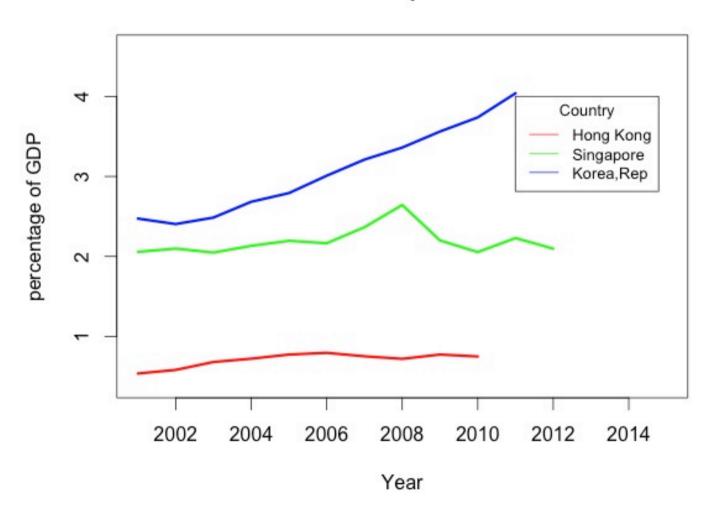
Grant budget = \$17.5 BN HKD/yr (\$2.3BN USD)

http://www.ugc.edu.hk/eng/ugc/policy/policy.htm

Data: WorldBank

R&D spending in HK amongst lowest in Developed World

R&D spend



Hong Kong's focus...

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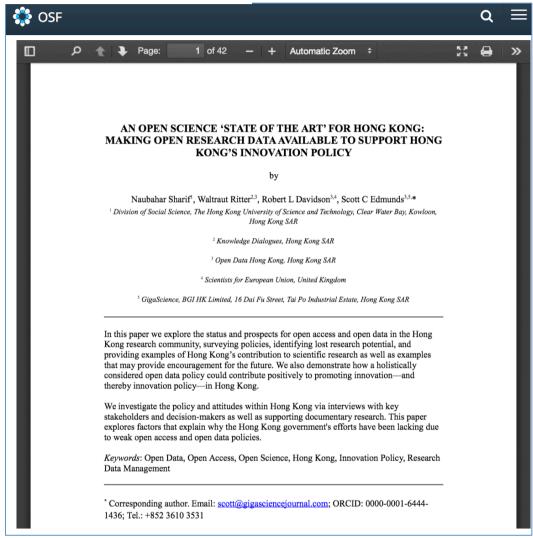
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Open Science (Open Access & Open Data) survey of Hong Kong



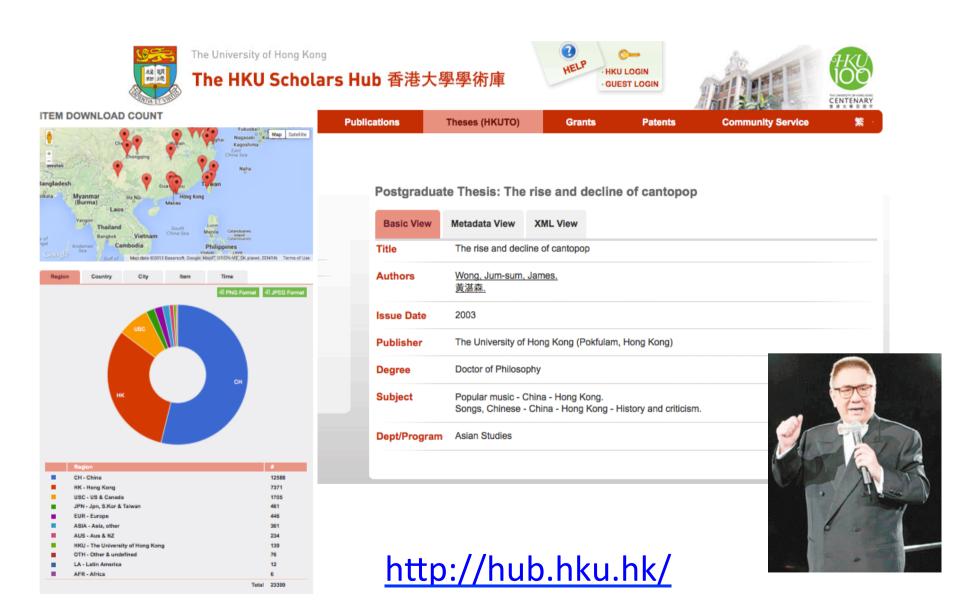
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Science & Technology players in HK

