

# mySearch changed my life – a resource discovery journey

**EBSCO Discovery Service** 

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# In this session we'll cover...

- mySearch: the federated years
- mySearch: choosing a new platform
- mySearch: EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS)
  - Implementing a new system
  - Technical challenges
- Has resource discovery enhanced experiences at BU?
- Ongoing challenges
- Implications for library management systems
- Implications for information literacy
- Questions



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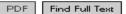
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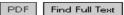
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- 0 Taylor & Francis Online Journals (informaworld)



# mySearch: the federated years

- Federated search
  - Webfeat was a limited product
  - Poor student experience slow, awkward, difficult to navigate
  - Poor academic experience limited researcher tools
  - Poor librarian experience so we didn't promote it!
  - US and Australia focussed
  - Improvements implemented very slowly if at all
  - Now subsumed into Serials Solutions' 360 Search federated search tool
- Galvanised us to change
- Got us on the journey to discovery...probably faster than we might!



# mySearch: choosing a discovery platform

- Why BU chose EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS)
  - Well established working relationship with EBSCO as a subscription agent;
  - BU licenses 20+ EBSCO databases and other eresource tools (e.g. link resolver; A-Z e-journals app)
  - Users familiar with EBSCOhost platform;
  - Ease of integration of other EBSCO products and linking technologies;
  - Opportunity to help shape and develop the product;
  - EBSCO desire to make it work
  - EDS priced competitively



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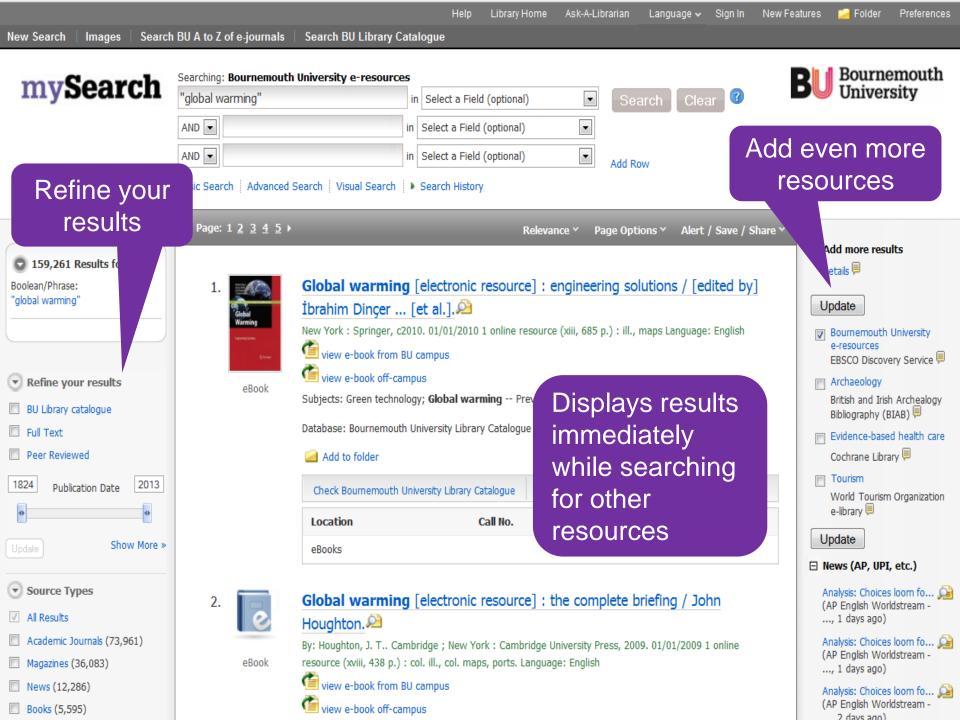
- Why EBSCO wanted BU involved
  - BETA Partner
    - Initially 20 globally
    - UK Bournemouth University, University of Liverpool
    - Flexibility willingness to quickly pilot new functionality
  - Integration of 3<sup>rd</sup> party suppliers e.g.
    - Talis Library Catalogue
    - Eprints Institutional Repository
    - BIAB (British and Irish Archaeological Bibliography)
  - Integration of BU CHAT widget, based on template/api
  - Integration with the VLE (Blackboard)

