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Open Access Week 2023: Community over Commercialization



It's International Open Access Week! Every October, libraries, societies, publishers, and authors around the world promote openness as a pathway to knowledge equity and a tool to address the inequalities that shape societies. This year's theme is Community over Commercialization designed to encourage "a candid conversation about which approaches to open scholarship prioritize the best interests of the public and the academic community—and which do not."

Open Access Week is part of a larger open science movement aimed at making research results freely available online without restrictions. Open access guarantees that research findings from projects funded by taxpayers or public institutions are readily available to the public, raising awareness of scientific advancements and building trust through increased transparency. Efforts made to democratize access also benefit research communities by enhancing innovation and collaboration while allowing researchers to build upon existing knowledge. Additionally, Open access journals promote equal opportunity for researchers seeking affordable publishing and generate a wider audience for their work. Over this week, Galter library will highlight some of the exciting contributions being made to open access through research centers and faculty publications here at Feinberg.

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