

## Journal Article Versions: *Slouching Toward Standardization*

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## The Problem

- Print journals >> clear versions of record
- Online journals >> multiple instances of a single article, even if using a single DOI

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## Online Article Versions and Sources

### Versions

- Original manuscript
- Accepted manuscript
- “Ahead of print” release
- “Final” issue release
- Corrected / amended

### Sources

- Author websites
- Association websites
- Institutional repositories
- Publisher platforms
- Journal databases

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## Which version to cite? And how?

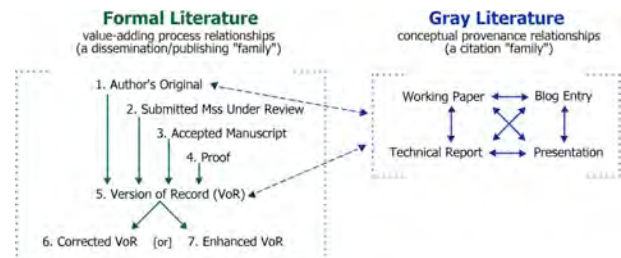


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## NISO / ALPSP JAV Working Group

- **Document:** use cases to identify journal article lifecycles
- **Analyze:** to determine common lifecycle stages
- **Recommend**
  - preferred terms to identify the most common lifecycle stages
  - appropriate metadata to support all variants
  - practical systems to ensure use of terms / data by authors, repository managers and publishers

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Journal Article Versions and Relationships, "Journal Article Versions (JAV): Recommendations of the NISO/ALPSP JAV Technical Working Group," ISBN: 978-1-880124-79-6 (2008).

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## Recommended version terms

- Author's Original (AO)
- Submitted Manuscript Under Review (SMUR)
- Accepted Manuscript (AM)
- Proof (P)
- Version of Record (VoR)
- Corrected Version of Record (CVoR)
- Enhanced Version of Record (EVoR)

## NISO JAV Survey: Preliminary results, June 2010

### Respondents

- Librarians: 60%
- Repository Managers: 20%
- Journal Publishers: 18.5%
- Journal Editors: 1.5%

**97% - yes**  
article version  
indicators be used  
to distinguish  
iterations within an  
article's lifecycle  
(90% support  
standard terms)

## NISO JAV Survey: Preliminary results, June 2010

- **Version ID practices**
  - Terms, dates, etc.: 46%
  - No ID: 35%
- **JAV recommendations accepted – 65%**

## NISO JAV Survey: Preliminary results, June 2010

### • Who's responsible?

- Journal publisher: 51%
- Group effort: 14%
- Repository manager: 10%
- Unsure / other: 10%
- Editor: 9%
- Librarian: 4%
- Author: 2%

## JAV term adoption

- **53% - no plans**
  - 17% cite problems changing production workflows/systems
  - 10% lack of budget priority
- **16% - planning to adopt**
  - 17% publishers / editors
  - 64% beginning stages
- **11% - unknown**

## What's next?

- **Other standard options**
  - Dublin Core?
- **Other methods**
  - CrossRef's CrossMark?
- **Other studies needed**
  - NISO survey – expand to other audiences?