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### Abstract

*This paper deals with the concepts of open access journals in agricultural sciences and its advantages to the users community. The role of World Wide Web is very pivotal in accessing of open access journals in agricultural sciences.*

### Introduction

Basically India is popular for agriculture since agrarian society and farmers are back bone of the nation. In current days agriculture is improving in of adoption scientific and technological methods of agriculture. To adopt and improve the latest scientific and technological method of agricultural, our scientists, researchers and farmers need to know latest knowledge in the field of agriculture to enhance the agricultural products in the country. To fulfill the informational needs of the agricultural community we need to have and acquire enormous information which is available in current journals, reports, standards, patents, monographs etc. Due to many financial crunches, developing Countries like India may not purchase all the informational resources. Therefore, there are several open access resources are available for the agricultural scientists and researchers in the country and worldwide. The World Wide Web has provided the means for research to make their research results available to anyone, anywhere, at any time. This applies to journal articles regardless of whether or not their

library has a subscription to the journal in which the article published as well as to other types of research output such as conference papers, theses or research report.

### What is Open Access?

Open access is free, online full text access to materials in digital form to any user from any where at any time over the web. Open Access enables user to link, read download, store, print use and data mine the digital document/materials free of copyright restrictions for academic purpose. Open Access is thus very important for developing countries; which cannot afford costly journals in which current research is published.

The main aim of Open access to make publicly funded recorded output of research freely available for the benefit of the society.

### What is Open Access Journal?

Open access journal may be defined very boldly as any journal, magazine, webzine, newsletter or any type of electronic serial publication which is available over the internet. Within this broad definition, the titles can be electronically accessed

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using different technologies such as the World Wide Web (WWW), gopher, ftp, telnet, email or listserv. Of course, virtually all modern electronic Journals are most available via the web.

Advantage of Open Access Journals

- Open access brings the library or information to the user, at anytime and anywhere.
- It allows you to access information on the desktop without any barriers such as place, time etc.
- Open access journals can be access wherever there is a PC with a network connection
- Open access enhanced access and delivery of information through searching and browsing
- It supports full text searching with various options such as keyword, phrase, Boolean proximity, etc
- Hypertext linking allows various chapters, sections, bibliographies, reference and types of digital objective Text, Image, Audio, Video, etc
- Networks compatibility facilities resource sharing more easily and storing digital

information on a network makes it available to everybody.

- The same electronic document or information can be access simultaneous more than one users at a time.
- Reduced cost of conventional libraries like building, professional staff and maintenance and preservation of reading materials
- It promotes digital materials and enhanced preservation of knowledge for present and future generation
- Easier to update, keep information current and produce new form of information
- Need to not worry about the stole, misplaced, and reserved to check-out of the documents
- It support e-learning through global access of information, collaboration and exchange of ideas
- It is the foundation of knowledge center without walls, open 24 hours a day and access over a network

Some of the Important Open Access Journals in Agricultural Sciences

| SL NO. | NAME OF THE JOURNAL                           | WEBSITE ADDRESS   |
|--------|---|---|
| 1.     | Acarology Bulletin (1996-present)             | <a href="http://www.nhm.ac.uk/hosted_sites/acarology/saas/ab/content.html">http://www.nhm.ac.uk/hosted_sites/acarology/saas/ab/content.html</a>   |
| 2.     | AgBioForum (1998-2003)                        | <a href="https://agbioforum.org/">https://agbioforum.org/</a>   |
| 3.     | AgExporter (1996-present)                     | <a href="http://www.fas.usda.gov/info/fasworldwide/maghome.htm">http://www.fas.usda.gov/info/fasworldwide/maghome.htm</a>                         |
| 4.     | Ag Opportunities (1994-present)               | <a href="http://agebb.missouri.edu/mac/agopp/">http://agebb.missouri.edu/mac/agopp/</a>   |
| 5.     | Ag Retailer (2000-2003)                       | <a href="http://www.agprofessional.com/issues.php?magazine=agretailer">http://www.agprofessional.com/issues.php?magazine=agretailer</a>           |
| 6.     | Ag Professional (2003-present)                |   |
| 7.     | Agri-Briefs (1996-present)                    | <a href="https://academic-accelerator.com/Impact-of-Journal/nl/Agri-Briefs">https://academic-accelerator.com/Impact-of-Journal/nl/Agri-Briefs</a> |
| 8.     | Agricultural Research Magazine (1996-present) | <a href="https://www.ars.usda.gov/">https://www.ars.usda.gov/</a>   |

