



“Long-term preservation of scholarly literature in digital form is crucial to the mission of academic libraries. Researchers in all disciplines depend on their libraries to ensure the safekeeping of the scholarly record, underpinning responsible research methods. The CLOCKSS Archive is a unique community where libraries can take united action to collaborate with publishers and with each other to ensure that the digital research is preserved now for the sake of future scholarship.”

- Richard Ovenden,
Bodley's Librarian at
The Bodleian Libraries,
University of Oxford

Join Forces with the World's Leading Libraries and Publishers for Preservation

Since 2006, scholarly publishers and research libraries have collaborated to provide a global dark archive to ensure the long-term survival of Web-based scholarly content.

Today, with 300 supporting libraries and 491 participating publishers, CLOCKSS (Controlled Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe) operates 12 archive nodes at leading academic institutions worldwide. Together, we preserve the authoritative versions of over 51 million journal articles, 400,000 books, and a growing collection of supplementary materials and metadata information.

Why Participate in CLOCKSS?

Of the Community, For the Community - CLOCKSS is governed by and for our stakeholders. Our Board of Directors has an equal number of librarians and publishers making decisions together about policies, procedures, priorities, and when to trigger content.

As the only dark archive that assigns a Creative Commons license to all triggered digital content, CLOCKSS benefits the greater global scholarly community by enabling permanent Open Access to abandoned and orphaned publications. As a result, recovered content becomes perpetually available to anyone with Internet access.

Standing the Test of Time - CLOCKSS (Controlled LOCKSS) employs a unique approach to archiving (Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe) that was initiated by Stanford University librarians in 1999. Digital content is stored in the CLOCKSS archive with no user access unless a “trigger” event occurs. To date, 66 titles have been triggered and made available via open access.



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The LOCKSS technology regularly checks the validity of stored data and preserves it for the long term.

CLOCKSS's secure, robust, and decentralized infrastructure can withstand threats from technological, economic, environmental, and political failures. A destructive event in one location won't jeopardize the survival of preserved digital content because the 11 other locations serve as mirror sites to back-up and repair the disrupted location's archive.

Financially Secure and Sustainable - As an independent 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable organization, CLOCKSS is committed to keeping fees affordable, to allow libraries and publishers of all sizes and budgets to participate in CLOCKSS. Low operating costs make it possible to keep this commitment.

CLOCKSS ARCHIVE NODES

Australia National University * Australia
Humboldt University – Berlin * Germany
Indiana University * USA
National Institute of Informatics * Japan
OCLC * USA
Rice University * USA
Stanford University * USA x 2
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore * Italy
University of Alberta * Canada
University of Edinburgh * United Kingdom
University of Virginia * USA

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