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OPEN SCIENCE ASSESSMENT





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- Open Science assessment is experiencing increasing attention
- Initiatives such as DORA (Declaration of Research Assessment), Leiden Manifest and other are emerging
- From output to impact and contribution
- What is happening in this area in Denmark?
- 2019: Report on better assessment carried out by the Committee for Better Merit in Danish Research

Fremtidens meritering

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ASSESSMENT OF THE FUTURE

Purpose:

- ✓ Provide recommendations for a better assessment structure
- ✓ Set up concrete models for a more comprehensive assessment of researchers
- ✓ Highlight advantages and disadvantages

Main conclusions:

- There is a need to assess wider perspectives of academic careers
- Assessment of research must be based on a substantial peer review relating to all significant types of contributions to research results – and not primarily to publications and bibliometric indicators
- The assessment must be expanded, and to a greater extent cover the development and implementation of good teaching as well as dissemination of knowledge essential for the application of research in society

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Assessment of research	Assessment of teaching	Assessment of knowledge dissemination
 The full width of significant contributions to research results must be assessed and recognized at the universities 	 Teaching must be a professional domain for the scientific staff characterized by openness, feedback and professional development 	 The university culture must generally promote collaboration with the surrounding society
 The assessment of the research merits in connection with employment must be 	 The assessment of teaching merits must always be included in the employment of 	 Job postings can put more emphasis on dissemination of knowledge
substantial and qualitatively based	scientific staff	 Increased flexibility and use of shared positions can support collaboration and
	 Universities must set standards for the upgrading of teaching competencies 	knowledge exchange
	 A consistent documentation practice for teaching competencies must be developed 	 The use of peer review in connection with government services must be strengthened



OUTLOOK FROM THE REPORT ON OPEN SCIENCE

- Significant scientific progress and results are achieved through collaboration across research groups, universities and nations
- Lack of openness and access to data creates structural problems in research, including challenges with reproducibility, verification, use and reuse of data
- Open science must be seen as a part of a larger transformation within the organization and assessment of scientific efforts
- ♦ Challenges → Open science assessment is being explored at many universities, but still inhomogenous

CRITERIA FOR RECOGNIZING MERIT AT UCPH



OPEN ACCESS as an example



University status on the share of Open Access compared to the target of the National Open Access Strategy.

OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING AT SCIENCE

Number of publications published in 2019 with overall status Open or Closed: Peer-reviewed Articles, Reviews, Letters, Conference articles



Publications included are those defined by the Open Access Indicator, Ministry of Higher Education and Science (<u>http://oaindikator.dk/</u>) Source: CURIS



TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION OF OPEN SCIENCE ASSESSMENT IN DENMARK

- A first overview over assessment practices at Danish universities was collected as part of the presented report
- EU level and international discussions on assessment including Open Science
- First step is to recognize various aspects of required merits
- Need for continued discussion in Denmark and robust assessment of impact
- Need to support Open Science, Open Access and Open Data with easy access for the individual researcher