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the pan-African
OPEN  ACCESS
Portal



Providing Reciprocal Discoverability of African Research Content.

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Our Mission



We are establishing **an independent and open research repository** and interoperable source of contributions for and from researchers working on pan-African advancement **to increase discoverability** of African researchers' output and **for all scientists who work in an African context.**

The Challenges



Language barriers



Low visibility of African scholarly output internationally



African researchers tend to be less integrated into international research networks

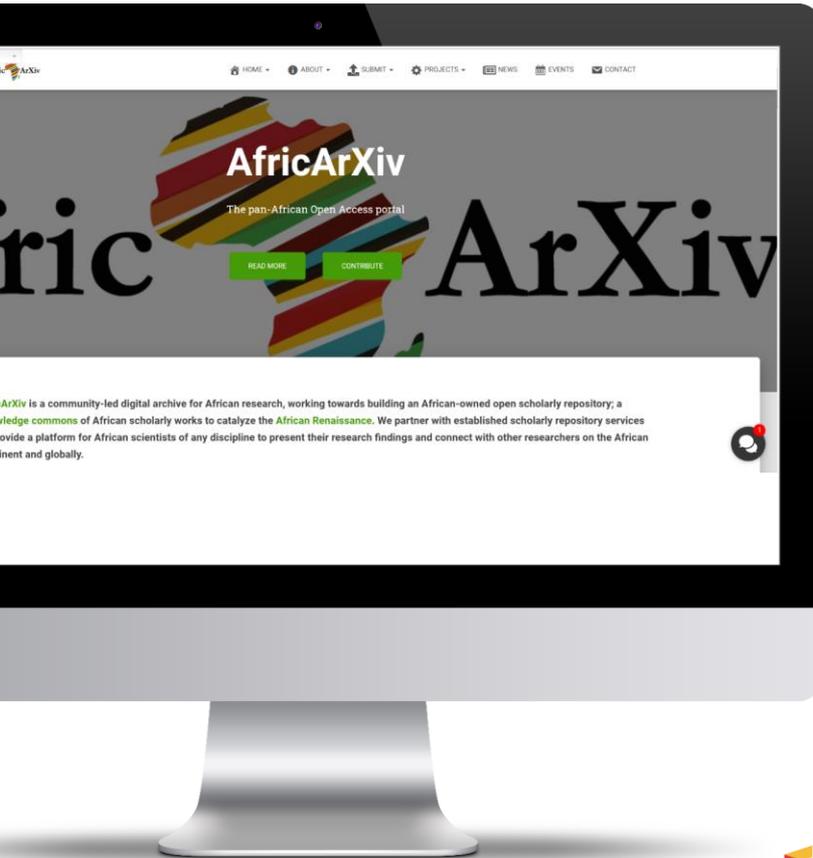


Restricted access to research funding

The Solution

We partner with established scholarly repository services to provide a platform for African scientists of any discipline to present their research findings and connect with other researchers on the African continent and globally.





Submission of Research items

- from researchers working in and about Africa

Submission Moderation

- checkpoints for quality assurance

Discoverability

- assigning a DOI to each submitted item
- inking to the researchers ORCID ID
- indexing in scholarly search engines

Benefits for Researchers

Reputation Building

- + raising the profile of African researchers
- + worldwide online visibility



Networking & Capacity building

- + trainings and webinars on scholarly publishing
- + with researchers across Africa and worldwide

Discoverability of research output

- + indexing of shared research items
- + assigning DOIs
- + open licensing

Benefits for Libraries

Reputation Building

- + Raising the profile of African research institutions
- + Worldwide online visibility
- + Indexing in various scholarly databases



State-of-the-art publishing infrastructure

- + DOI assignment and open licensing options
- + Create an independent digital OA publishing environment
- + Complementary to your existing system/s

Collaborate

- + Promote best practices in open scholarly publishing
- + Foster research equity for African scholars
- + Curate topic-specific and interdisciplinary collections