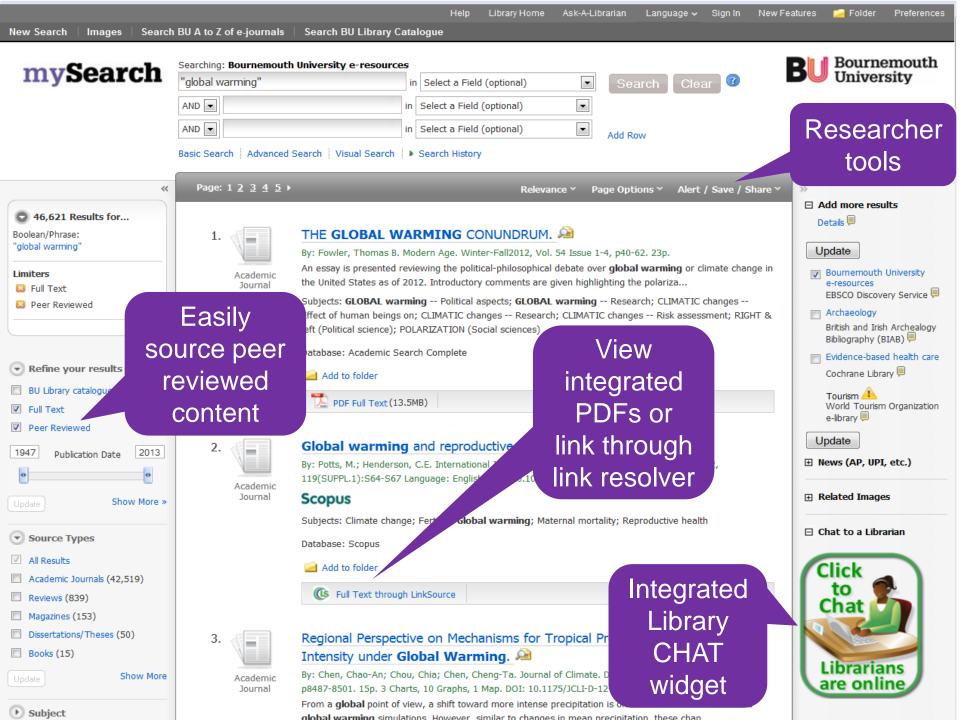


### **mySearch: EBSCO Discovery Service** BU Implementation

- Launched Summer 2010 (only 2 month lead time)
- Maintained mySearch branding to minimise confusion.
- BU have a single view
  - Facets, filtering
  - Benefits interdisciplinary searching
- Decided against implementing prescriptive subject searching
  - Webfeat experience
  - Time, resourcing
  - Limited perceived benefits
- Good technical support

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# Which resources have you searched?

- Integrated search across databases and Library Catalogue
- More than 90 EBSCO databases plus publisher feeds and other sources
- Traditional data sources are less relevant with resource discovery...
- ...But it's useful for students and academics to see!

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Selected e-resources



## mySearch: EBSCO Discovery Service Technical challenges

- Authentication
  - Improving linking
  - Initially EBSCO Technical support
  - And...wiki for sharing best practice
  - Transition from Athens MD to Athens Open LA took a while (vendors keeping pace?).
- Integrating 3<sup>rd</sup> party services
  - Metadata in EDS, but not necessarily accurate match with licensed content
  - e.g. Books 24/7, NESLI 2 vs USA licence
  - e.g. Journals bundles
- Local knowledge and expertise makes a difference!



## Has resource discovery enhanced experiences at BU?

- Broader searching we are all discovering more!
- Students
  - Fast
  - 'It's not quite Google, but it's easy to use'
  - One-stop-shop
  - Integrated Search Box in tab in VLE (Blackboard) – improved learning experience
  - iBU app with integrated mySearch



### **mySearch** integrated in personalised Library tab in VLE (Blackboard)

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## iBU app with integrated mySearch

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- Liaised with developers Ombiel about build
- Launched Nov 2012
- Library section lacksquare
  - Catalogue ٠
  - CHAT
  - mySearch
  - **Reading lists**
  - Free PCs
- Supports
  - iPhone, Android, Blackberry



## Has resource discovery enhanced experiences at BU?

- Academics
  - Genuine research tool citations in Scopus and Web of Science
  - Easy exporting of citations to reference managing software
  - Selected E-Resources function to reassure advocates of individual bibliographic databases



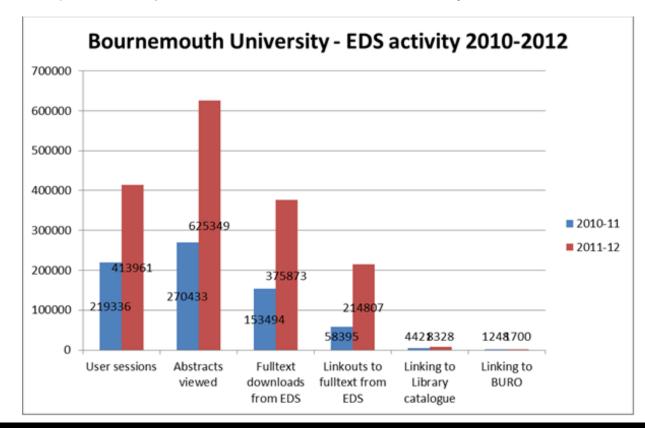
## Has resource discovery enhanced experiences at BU?