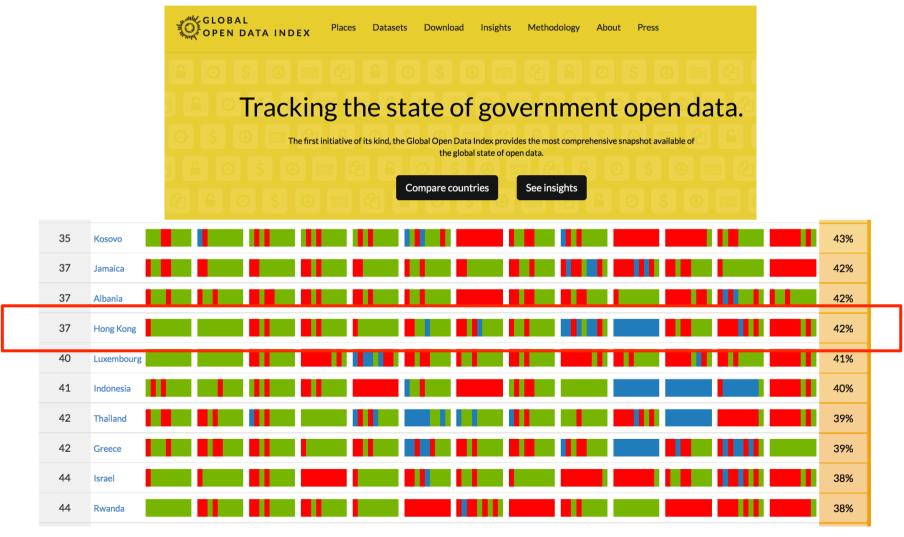
Researched policy, collected case studies, FOI, interviewed many key players (funders, libraries, administrators...)

Political forum Legislative Co			cil (LegCo)				
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HK: good with some parts of open...

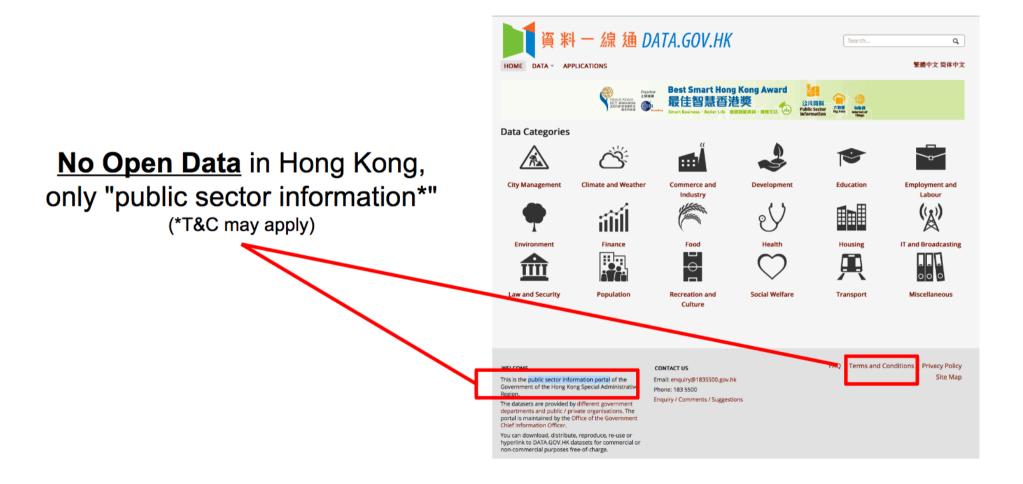


HK: bad with the rest...



