How to Utilize the Unpaywall API for Open Access Content and Resources in Discovery

• **Product:** Alma

**What is the Unpaywall API?**

• Unpaywall is a Database of Open Access Content that maintains links to full text articles and Open Access resources.
• The Unpaywall API allows for retrieving the metadata associated with these full text articles and resources.

For more information on what Unpaywall is, please visit the following article, "So, what is Unpaywall anyway?"

For more information on Unpaywall API that the Integration uses and how it works, visit their website [here](#).

**Why Should an Institution Consider Using the Unpaywall API Integration?**

• The Unpaywall API Integration in Alma allows users to discover and use Open Access and Full Text resources that may not normally appear or be available to them.
• Enabling the Unpaywall API Integration in Alma for use in an Institution’s Discovery Environment can take less than 5 minutes to configure and enable.

For Instructions on how to enable the Unpaywall API Integration, please visit this [Knowledge Article](#).

**What are some Known Issues with the Unpaywall API Integration?**

• Alma only checks for Unpaywall full-text access when opening the full view of a record from discovery (Primo VE).
• If the only available full-text source for an article or resource is through Unpaywall, it will not appear in search results unless the **Include results with no online full-text to request through Inter-Library Loan** filter is applied.
• If there is no response for a PDF in the Unpaywall API Response, no Unpaywall Service will be displayed.
• Unpaywall is a third party Database. There may be occasional instances of incorrect links or links to non-Open Access content.

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