Online Journal Subscriptions

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Current state of SA online licensing

- In the past vendors & publishers approached university libraries individually
- The SA Site Licensing Initiative's (SASLI's) role is to centrally negotiate licenses and prices with publishers on behalf of tertiary institutions

• Achievements:

- 2002/3: 6 site licenses for SA cost-saving R29.6M
- o 2003/4: 9 site licenses for SA cost-saving R32.6M
- 2004/5: 44 site licenses for SA cost-saving R350M
- 2005/6: SA cost-saving R489M

SASLI'S status

- The Coalition of SA Library Consortia (COSALC) established SASLI in May 2002
- Current status: Section 21, NPO company since Dec 2004
- Proposed status: Investigate possibility to be accommodated in a national organisation eg the NRF or National Library of SA ...
- Current spending on online journal subscriptions by SA higher education: R80M

eResearch Support Service for SA

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Current state of SA <u>institutional</u> <u>repositories</u>:

- A number of initiatives are underway
- Rhodes & <u>UP</u> research institutional repositories are archiving SA journal articles
- <u>UCT Computer Science</u> department houses a research document repository
- Several institutional theses and dissertation repositories (UJ, RU, UFS, UP, <u>Unisa</u>, Wits, UWC)
- Sivulile ("we have opened") is an OA initiative that are funded by OSI, eIFL.net & Unesco. Several workshops on open access & institutional repositories have been held since 2004 for the tertiary sector (S. Veldsman, Dr D Peters, Dr H. Sulleman, J. de Beer)

Where are we going:

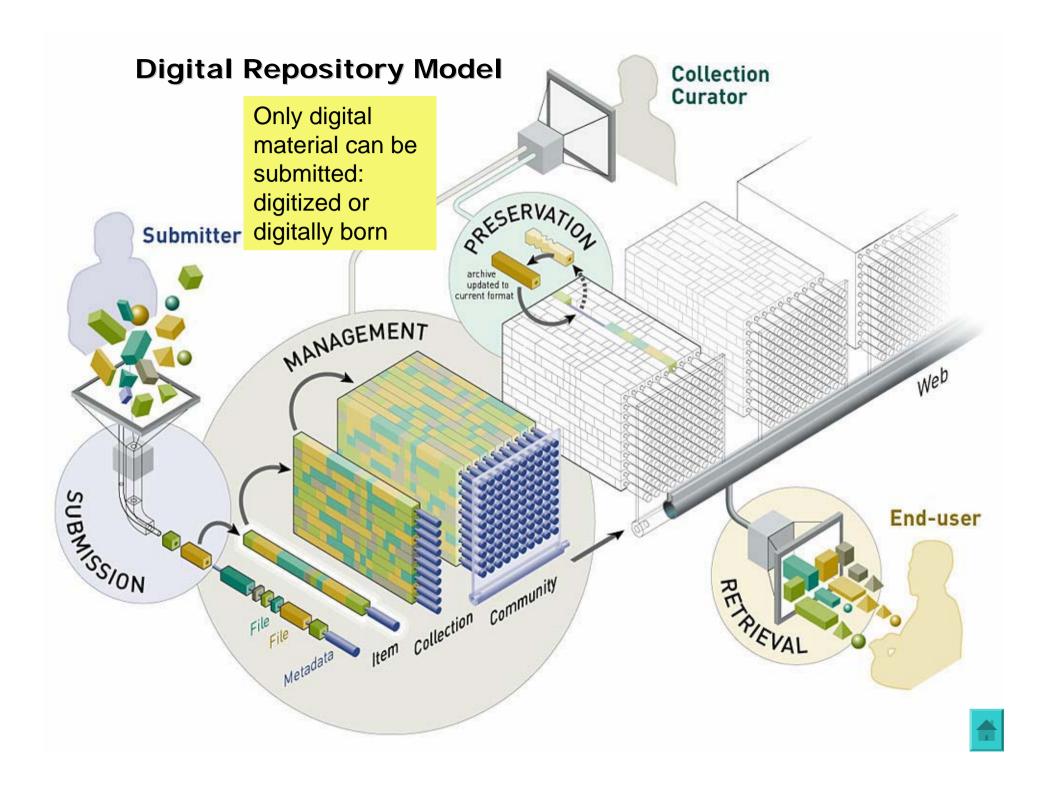
- Currently every university library must manage and organise their own online journal collection eg <u>Ebsco A-Z</u>
- No "Team SA" or government clout in negotiations
- SA often not seen as a developing country in terms of special deals eg <u>Hinari</u>
- No central SA OA repository or expertise or co-ordination on repositories available