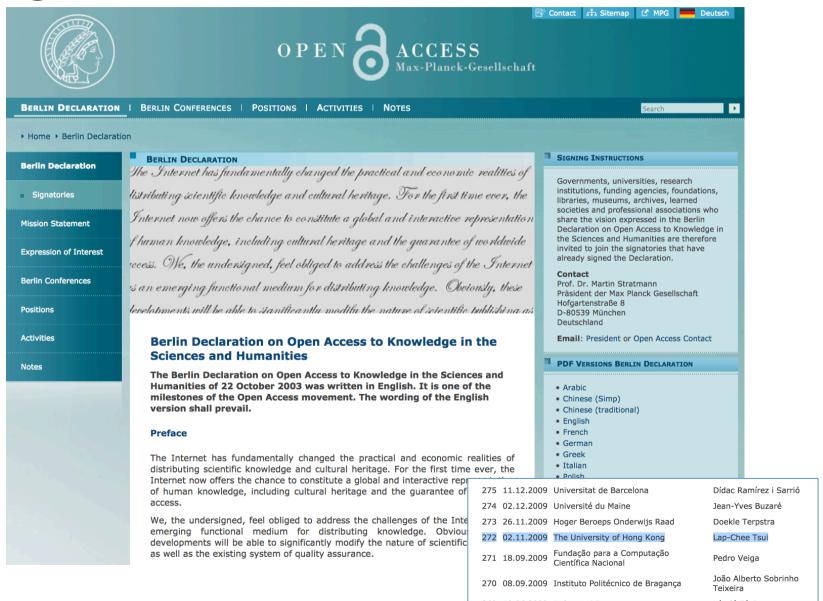
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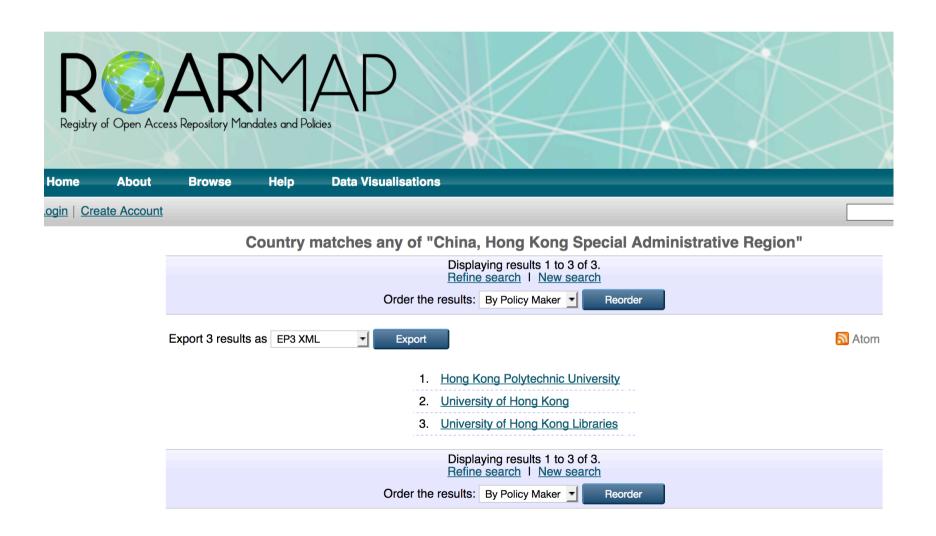


https://data.gov.hk

Signatories to Berlin OA Declaration



OA Policies in Hong Kong



Hidden at the back of RGC guidelines

Public access of publications resulting from research funded by the RGC

- (a) Upon acceptance of a paper for publication resulting from the work done on a research project funded in whole or in part by the RGC, the Hong Kong PI should check whether the publisher already allows (i) full open access to the publisher's version, or (ii) the author's depositing a copy of the paper (either the publisher's version or the final accepted manuscript after peer-review) in the institutional repository for open access;
- (b) if both (a) (i) and (ii) are not allowed, the Hong Kong PI should request the publisher's permission to place either version in his/her institutional repository for restricted access immediately upon publication or after an embargo period of up to twelve months if required by the publisher; and
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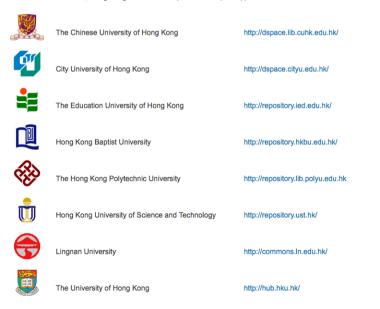
http://www.ugc.edu.hk/eng/doc/rgc/form/srfdp sr2.pdf

IR: infrastructure is (mostly) there



Institutional repositories

All JULAC libraries maintain institutional repositories or digital archives to collect, show case, preserve and disseminate the intellectual output of their institutions in digital format for perpetual access. All JULAC libraries institutional repositories and digital archives are harvested and can be cross searched at HKIR, Hong Kong Institutional Repositories http://libapps.ust.hk/hkir/



http://www.julac.org/?page_id=79

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No policies, Mo' problems



The two students, who allegedly manipulated the results of the experiments, were earlier found of

not guilty by a disciplinary committee formed by the university.