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| 9.  | Agricultural Research Service: Newsletters & Reports                                | <a href="http://www.ars.usda.gov/is/np/indexnr.html">http://www.ars.usda.gov/is/np/indexnr.html</a>   |
| 10. | Agriculture 21 (1998-present)   | <a href="https://www.fao.org/ag/fr/magazine/">https://www.fao.org/ag/fr/magazine/</a>   |
| 11. | Agriculture and Biodiversity News (1998-2001)                                       | <a href="https://www.iatp.org/">https://www.iatp.org/</a>   |
| 12. | Agriculture.Com. (2000-2001)  | <a href="https://www.agriculture.com/weather/current-conditions">https://www.agriculture.com/weather/current-conditions</a>   |
| 13. | Alternative Agriculture News (1997-2000)  | <a href="https://www.worldcat.org/title/alternative-agriculture-news/oclc/645178518">https://www.worldcat.org/title/alternative-agriculture-news/oclc/645178518</a> |
| 14. | Amber Waves   | <a href="https://www.ers.usda.gov/AmberWaves/">https://www.ers.usda.gov/AmberWaves/</a>   |
| 15. | American Journal of Food Technology (2006-present)                                  | <a href="http://www.scialert.net/jindex.php?issn=1557-4571">http://www.scialert.net/jindex.php?issn=1557-4571</a>   |
| 16. | American Journal of Veterinary Research (2000-present)                              | <a href="http://www.avma.org/journals/default.asp">http://www.avma.org/journals/default.asp</a>   |
| 17. | Analecta Veterinaria (1998-present)   | <a href="http://www.fcv.unlp.edu.ar/analecta/en/vols.php">http://www.fcv.unlp.edu.ar/analecta/en/vols.php</a>   |
| 18. | Annual Wheat Newsletter(1984-2001)  | <a href="http://wheat.pw.usda.gov/ggpages/awn/">http://wheat.pw.usda.gov/ggpages/awn/</a>   |
| 19. | APIS (1994-2002)  | <a href="http://entomology.ifas.ufl.edu/sanford/apis/allindex.htm">http://entomology.ifas.ufl.edu/sanford/apis/allindex.htm</a>                                     |
| 20. | Arid Lands Newsletter   | <a href="http://ag.arizona.edu/OALS/ALN/ALNHome2.html">http://ag.arizona.edu/OALS/ALN/ALNHome2.html</a>   |
| 21. | Association of Natural Bio-Control Producers Newsletter (1994-2002)                 | <a href="http://www.anbp.org/ANBPnewsletter.htm">http://www.anbp.org/ANBPnewsletter.htm</a>   |
| 22. | Australian New Crops Newsletter   | <a href="http://www.newcrops.uq.edu.au/newslett/1-newslet.htm">http://www.newcrops.uq.edu.au/newslett/1-newslet.htm</a>   |
| 23. | Australian Plants Online (1997-2004)  | <a href="http://asgap.org.au/apoline.html">http://asgap.org.au/apoline.html</a>   |
| 24. | Avian Conservation and Ecology/Écologie et conservation des oiseaux (2005- present) | <a href="http://www.ace-eco.org/">http://www.ace-eco.org/</a>   |
| 25. | AVEPM Newsletter (1998-2003)  | <a href="http://vetmed.illinois.edu/avepm/newsletter.html">http://vetmed.illinois.edu/avepm/newsletter.html</a>   |
| 26. | Barley Genetics Newsletter (1971-2003)  | <a href="http://wheat.pw.usda.gov/ggpages/bgn/">http://wheat.pw.usda.gov/ggpages/bgn/</a>   |
| 27. | Bean Bag: Leguminosae Research Newsletter (1995-2002)                               | <a href="http://www.rbgkew.org.uk/herbarium/legumes/beanbag.html">http://www.rbgkew.org.uk/herbarium/legumes/beanbag.html</a>                                       |
| 28. | Better Crops International (1996-present)   | <a href="http://www.ppi-ppic.org/ppiweb/bcropint.nsf">http://www.ppi-ppic.org/ppiweb/bcropint.nsf</a>   |
| 29. | Better Crops with Plant Food(1997-present)  | <a href="http://www.ppi-ppic.org/ppiweb/bcrops.nsf">http://www.ppi-ppic.org/ppiweb/bcrops.nsf</a>   |