Benefits for Publishers

Promote your journals and/or books

- + invite submissions from across Africa
- + indexing in various scholarly databases
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Projects



African Digital Research Repositories

Mapping the Landscape

Open Peer Reviewers

Become a trainer for the
Open Peer Reviewers in
Africa programme

Find out how to get involved

Decolonising Scientific Writing
for Africa



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'Decolonize Science'



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*We are translating 180 English research articles
by African scholars across various disciplines
to isiZulu, Northern Sotho, Yoruba, Hausa, Luganda, and Amharic.*



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We advocate for use and acceptance of African languages in research publications

Encouraging submitting authors to add a translation of the abstract or lay summary in the African language that is relevant to the context of their work; in accordance with the Helsinki Initiative on Multilingualism in Scholarly Communication.



Digital Repositories Map

☰ African Digital Research Repositories institutional ▾ Default view ▾

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This map visualizes the existing digital repositories in Africa and on African topics.

Explore this map by clicking on individual nodes and see descriptions, websites and other information about the repositories.

With the navigation buttons to the right, you can zoom in and out, select and focus on specific elements.

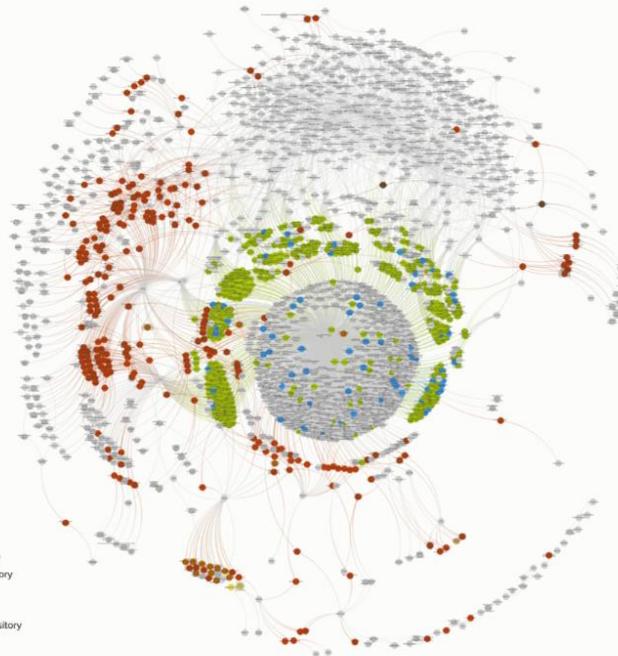
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Legend

- Institutional Repository
- Research topic repository
- National Repository
- Regional Repository
- Research project repository
- Institution
- Government

Digital Repositories Map: Nigeria

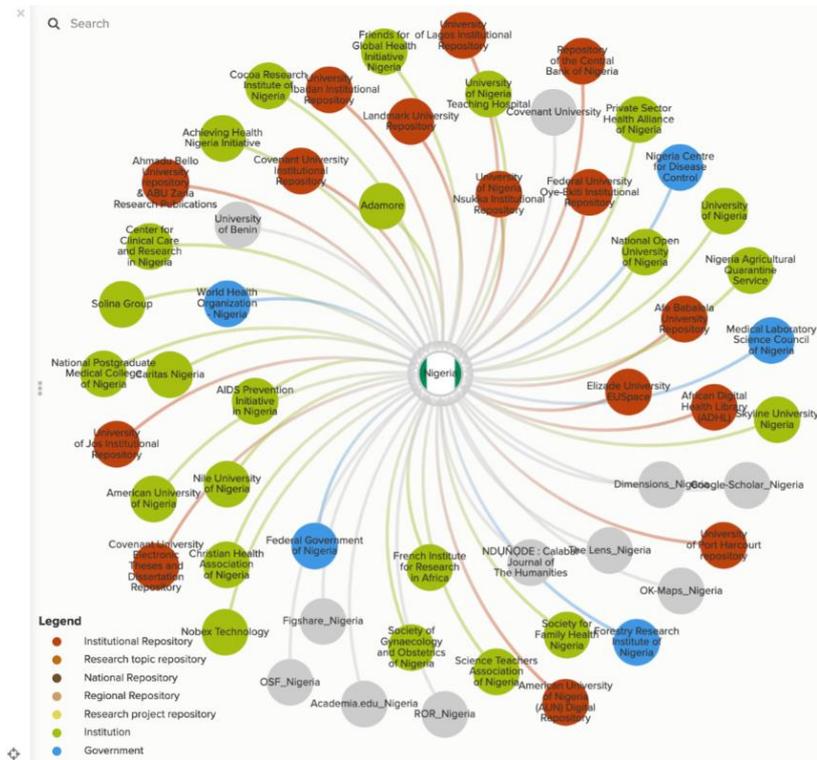
Ahmadu Bello University repository & ABU Zaria Research Publications