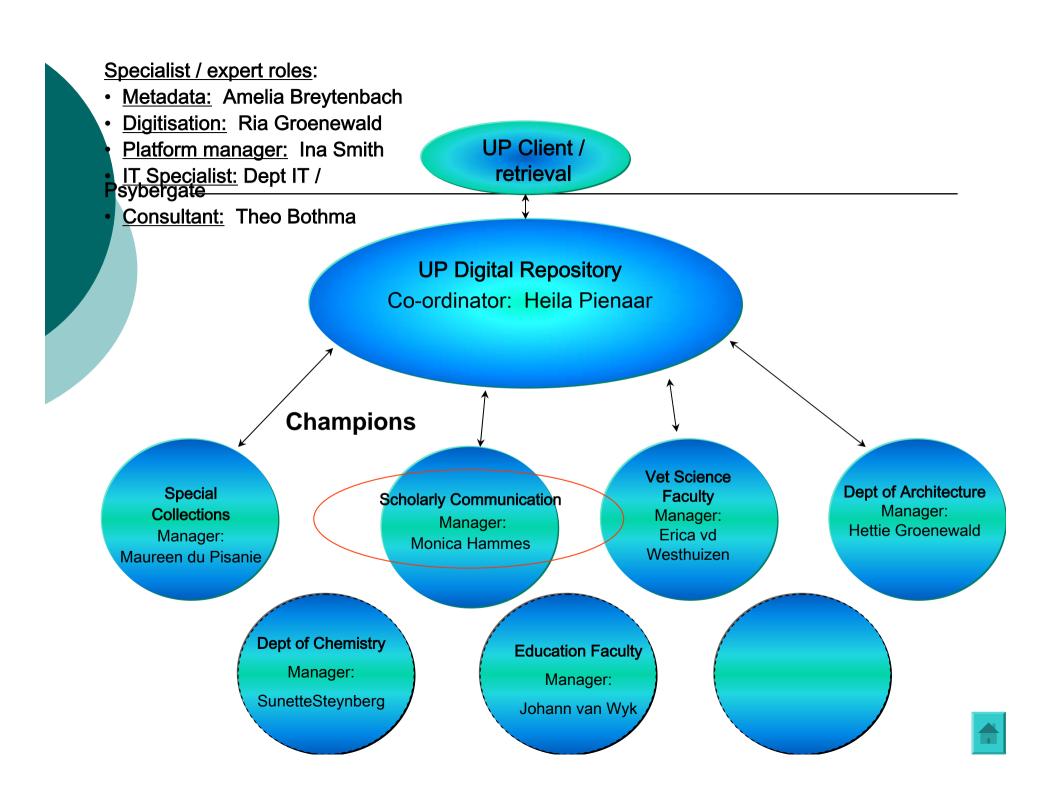
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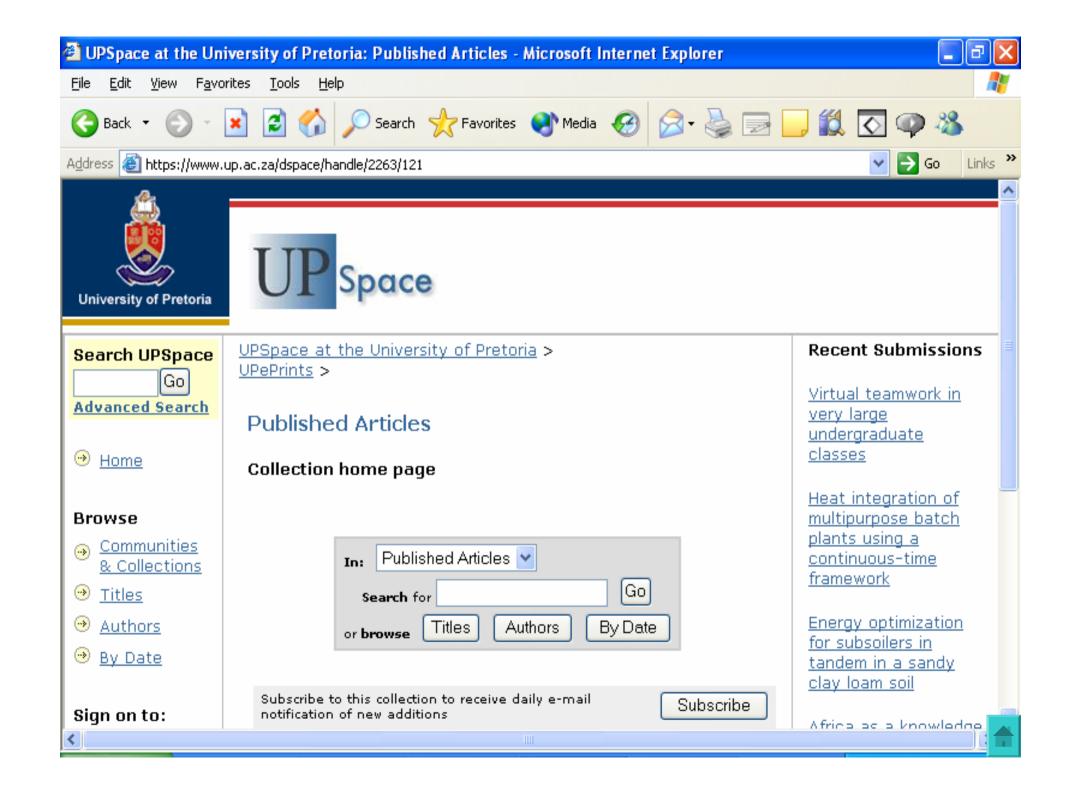
- SASLI part & parcel of eResearch support service
- Research portal as a one-stop-service for all commercial and open access journals (resource management)
- National funding and clout for core resources eg core journals available to the country as a whole
- Special licensing arrangements for specific sectors
- Pay-as-you-use option
- Central open access repository &/ expertise & coordination for SA
- Global search engine
- <u>Relationship</u> between SA eResearch support and a virtual research environment (VRE)?