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| 30. | Better Farming (1999-present)                              | <a href="http://www.betterfarming.com/index.htm">http://www.betterfarming.com/index.htm</a>   |
| 31. | Biociências ( 2003-present)                                | <a href="http://revistaseletronicas.pucrs.br/ojs/index.php/fabio/index">http://revistaseletronicas.pucrs.br/ojs/index.php/fabio/index</a>   |
| 32. | Biodiesel Magazine (2004-present)                          | <a href="http://www.biodieselmagazine.com/">http://www.biodieselmagazine.com/</a>   |
| 33. | Bioenergy Research (2004-present)                          | <a href="http://www.biopress.dk/FiB-UK.htm">http://www.biopress.dk/FiB-UK.htm</a>   |
| 34. | Biology Direct (2006-present)                              | <a href="http://www.biology-direct.com/">http://www.biology-direct.com/</a>   |
| 35. | Biomass Magazine (2007-present)                            | <a href="http://www.biomassmagazine.com/">http://www.biomassmagazine.com/</a>   |
| 36. | Botanic Gardens Micropropagation News (1995-1996)          | <a href="http://www.rbgekew.org.uk/science/micropropagation/bgmnews.html">http://www.rbgekew.org.uk/science/micropropagation/bgmnews.html</a>   |
| 37. | California Native Plant Society Bulletin (from 2000-2001)  | <a href="http://www.cnps.org/cnps/publications/">http://www.cnps.org/cnps/publications/</a>   |
| 38. | Canadian Biosystems Engineering (1997-present)             | <a href="http://journalseek.net/cgi-bin/journalseek/journalsearch.cgi?field=issn&amp;query=1492-9058">http://journalseek.net/cgi-bin/journalseek/journalsearch.cgi?field=issn&amp;query=1492-9058</a> |
| 39. | Carrot Country (1998-present)                              | <a href="http://www.carrotcountry.com/">http://www.carrotcountry.com/</a>   |
| 40. | Cattle Today (1998-present)                                | <a href="http://www.cattletoday.com/archive/archive.shtml">http://www.cattletoday.com/archive/archive.shtml</a>   |
| 41. | Cattleman Magazine (1997-present)                          | <a href="http://www.thecattlemanmagazine.com/cattlemanHome.asp">http://www.thecattlemanmagazine.com/cattlemanHome.asp</a>   |
| 42. | Cereal Rust Bulletin (1994-2003)                           | <a href="http://www.ars.usda.gov/Main/docs.htm?docid=9757">http://www.ars.usda.gov/Main/docs.htm?docid=9757</a>   |
| 43. | CGS Newsletter( 1995 present)                              | <a href="http://olcs.icu.ac.jp/mt/cgs/e/2008/09/cgs_newsletter_010_available_n.html">http://olcs.icu.ac.jp/mt/cgs/e/2008/09/cgs_newsletter_010_available_n.html</a>                                   |
| 44. | CO <sub>2</sub> Science Magazine(1998-present)             | <a href="http://www.co2science.org/">http://www.co2science.org/</a>   |
| 45. | Communications in Biometry and Crop Science (2006 present) | <a href="http://agrobiol.sggw.waw.pl/cbcs/">http://agrobiol.sggw.waw.pl/cbcs/</a>   |
| 46. | Cotton Insect Newsletter (1997-present)                    | <a href="http://www.entomology.msstate.edu/">http://www.entomology.msstate.edu/</a>   |
| 47. | Crop Decisions (2000-2003.)                                | <a href="http://www.cropdecisions.com/issues.php3">http://www.cropdecisions.com/issues.php3</a>   |
| 48. | CSAS Newsletter (1993-2000)                                | <a href="http://www.ibiblio.org/london/permaculture/mailarchives/sanet5/msg00078.html">http://www.ibiblio.org/london/permaculture/mailarchives/sanet5/msg00078.html</a>                               |
| 49. | Dendrome Forest Tree Genome Research Updates(1994-1998)    | <a href="http://dendrome.ucdavis.edu/cgi-bin/News_Page_body.cgi#N">http://dendrome.ucdavis.edu/cgi-bin/News_Page_body.cgi#N</a>   |
| 50. | Distillers Grains Quarterly (2005-present)                 | <a href="http://www.distillersgrainsquarterly.com/">http://www.distillersgrainsquarterly.com/</a>   |

