Your responses are confidential and data will be reported only in aggregated form. Because your answers are extremely important to the accuracy of our study, please answer the questionnaire even if you are unable to answer all the questions. We have tried to keep the questionnaire as short and simple as possible and yet achieve our study objectives. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Tenopir (ctenopir@utk.edu).

Section 1: Scholarly Article Reading

1. In the past month (30 days), approximately how many scholarly articles have you read? Articles include those found in journal issues, author Web sites, or separate copies such as preprints, reprints, and other electronic or paper copies. Reading is defined as going beyond the table of contents, title, and abstract to the body of the article.

   Number of articles read/used in the past month: __________ articles

   All questions below refer to the scholarly article you read most recently. Please note that it does not matter how long ago this last article was read.

2. What is the title of the journal from which this last article was read or, if not from a journal, what is the topic of the article?

   Approximate journal title: ______________________________________

   OR

   General topic of article: ______________________________________

3. From what source/form did you read this article? (Choose only the one best answer).

   □ 1. A personal print subscription
   □ 2. A personal electronic subscription
   □ 3. A library print subscription
   □ 4. A library electronic subscription
   □ 5. A free Web journal
   □ 6. A paper preprint
   □ 7. A print subscription located in a shared department, unit, etc.
   □ 8. An e-print
   □ 9. A personal separate paper copy
   □10. A copy from a colleague, author, etc.
   □11. An interlibrary loan
   □12. A document delivery service
   □13. An author’s Web site
   □14. Other (please specify): ______________________________________
4. Thinking back to the source of the article (Question 3), where would you obtain the information if the source was not available?
   □ 1 I would not bother getting the information
   □ 2 I would obtain the information from (Please specify source):
   _______________________________________________________________

5. If the last reading was from an electronic source, where were you when the article was obtained?
   □ 1. Home
   □ 2. Office or Lab
   □ 3. Campus Library
   □ 4. Elsewhere (please specify): _________________________________

6. From this same source (e.g. journal, author’s Web site, preprint archive), how many articles did you read in the last year (12 months)?
   _______________ articles

7. What is the year of the article you last read (e.g., 2004, 2005, etc.)? _______________

8. Had you read this article prior to this particular reading?
   □ 1 Yes   □ 2 No

9. Prior to your first reading of this article, did you know about the information reported or discussed in this article?
   □ 1 Yes   □ 2 No

10. How thoroughly did you read this article?
    □ 1. With great care
    □ 2. With attention to the main points
    □ 3. Just to get the idea

11. Please indicate your best estimate of the time in minutes that you spent reading this article the most recent time.
    _______________ minutes

12. How did you initially find out about this last article you read? Choose only one best answer.
    A. Found while browsing in:
       □ 1. A personal print subscription
       □ 2. A personal electronic subscription
       □ 3. A library print subscription
       □ 4. A library electronic subscription
       □ 5. A subscription copy in a print department collection
       □ 6. Other digital collection: (Please specify) _______________________
    B. Found while I (or someone on my behalf) was searching:
       □ 7. An indexing/abstracting databases (e.g., BIOSIS, ERIC, Medline, PsycInfo)
       □ 8. Web search engine (e.g., Yahoo, AltaVista, Vivissimo, Google)
    C. Other:
       □ 9. Cited in another publication
       □ 10. Another person (e.g., a colleague) told me about it
       □ 11. Online journal collections (e.g., HighWire, ScienceDirect)
       □ 12. A preprint/e-print service
       □ 15. Other or do not know (Please specify): ___________________
13. In what form was the article when last read? Choose only the one best answer.

☐ 1. Print copy (e.g., a print article)
☐ 2. Photocopy
☐ 3. Facsimile copy
☐ 4. Online computer screen
☐ 5. Previously downloaded, on computer screen
☐ 6. Downloaded, paper copy
☐ 7. Other: (Please specify) ____________________________

14. Approximately how much time (in minutes) did you, and/or someone else on your behalf (e.g., graduate student, lab assistant, librarian), spend in each of the following activities?

