

RADAR

Research Archive and Digital Asset Repository

What is RADAR?

RADAR (Research Archive and Digital Assets Repository) is the name for the University's Institutional Repository.

This is the place to deposit not only all your research outputs and make them available to the world, but it's also the place to deposit your teaching resources and make them available to your students and colleagues via Brookes Virtual.



Showcasing and Sharing
Oxford Brookes Research

Managing and Sharing
Teaching Resources

Showcasing and sharing University Research

Benefits

As an **open access** repository, RADAR offers a number of benefits to researchers:

- ▶ **Make** your work visible and accessible via the web to the widest possible audience, potentially increasing its citation count and impact. Scholars worldwide will be able to get to know more about your research without paying costly journal subscriptions
- ▶ **More visibility will encourage collaborations** between institutions worldwide
- ▶ **Support the Research Excellence Framework (REF)**
- ▶ **Add value** by not only publishing articles but additional material as well which can be anything from images, sound tracks to research datasets and working papers
- ▶ **RADAR content has high quality descriptions** enabling it to be comprehensively indexed by search engines
- ▶ **Stored safely and permanently.** Each item has its own unique perpetual web address which can be shared with colleagues and made available on your personal and School's web pages

What about copyright?

The RADAR team are aware that intellectual property rights are a major concern to authors. For items to be made available on open access, we will investigate the rights position for you, firstly by checking the Sherpa database of publishers' copyright policies (www.sherpa.ac.uk).

In cases where copyright does not permit a version being deposited in RADAR, an entry will be created which includes the bibliographical details, abstract and a link to the published version of the item.

Look after your versions

We urge that you avoid signing away copyright whenever possible and that you retain both pre – and post – refereeing (sometimes known as preprints and postprints) versions of your work. Many publishers permit pre-publication versions of work to be deposited.

Managing and sharing Teaching resources

Benefits

- **Save time** - no more uploading the same document to multiple VLE courses: maintain one copy of a document in RADAR and link to it from Brookes Virtual
- **Search** for RADAR resources whilst working in the VLE interface
- **Find** resources for use in your teaching, by using keywords, subject area or School
- **Assist programme and course teams** in managing resources and course redesign e.g. for API, validation or renewal
- **Restrict access** to staff and students only, or choose to make resources open access and enhance your reputation
- **Share** resources between colleagues
- **Deliver** teaching resources in new ways to new markets

What about copyright?

RADAR is an optional service, designed to help programme teams and individuals manage their teaching resources more effectively.

The majority of resources will only be available to Oxford Brookes staff and students. Nevertheless, intellectual property rights may be a concern for those wishing to contribute, so the RADAR team, in conjunction with specialists within the University, will provide appropriate support and guidance.

Staff can choose to publish some resources publicly. These materials can be licensed in a variety of ways, for example by using the increasingly popular Creative Commons licence.

Who is responsible for RADAR?

RADAR is a new university service managed by the Directorate of Learning Resources. The development of RADAR is led by a steering group which comprises members from the Library and Media Workshop. There is also a team of RADAR advisors who assist with copyright, legal and technical issues.

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Need a place to publish your research? **Think RADAR!**

Store and share a teaching resource? **Think RADAR!**

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