INSTITUTIONAL REPOSITORY

CITY	Zaria
COUNTRY	Nigeria
FILE TYPE	text
HOST INSTITUTION	Ahmadu Bello University
LANGUAGES	en
SOFTWARE	DSpace
URL	kubanni.abu.edu.ng/jspui/
ACCESSIBILITY	open access

METRICS

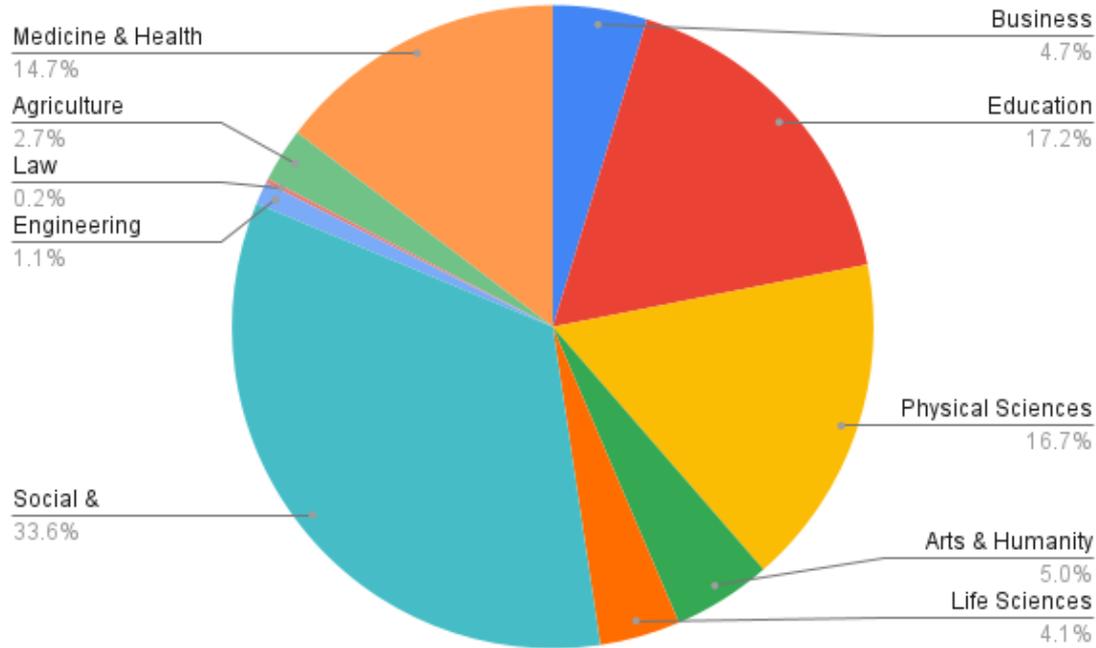
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CLOSENESS	0.0043
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EIGENVECTOR	0
INDEGREE	0
METRICS-LAST	1



Accepted submissions per country (author affiliation in Africa, Oct 2021).



Accepted submissions per research discipline (Oct 2021)





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