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| 52. | Drovers Online                                  | <a href="http://www.drovers.com/">http://www.drovers.com/</a>   |
| 53. | Ecology and Society (1997)                      | <a href="http://www.ecologyandsociety.org/">http://www.ecologyandsociety.org/</a>   |
| 54. | Ecosistemas (2004-present)                      | <a href="http://redalyc.uaemex.mx/redalyc/src/inicio/HomRevRed.jsp?iCveEntRev=540">http://redalyc.uaemex.mx/redalyc/src/inicio/HomRevRed.jsp?iCveEntRev=540</a>   |
| 55. | Electronic Green Journal (1994-2001)            | <a href="http://repositories.cdlib.org/uclalib/egj/">http://repositories.cdlib.org/uclalib/egj/</a>   |
| 56. | embnet.news (1994-2000)                         | <a href="http://www.embnet.org/?q=node/21">http://www.embnet.org/?q=node/21</a>   |
| 57. | Emerging Infectious Diseases (1995-present)     | <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/pastcon.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/pastcon.htm</a>   |
| 58. | Entorno (from 1998-2003)                        | <a href="http://www.imades.org/entorno/index.htm">http://www.imades.org/entorno/index.htm</a>   |
| 59. | Equine Disease Quarterly (1996-2001)            | <a href="http://www.uky.edu/Ag/VetScience/q/Q_issues.htm">http://www.uky.edu/Ag/VetScience/q/Q_issues.htm</a>   |
| 60. | Ethanol Producer Magazine (2002-present)        | <a href="http://www.ethanolproducer.com/">http://www.ethanolproducer.com/</a>   |
| 61. | Facts for Fancy Fruit Newsletter (1996-present) | <a href="http://www.hort.purdue.edu/fff/fff.shtml">http://www.hort.purdue.edu/fff/fff.shtml</a>   |
| 62. | The FAR Letter (1997-2001)                      | <a href="http://www.ppiifar.org/ppiweb/far.nsf/\$webindex/3E955E5B5005191585256AC4003DC379?opendocument&amp;navigator=home%25">http://www.ppiifar.org/ppiweb/far.nsf/\$webindex/3E955E5B5005191585256AC4003DC379?opendocument&amp;navigator=home%</a> |
| 63. | FDA Veterinarian Newsletter (1995-present)      | <a href="http://www.fda.gov/cvm/fdavettoc.html">http://www.fda.gov/cvm/fdavettoc.html</a>   |
| 64. | Flea News (1993-present)                        | <a href="http://www.ent.iastate.edu/FleaNews/aboutfleanews.html">http://www.ent.iastate.edu/FleaNews/aboutfleanews.html</a>   |
| 65. | Florida Entomologist (1917-present)             | , <a href="http://www.fcla.edu/FlaEnt/feissues.htm">http://www.fcla.edu/FlaEnt/feissues.htm</a>   |
| 66. | Forage Systems Update (1998-present)            | <a href="http://aes.missouri.edu/fsrc/news/index.stm">http://aes.missouri.edu/fsrc/news/index.stm</a>   |
| 67. | Freiberg Online Geosciences (2000)              | <a href="http://www.geo.tu-freiberg.de/fog/issues.html">http://www.geo.tu-freiberg.de/fog/issues.html</a>   |
| 68. | Fremontia (1998-present)                        | <a href="http://www.cnps.org/cnps/publications/fremontia/index.php">http://www.cnps.org/cnps/publications/fremontia/index.php</a>   |
| 69. | Fresh Cut (1997-2002)                           | <a href="http://www.freshcut.com/pages/index.php">http://www.freshcut.com/pages/index.php</a>   |
| 70. | Fruit Notes                                     | <a href="http://www.umass.edu/fruitadvisor/fruitnotes/FruitNotes.htm">http://www.umass.edu/fruitadvisor/fruitnotes/FruitNotes.htm</a>   |
| 71. | Fungal Genetics Newsletter (from 1982-2002)     | <a href="http://www.fgsc.net/FungalGeneticsReports.htm">http://www.fgsc.net/FungalGeneticsReports.htm</a>   |
| 72. | Gene Exchange (1990-1999)                       | <a href="http://go.ucsusa.org/publications/gene_exchange.cfm?publicationID=312">http://go.ucsusa.org/publications/gene_exchange.cfm?publicationID=312</a> available (ceased publication).   |
| 73. | Grainews  | <a href="http://www.grainews.ca/">http://www.grainews.ca/</a>   |
| 74. | High Plains Journal                             | <a href="http://www.hpj.com/">http://www.hpj.com/</a>   |
| 75. | Hort Expo Northwest (1997-present)              | <a href="http://www.ibegin.com/directory/us/washington/white-swan/hort-expo-northwest-magazine-14161-fort-rd/">http://www.ibegin.com/directory/us/washington/white-swan/hort-expo-northwest-magazine-14161-fort-rd/</a>                               |