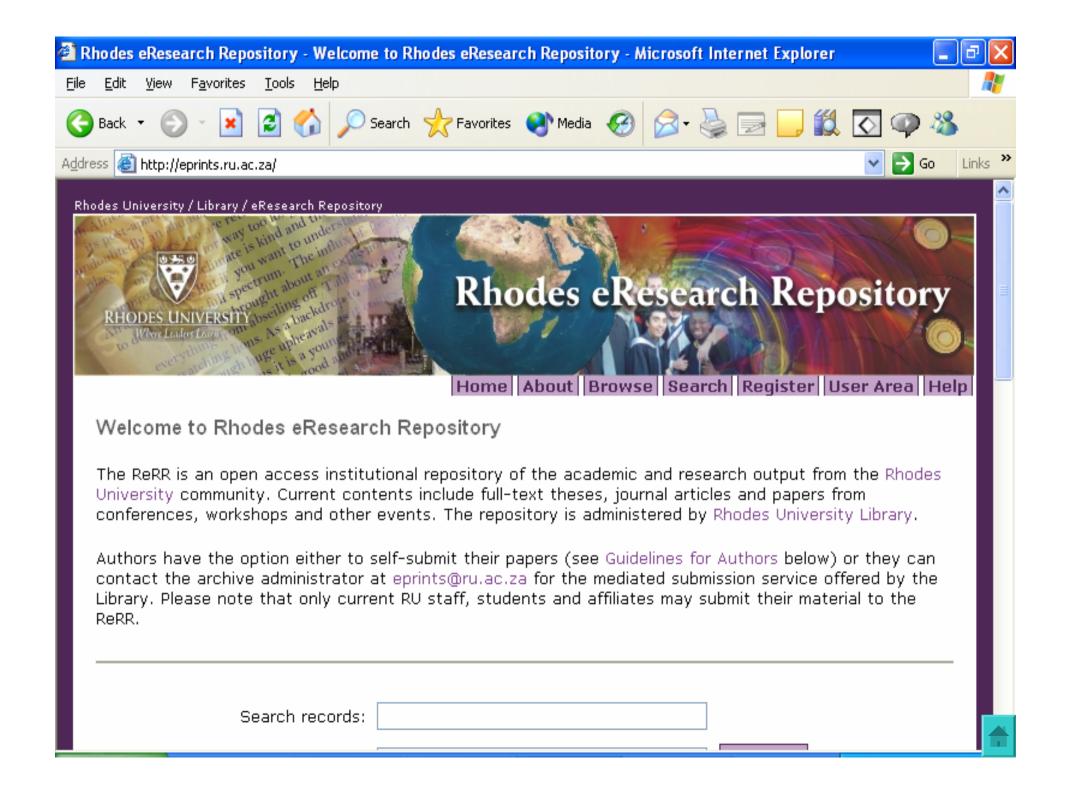
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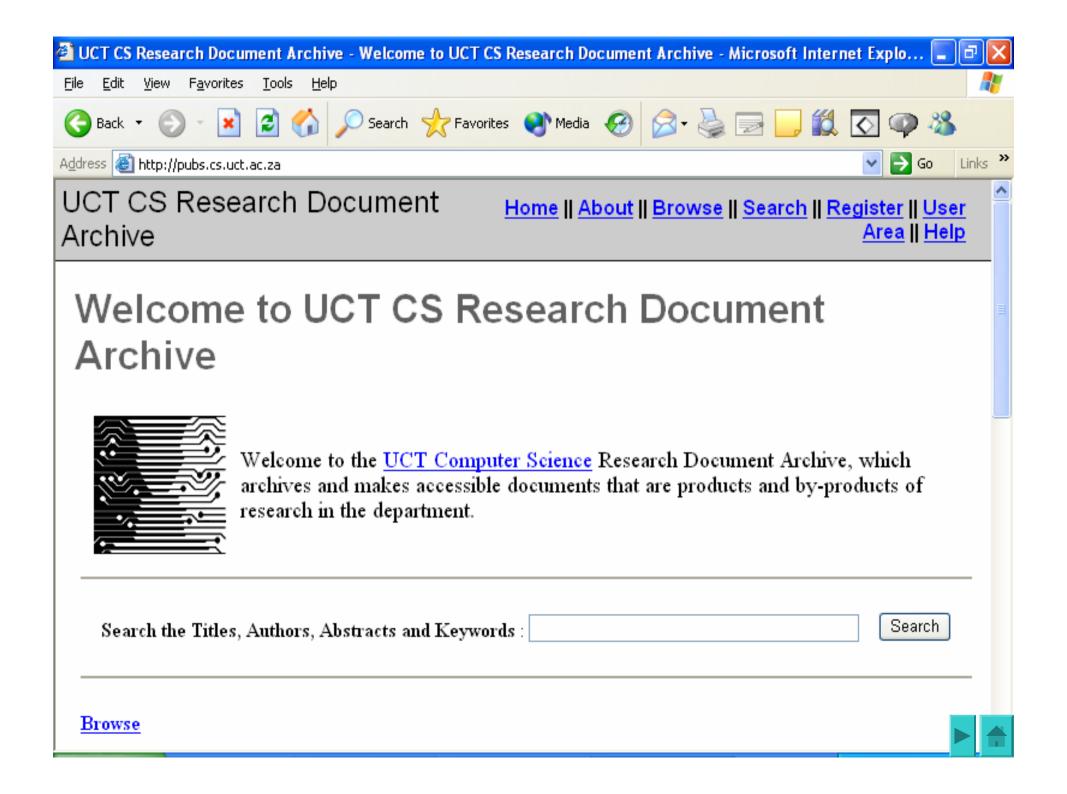