Retraction Watch Tracking retractions as a window into the scientific process JACS imaging paper "under editorial review" Subscribe to Blog via with 5 comments Join 12,919 other subscribers The Journal of the American Chemical Society has issued an Email Address expression of concern over "the presentation of results" in a Subscribe 2014 paper about a new probe for use in imaging. **Pages** We haven't heard back from the journal nor the authors of the paper, so there's not much we can officially say about what the Help us: Here's some of what we're working on journal is investigating. How you can support Here's the text from the expression of concern: **Retraction Watch** Meet the Retraction Watch This publication is currently under editorial review. The journal has been alerted to concerns over the presentation of results described in this article. Its status will be updated upon completion of the About Adam Marcus About Ivan Oransky The Center For Scientific The paper has been cited 12 times, according to Thomson Scientific's Web of Knowledge. **Board of Directors** One person who has raised concerns about the paper is Roger Wong, who used to work at Hong Kong University with I raction Watch FAO. ig comments policy We got etraction Watch look at parency Index raction Watch After Wong acqu Tissues." he bec 0 most highly cited some of the ima 1 December 2015 Wong said he ar raction Watch Store HKU's Academic ng Retraction Watch The University of Hong Kong

You have asked me to write a summary of my findings to the Investigation Committee in regard to the alleged data falsification claim made against Professor D Yang for a publication in JACS. I remind the committee that my brief was to examine the raw data metafiles taken using a Zeiss LSM510 microscope, a model that has been in routine use in my own laboratory for many years.

The first set of image files you sent to me were unremarkable, other than they represent the raw files produced by Professor Yang's research team, specifically Dr R Wong, as part of a claim of malpractice.

I examined the images and the accompanying metafiles in detail and noted that different degrees of laser intensities were recorded for a number of images later used in the JACS publication. In my summary of 29th September I informed you that:

- 1. The software controlling the image capture and storage used by Zeiss on the 510 laser scanning confocal microscope is one I and members of my laboratory have used routinely for many years.
- Each acquired image comes with a locked metafile giving details of the settings used to obtain the image.

Q: How much is spent on Open/Closed Access in HK?



Dear Mr. Edmunds,

Thank you for your email dated 27 April 2014.

Please be informed that the requested information is not maintained in our database system. In addition, as the bulk of the University Grants Committee's recurrent grants are disbursed to institutions in the form of a block grant to provide institutions with flexibility in internal deployment, we do not possess the information on funding / spending for journal subscription. Since the requested information does not exist in our Department, you may wish to approach institutions directly on your request.

Regards, University Grants Committee Secretariat

A: Nobody has any idea!

https://lists.okfn.org/pipermail/open-access/2014-May/001888.html



Only policy that counts...

Research papers

1. Academic staff will get the following grade for this component according to the number of research papers published (as corresponding author) per year:

Grade	Number of research papers published (as corresponding author) per year
Α	[1 Grade A+ and 1 Grade A]
	or [1 Grade A++ paper]
В	2 Grade A papers
C	1 Grade A or 2 Grade B papers
D	less than 1 Grade A or 2 Grade B papers

- 2. As an alternative path to achieve an "A" grade (Excellent/ Outstanding) in this component, an academic staff can provide one exceptional item related to research for assessment. This exceptional item should be big enough to replace the 1 Grade A++ paper (per year).
- 3. The updated University Journal List (UJL) PolyU Grade A paper is defined by the RO's official "Performance-based Research Resource Allocation Model". The University's Consolidated Journal List has been developed for use in the Performance-based Research Resource Allocation Model. Please click the following web site for the University's Consolidated Journal List:

https://www2.polyu.edu.hk/ro/Staff/homepage/newRO414.html

The updated UJL will be used. This is an updated list of journals (with reviews removed) for different categories (research fields) based on the Journal Citation Report (JCR) 2010 (the current version).

