# **Journal Preservation:**

What Should be Included?

## **Publishing and Repository Services at Ohio State**

Publishing and Repository Services Librarian **Production Services Manager Production Assistant for Repository Services** Production Assistant for Publishing Services

## **Open Journal Systems (OJS) Hack**

- Websites unavailable for 2 weeks
  - Articles sent via email when requested
- No editorial work for 1 month

### **Ethics: Thinking beyond Articles and Metadata**

- Policies require time and effort to create
- Policies need to be updated
- Policies differ for each journal
- Policies can't be easily recreated if lost

### **Historical Documentation**

- Policies + spreadsheet on shared network drive
- Staff turnover and recent software upgrade have affected maintenance of documentation

# COPE Principles of Transparency and Best Practice in Scholarly Publishing:

"A journal's plan for electronic backup and preservation of access to the journal content (for example, access to main articles via CLOCKSS or PubMed Central) in the event a journal is no longer published shall be clearly indicated."

https://doi.org/10.24318/cope.2019.1.12

### **Role of Journal Policies**

- Policies articulate values
- Policies make routine journal practices clear
- Policies ensure transparency for how more extraordinary circumstances are handled

# Preservation at Ohio State Libraries Moving Forward

- Routanize updating existing journal policy documentation with new staff
- Add yearly check of policies to current practices
- Begin documenting author guidelines and click-through agreements
- Begin documenting announcements

# **Moving Forward**

- Start where you are
- Plan for "middle ground" emergency

# **Questions?**

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