- Librarians
  - Easier to demonstrate in user-friendly single platform
  - Surfaces content from other platforms, providing another source if a platform e.g. library catalogue is offline
  - Impressive usage
  - Better value from our subscriptions significant increase in sourcing and use of metadata from databases that previously had little use



# Massive increase in usage

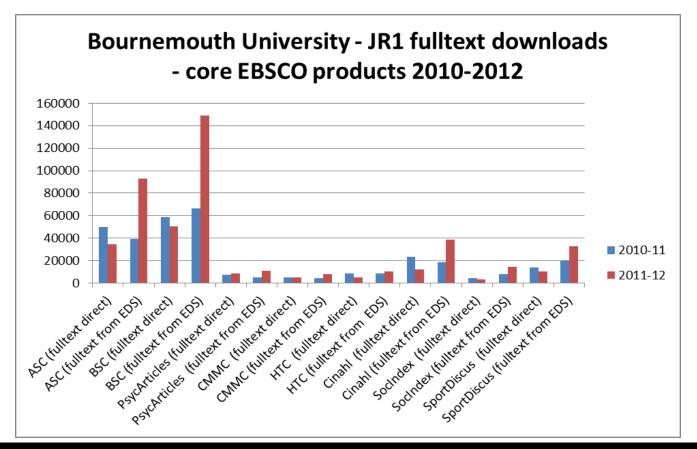
 Integrating local collections into EDS e.g. Library Catalogue and IR (BURO) has improved their discoverability





# Shift from specific databases to increased EDS activity in 2012

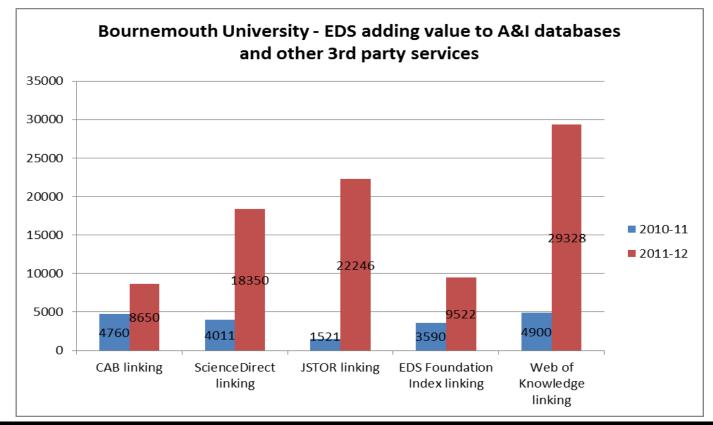
• Users are increasingly using EDS as default search tool.





## Adding value to A&I databases and other 3<sup>rd</sup> party services

• Increase in COUNTER JR1 usage of third party services such as ScienceDirect. Similarly the integration of metadata from A&I services





# Last 6 months

- Last 6 months (Aug 12 to Jan 13) usage up as compared to previous year (Aug 11 to Jan 12)
  - Sessions up 15%
  - Searches up 50%
  - Abstracts viewed up 37%
  - Fulltext downloads direct from EDS up 33%



# **Ongoing Challenges**

- Should we default to metadata or full text only?
- Should we integrate all we are offered?
  - Questionable relevance
  - Information overload like Google!
  - But you can choose what to turn off
- Metadata is only as good as supplier provides
- Linking out to full text for off campus access
  - Link resolver helps...but inconsistencies in 3<sup>rd</sup> party platforms create a perceived digital barrier
- Gaps in coverage law and market research are areas that need more metadata – but Mintel & Keynote on way



# Implications for library management systems

- Vendors need to work together
- Unless your LMS vendor is also your discovery vendor you still need an LMS
- LMS vendors are looking to have a discovery function in their LMS
- Will it replace library catalogue?
  - Yes, if it's easy to surface content
  - But, you still need an LMS or equivalent



# Implications for Information Literacy

- From a librarian's perspective, with one main platform it is easier
- For students it should be easier...
- ...but, evidence shows searching, evaluation and management skills are certainly not implicit
- So has resource discovery changed my life? Not completely, but it has helped!



# Questions?