Browse or search for the article:

☐ 1     Your own time     ___________________ minutes
☐ 2     Someone else’s time on your behalf ___________________ minutes

Locate where the article is:

☐ 3     Your own time     ___________________ minutes
☐ 4     Someone else’s time on your behalf ___________________ minutes

Obtain, request, receive, or display the article:

☐ 5     Your own time     ___________________ minutes
☐ 6     Someone else’s time on your behalf ___________________ minutes

Download the article:

☐ 7     Your own time     ___________________ minutes
☐ 8     Someone else’s time on your behalf ___________________ minutes

Photocopy or print out the article:

☐ 9     Your own time     ___________________ minutes
☐ 10    Someone else’s time on your behalf ___________________ minutes

☐ 11     Other: (Please specify) ____________________________

Section 2: Purposes and Consequences of the Last Article Reading

15. For what purposes have you used, or do you plan to use, the information obtained from the article you last read?

Principal Purpose

(Choose only the best one)

☐ 1     Research
☐ 2     Teaching
☐ 3     Administration
☐ 4     Writing proposals, reports, article, etc.
☐ 5     Consulting/advising others
☐ 6     Internal or external presentations
☐ 7     Current awareness/keeping up
☐ 8     Continuing education for self
☐ 9     Other: (Please specify) ____________________________
16. In what ways did the reading of the article affect the principal purpose?

Choose all that apply:

- [ ] 1. It improved the result
- [ ] 2. It narrowed/broadened/changed the focus
- [ ] 3. It inspired new thinking/ideas
- [ ] 4. It resulted in collaboration/joint research
- [ ] 5. It resulted in faster completion
- [ ] 6. It resolved technical problems
- [ ] 7. It saved time or other resources
- [ ] 8. It wasted my time
- [ ] 9. Other: (Please specify) ________________________________________

17. How important is the information contained in this article to achieving your principal purpose? (Choose the appropriate number)

Not at all Important Somewhat important Absolutely essential

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Section 3: Demographics

18. What is the one field which best characterizes your area of work? (If more than one applies, please indicate the one which best characterizes the application of your work.) Choose only the one best answer.

- [ ] 1. Agriculture
- [ ] 2. Architecture and Design
- [ ] 3. Biology
- [ ] 4. Business
- [ ] 5. Chemistry
- [ ] 6. Communication or Information
- [ ] 7. Computer Science
- [ ] 8. Education
- [ ] 9. Environmental sciences
- [ ] 10. Engineering
- [ ] 11. Humanities
- [ ] 12. Law
- [ ] 13. Life Sciences
- [ ] 14. Mathematics, Statistics
- [ ] 15. Medicine
- [ ] 16. Nursing
- [ ] 17. Physics/Astrophysics
- [ ] 18. Psychology
- [ ] 19. Social Sciences
- [ ] 20. Social Work
- [ ] 21. Veterinary Medicine
- [ ] 22. Other: (Please specify) ________________________________________
19. Please indicate your highest earned degree. Choose only the best answer.
   □ 1 Bachelor’s (B.A., B.S., or equivalent)
   □ 2 Master’s (M.A., M.S., M.B.A., or equivalent)
   □ 3 Doctorate (Ph.D., M.D., or equivalent)
   □ 4 Other: (Please specify) ________________________________

20. In what year did you receive your last degree? _______________________

21. What is your gender:
   □ 1 Male  □ 2 Female

22. What is your age: _______________________

23. In the past two years, have you received any awards or special recognition for your research or other profession-related contributions?
   □ 1 Yes  □ 2 No

   If yes, please specify the type or name of award (if more than one, give the one you consider most important).
   ________________________________________________________________

24. In the past two years, how many journal articles have you published?
   ____________________________ articles

25. Have you ever submitted an article to a preprint service? (e.g., ArXiv.org)
   □ 1 Yes  □ 2 No

   If yes, how many in the past two years? ________________

26. How many personal subscriptions to professional journals do you receive, including those obtained as a member of a professional society? (Professional subscriptions are those which are personally addressed to you at your home, office, or lab.)

   Subscriptions paid myself
   __________________________
   __________________________
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   Subscriptions purchased by grant or other source for my personal use
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   __________________________
   __________________________
   __________________________

   Subscriptions purchased by grant or other source for shared use
   __________________________
   __________________________
   __________________________
   __________________________

27. Prior to your first reading of this article, did you know about the information reported or discussed in this article?
   □ 1 Yes  □ 2 No

28. How has your use of scholarly materials changed in the last few years?
   ________________________________________________________________