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| 77. | Illinois Fruit & Vegetable News (1997-present)                           | <a href="http://www.ipm.uiuc.edu/ifvn/index.html">http://www.ipm.uiuc.edu/ifvn/index.html</a>   |
| 78. | Integrated Crop Management   | <a href="http://www.ipm.iastate.edu/ipm/icm/">http://www.ipm.iastate.edu/ipm/icm/</a>   |
| 79. | International Journal of Environmental Research, (2007-present)          | <a href="http://ijer.ut.ac.ir/">http://ijer.ut.ac.ir/</a>   |
| 80. | International Journal of Veterinary Medicine                             | <a href="http://www.priory.com/vet.htm">http://www.priory.com/vet.htm</a>   |
| 81. | International Organization for Biological Control Newsletter (1995-1999) | <a href="http://www.unipa.it/iobc/view.php?pg=publications">http://www.unipa.it/iobc/view.php?pg=publications</a>   |
| 82. | InterStat (1995-present)   | <a href="http://interstat.statjournals.net/">http://interstat.statjournals.net/</a>   |
| 83. | Iowa Farmer Today Online   | <a href="http://www.iowafarmer.com/">http://www.iowafarmer.com/</a>   |
| 84. | IPM Newsletter (1997-2002)   | <a href="http://www.entomology.msstate.edu/">http://www.entomology.msstate.edu/</a>   |
| 85. | Irish Farmers Journal (1998-present)                                     | <a href="http://www.farmersjournal.ie/2009/0314/news/currentedition/">http://www.farmersjournal.ie/2009/0314/news/currentedition/</a>   |
| 86. | ISB Report (1992-current)  | <a href="http://www.isb.vt.edu/news/prev_issues.cfm?goto=nrlv112&amp;tree=no">http://www.isb.vt.edu/news/prev_issues.cfm?goto=nrlv112&amp;tree=no</a>   |
| 87. | Journal of Aquatic Animal Health (1989-present)                          | <a href="http://afs.allenpress.com/perlserv/?request=get-archive&amp;issn=1548-8667&amp;ct=1">http://afs.allenpress.com/perlserv/?request=get-archive&amp;issn=1548-8667&amp;ct=1</a>                     |
| 88. | Journal of Experimental Botany   | <a href="http://jxb.oxfordjournals.org/">http://jxb.oxfordjournals.org/</a>   |
| 89. | Journal of Extension (1984-present)                                      | <a href="http://www.joe.org/journal-archive.php">http://www.joe.org/journal-archive.php</a>   |
| 90. | Journal of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Education (1997-2000)     | <a href="http://www.jnrlse.org/">http://www.jnrlse.org/</a>   |
| 91. | Journal of Range Management (1948-1998)                                  | <a href="https://digitalcommons.library.arizona.edu/holdings/journal?r=http://jrm.library.arizona.edu/">https://digitalcommons.library.arizona.edu/holdings/journal?r=http://jrm.library.arizona.edu/</a> |
| 92. | Journal of Veterinary Medical Science (1997-2001)                        | <a href="http://www.jstage.jst.go.jp/browse/jvms">http://www.jstage.jst.go.jp/browse/jvms</a>   |
| 93. | LABELS: Linking consumers and producers (1997-present)                   | <a href="http://www.iatp.org/">http://www.iatp.org/</a>   |
| 94. | The Land (1998-present)  | <a href="http://www.the-land.com/">http://www.the-land.com/</a>   |
| 95. | Land and Water Newsletter (1996-present)                                 | <a href="http://www.fao.org/ag/agl/newsletter/default.stm">http://www.fao.org/ag/agl/newsletter/default.stm</a>   |
| 96. | Leopold Letter (1997-present)  | <a href="http://www.leopold.iastate.edu/pubs/nwl/leoletter.htm">http://www.leopold.iastate.edu/pubs/nwl/leoletter.htm</a>   |
| 97. | Livestock Research for Rural Development (1989-present)                  | <a href="http://www.lrrd.org/">http://www.lrrd.org/</a>   |
| 98. | Nebraska Farm Bureau News (1999-2001)                                    | <a href="http://www.nefb.org/news/">http://www.nefb.org/news/</a>   |

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| 100. | New England Journal of Large Animal Health             | <a href="http://www.neahi.org/?404=Y">http://www.neahi.org/?404=Y</a>   |
| 101. | New Mexico Resources (1995-present)                    | <a href="http://www.newmexicoresources.org/">http://www.newmexicoresources.org/</a>   |
| 102. | North Carolina Pest News (1996-present)                | <a href="http://ipm.ncsu.edu/current_ipm/pest_news.html">http://ipm.ncsu.edu/current_ipm/pest_news.html</a>   |
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