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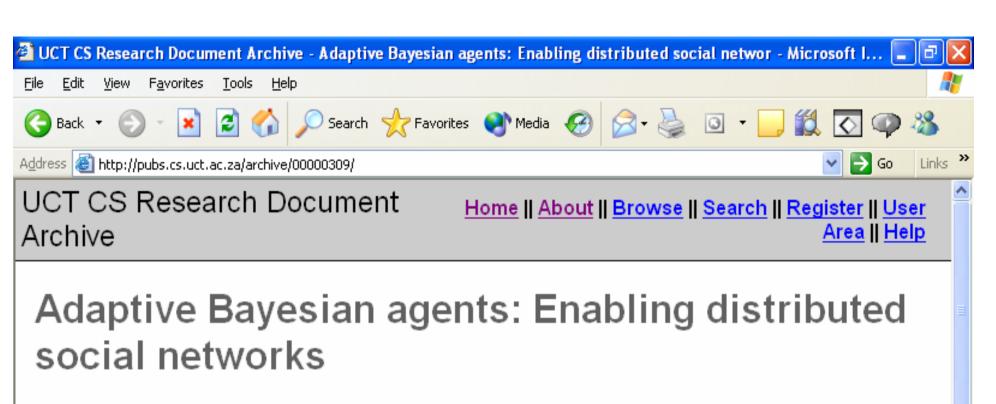












