



# Institutional Repositories

## Collection Issues



The University of Winnipeg  
Library and Information Services

eCommons

# ○ ● ● Commitment

- Implementing an IR requires a big investment in *Commitment*
  - to maintaining a collection of institutional documents
  - to educating community

# ○ ● ● What Kind?

- Three main types of IR
  - Research/documents
  - Learning Objects
  - Data collections
- Could use same system for all

# ○ ● ● What Content?

- Key decision (& one of the more difficult) is what to put in the IR
- ePrints? theses? conferences? data? admin records? all?
- Also a moving target, don't assume a final decision

# ○ ● ● Who to Deposit?

- Depositing in an IR will not be primary goal of busy academics
- Consider role of Library in maintaining AND filling
- Advantages to controlled deposit

# UofW eCommons

- “eCommons::Research is an Institutional Repository for use by University of Winnipeg staff and students, as well as Community groups and individuals conducting research with, or of interest to, the University.”
- University Librarian is the driver
- Not intended to be a LOR

# UofW Philosophy

- Key components of the project are access, archiving, *education*
- Want community to think about digital documents and scholarly publishing and discuss
- Community need will help determine policy and direction

# Types of Items

- Represents output of Research
- eCommons::Research will accept
  - journal/magazine/newspaper articles (pre-prints, post-prints), peer-reviewed and non-peer reviewed
  - monographs (complete monographs, individual book chapters, technical reports, documentation, manuals, discussion papers)
  - theses (M.Sc. theses, Honours theses)
  - conference or workshop items (papers, lectures, posters, speeches)
  - research data (data files, program output, multimedia files)



# ○ ● ● Data Formats

- We have not specified data formats, but require deposit of at least one: PDF, HTML, TEXT, PS file with each deposit
- Can include any number of other files with deposit

# ● ● ● Conversion/Storage

- Library will provide some conversion assistance (e.g. scanning print documents)
- Cannot commit to migrating deposited files to newer formats
- May refuse based on size

# ○ ● ● Acceptance

- Editorial Board is assigned subject areas = departments
- Some Library staff also review all submissions
- One future possibility is to add Subject Specialists to Board

# ○ ● ● Success

---

- Successful launch Oct 6
- Great deal of interest from faculty, also eCommons::Index
- UL meeting with all Chairs and Academic Departments
- Discussion in the halls

# ○ ● ● Future?

- Currently implementing:
  - eCommons::Admin (ePrints)
  - eCommons::Index (RefW/CM)
- Considering implementing
  - eCommons::Learn (LionShare)
  - eCommons::Data (VDC)


Ecommons::Research - Browse by Year


http://ecommons.uwinnipeg.ca/view/year/


BLOGs CBMH Ecommons Google Loomware RAKIM UW Tasks Pro OAI Explorer CARL IR

Ecommons::Research - Browse by Ye... Refworks Web Based Bibliographic Man... Gmail - [DIGITAL-PRESERVATION] Harv...

Ecommons::Research [Home](#) || [About](#) || [Browse](#) || [Search](#) || [Register](#) || [User Area](#) || [Help](#)

 The University of Winnipeg  
Library and Information Services

 eCommons::Research




**eCommons::Research is an Institutional Repository for use by University of Winnipeg staff and students, as well as Community groups and individuals conducting research with, or of interest to, the University.**

Please select a value to browse from the list below.

- [1984 \(1\)](#)
- [1985 \(2\)](#)
- [1986 \(1\)](#)
- [1987 \(1\)](#)
- [2001 \(2\)](#)
- [2002 \(7\)](#)
- [2003 \(8\)](#)
- [2004 \(14\)](#)

[Contact Information](#)

ht:p://ecommons.uwinnipeg.ca/ 

Refworks Web Based Bibliographic Management Software

http://www.refworks.com/Refworks/mainframe.asp

BLOGs CBMH Ecommons Google Loomware RAKIM UW Tasks Pro OAI Explorer CARL IR

Ecommons::Research - eCommons::Re... Refworks Web Based Bibliographic M... Gmail - [DIGITAL-PRESERVATION] Harv...

Welcome, University of Winnipeg. [Log out](#)  
University of Winnipeg

References Search View Folders Bibliography Tools Help Search RefWorks Go

### All References


Switch to: [One line/Cite View](#)

Use:  Selected  Page  All in List


Delete Put in Folder... Add Descriptor Global Edit Print

Sort by Authors, Primary

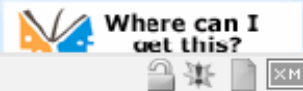
Go to Page: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 [Next](#) [Last](#)

Ref ID: 1038 Book Chapter Reference 1 of 4053 [View](#) [Edit](#)  Where can I get this? Ask GODOT

Chapter Title: Organometallic Oligomers and Polymers  
Authors: [Abd-El-Aziz, A.S.](#)  
Source: 2004 (In Press), Marcel Dekker, New York

Ref ID: 1035 Book, Whole Reference 2 of 4053 [View](#) [Edit](#)  Where can I get this? Ask GODOT

Book Title: Organoiron polymers  
Authors: [Abd-El-Aziz, A.S.](#)  
Source: 2004, 2, 287, Wiley-Interscience, Hoboken, N.J.

Ref ID: 1036 Journal Reference 3 of 4053  Where can I get this? Ask GODOT

Done

# ○ ● ● Suggestions

- Avoid making policies too restrictive - better to KISS
- Consider doing an IR for a Centre 1st if concerned about volume or limited resources



# ○ ● ● Realities

---

- Building a substantial IR will take time - education is the 1st step
- A good thing this, as we are kinda making a lot of this up as we go!