

## **PLAGIARISM IS EVERYWHERE: DETECTING AND REPORTING PLAGIARISM IN PREDATORY JOURNALS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

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**Abstract:** This presentation will describe the current state of predatory journals and publishers in the context of plagiarism and intellectual property theft. With author-pays open-access, authors become the publishers' customers, a relationship that disincentivizes the detection and rejection of plagiarized scholarly manuscripts. The talk will also describe new methods of defeating plagiarism detection – such as article spinning – and will critically analyze methods of detecting plagiarism. It'll also examine the risky, thankless, and generally futile task of reporting plagiarism. The stigma associated with plagiarism seems to have decreased, perhaps signaling a cultural change, as higher education institutions continue to grant credit for work published in predatory journals, including plagiarized work.

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