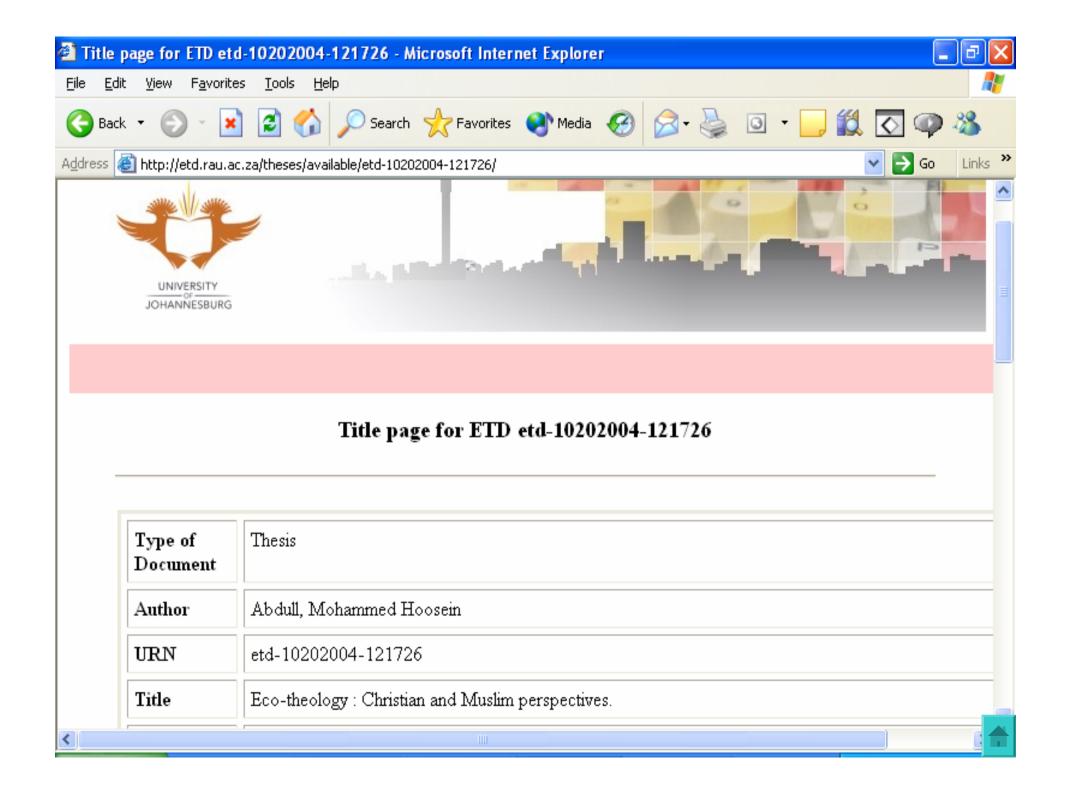
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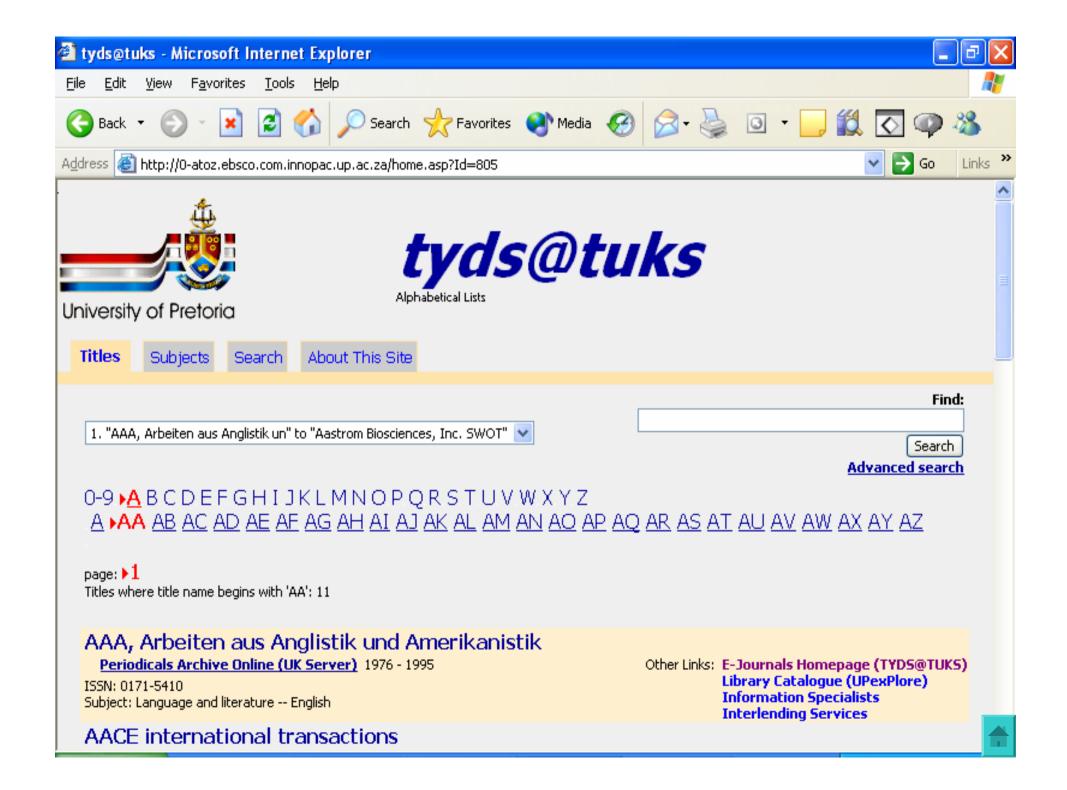
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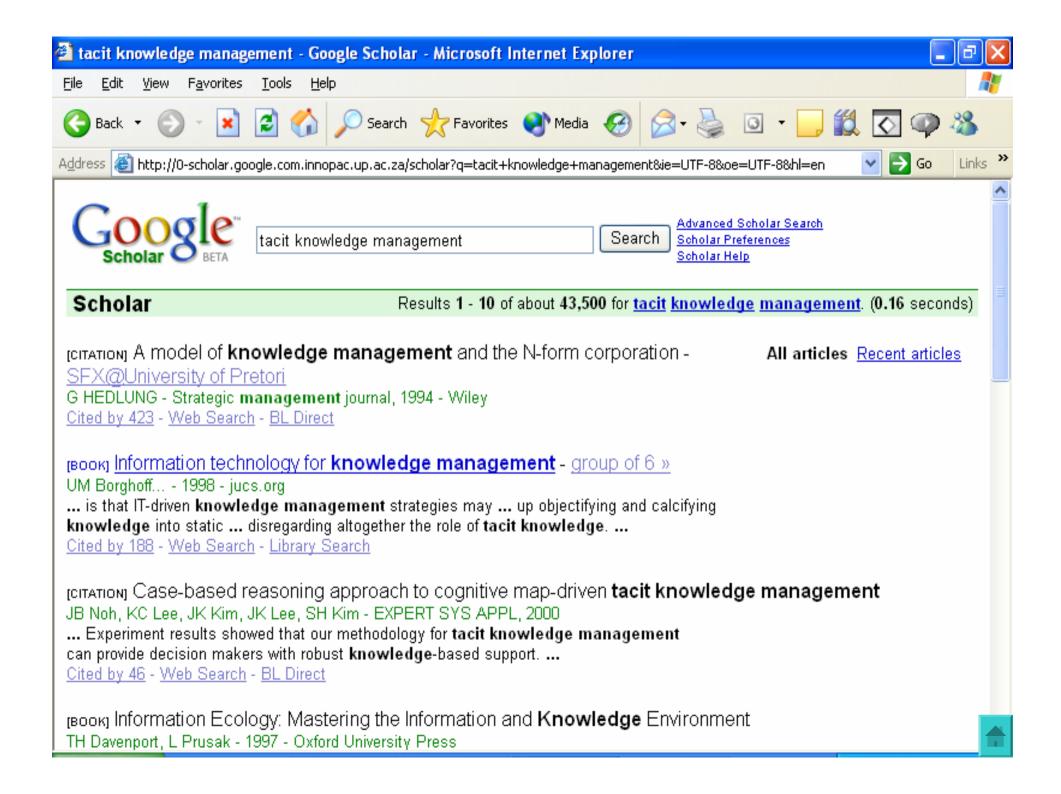
Abstract

This article brings together two views of organisations: resource-based theories (RBT) and social network analysis (SNA). Resource-based theories stress the importance of tangible assets, as well as less tangible ones, in the competitive advantage and success of organisations. However, they provide little insight into how resources are brought together by an organisation to generate core competencies that provide a source of differentiation that cannot easily be reproduced or substituted. In contrast









SA Research Support & Virtual Research Environment (VRE)

SA Research Support

(generic support)

Virtual Research Environment (VRE)

(specific support)



SA Research Support & Virtual Research Environment (VRE)

SA Research Support

(SA OA repository)

Virtual Research Environment (VRE)

(Research repository for research data, documents, conversations etc - secure)