4. A Grade A++ paper is defined as the top 5% journal paper in the corresponding category listed in the updated UJL; Grade A+: top 10% papers in the corresponding category; Grade A: top 20% papers or papers with Impact Factor ≥ 5; Grade B: top 20-50% papers.

This could never happen in Hong Kong, right?



"While we are rightly proud of Hong Kong's highly regarded and ranked universities system, we are not immune to the same pressures. While funders in Europe have moved away from using citation based metrics such as JIF in their research assessments, the Hong Kong University Grants Committee states in their Research Assessment Exercise guidelines that they may informally use it."

1. http://www.scmp.com/comment/insight-opinion/article/1758662/china-must-restructure-its-academic-incentives-curb-research

This is happening in Hong Kong!







JIF 2 = \$8,000 USD JIF 5 = \$15,000 USD

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Science & Technology players in HK

Who needs to provide leadership?

What new infrastructure do we need?

Political forum Legislative Council			cil (LegCo)				
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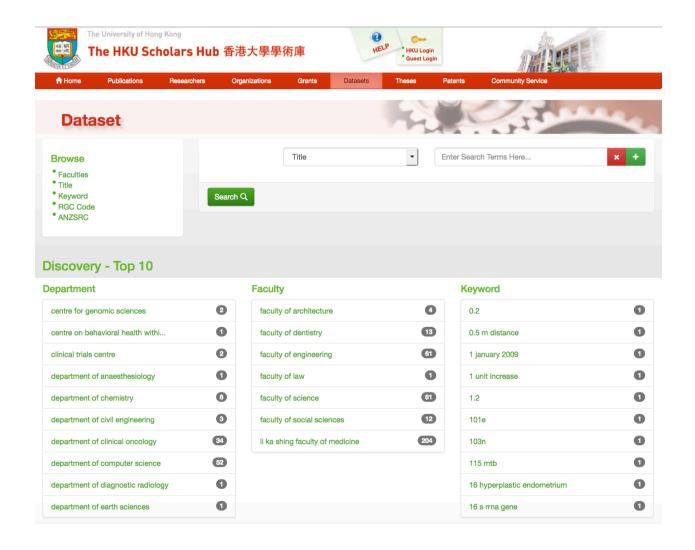
New "HK Data Service", stewardship & platforms

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R&D Centres ASTRI				CO	mmercial			
	Data Curators & Stewards (Libraries, OGCIO, Data Studio@SP)							
Facilitators	НКРС	HKTDC	HKSTPC	Cyberport	HKIB		cloud	
Data Disseminators (HARNET, data.gov.hk, "HK Data Service")								
Commercialization Agents Busin		Business Enterprises		New High Tech Ventures		Multination	Corporations	
Downstream Users (Researchers, Innovators, Citizens)								

If Government doesn't act, we (Uni policy, librarians, researchers, citizens...) need to lead way



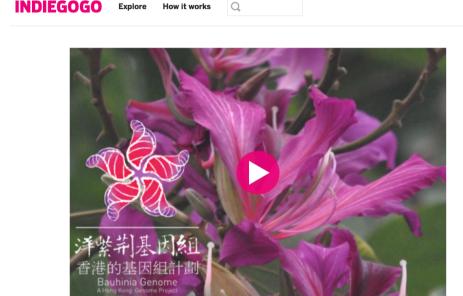
First CRIS in HK, built upon ScholarsHub



http://hub.hku.hk/advanced-search?location=crisdataset

Open Science: driven by grass (or Bauhinia) roots

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START A CAMPAIGN

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The First Emblematic Genome Project for Hong Kong, by Hong Kong



\$2,608 USD raised by 49 backers

26% of \$10,000 flexible goal











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The cost to Hong Kong of not doing this?



HK UCG grant budget = \$17.5 Billion HKD/yr (4% of Gov spending)

Taking lowest reported reproducibility rates (11%) = >\$15 billion wasted1

- Estimates lack of citation impact not being OA = 50% (\$8.75B?)²
- How much is the HK taxpayer losing through missing out on potential collaborations, wider engagement & unrepeatable work?

Questions?

- Are these sorts of surveys useful, and if so, how best can we use them to promote change?
- What else can we do to drive Open Access(/Data/ Science) if the funders don't care?
- How can we keep momentum/enthusiasm in OA community when progress seems slow?
- Progress in US and Europe driven by a few big players like NIH/EU. Are there any equivalents in Asia who can show leadership?