

What is the colour of your journal?

Case based on Spanish scientific journals



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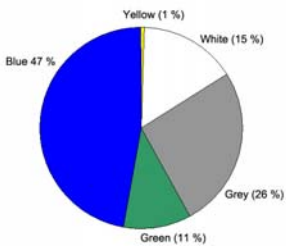
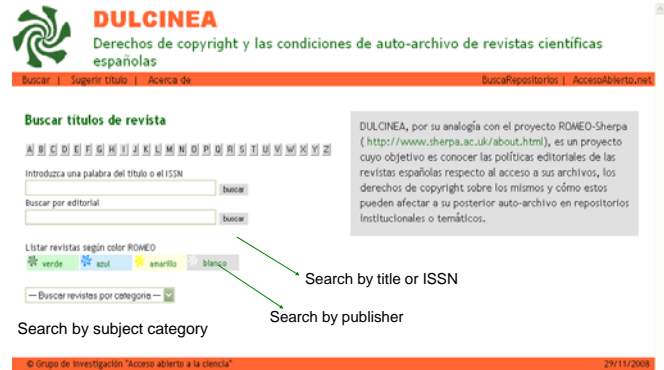
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Abstract

Following the taxonomy of SHERPA-ROMEO, the working group *Acceso Abierto a la Ciencia* (Open Access to Science) has created a directory including alive Spanish scientific/academic Journals focused on their copyright policies and permissions for self-archiving. The directory is called DULCINEA. Journals are classified by category, type of publisher (university institutions, learned societies or private publishers), by type of access (gratis, gratis after an embargo or restricted to subscribers) by their colours (green, blue, yellow, white) and type o versions allowed to deposit. Starting by existing data bases or journal directories, among them Ulrich's directory, we dismissed dead or non-academic journals. Taking into account this condition, DULCINEA already lists 1322 titles. The percentage distribution by journals' colours are: 16% green, 48% blue, 1% yellow, 16 white (this means about 65% allow deposits in OA repositories) and 26% have not assigned colour because in their web sites it was not found out the corresponding information, and editors did not reply our requests. Most of registered journals are published by universities/research institutions, by learned societies or any other public organization, therefore nearly 70% are gratis and 16% are gratis after an embargo. The use of CC licences is increasingly adopted by publishers (currently 15% of journals use CC licences), and editors are more aware of the meaning of copyright and its relationship with self-archiving and open access to their contents. The Open Journal system is the online journal management system most used among open access journals in Spain.

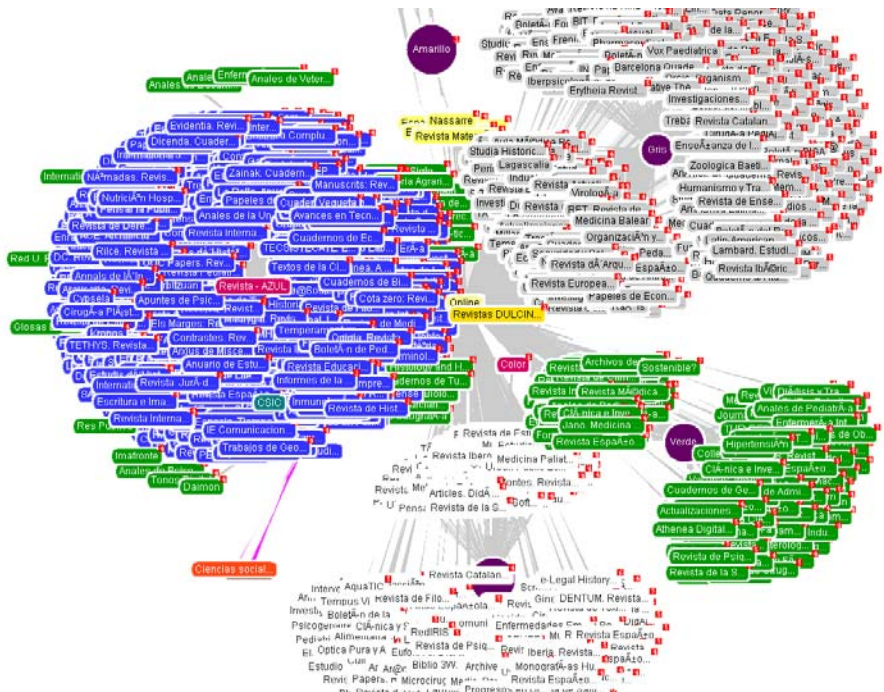
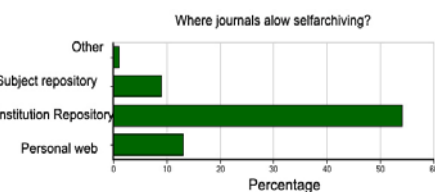
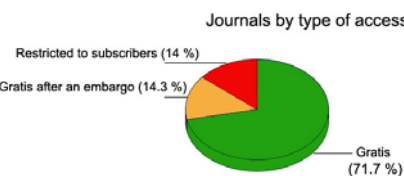
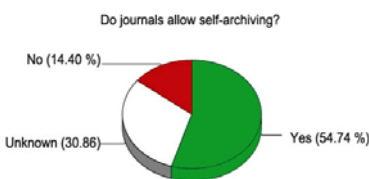
- **DULCINEA** provides and summarizes self-archiving and copyright policies of Spanish scientific electronic journals. Currently 1322 titles
- **DULCINEA** will also create tools for promoting good practices in scientific publications related to authors' rights and self-archiving. See <http://www.accesoabierto.net/node/62>
- **DULCINEA** provides also graphics according to different criteria: color, See <http://www.accesoabierto.net/dulcinea/default.php>

..... Dulcinea's portal: www.accesoabierto.net/dulcinea



What means a grey journal?

Grey means a journal has not assigned colour (information not found in its web site or the contact person has not responded our request)



15 % of journals use a CC licence



About 700 journals use OJS