Research Support Requirements of CHLA/ABSC Members

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- Formed in May 2016
- Terms of Reference

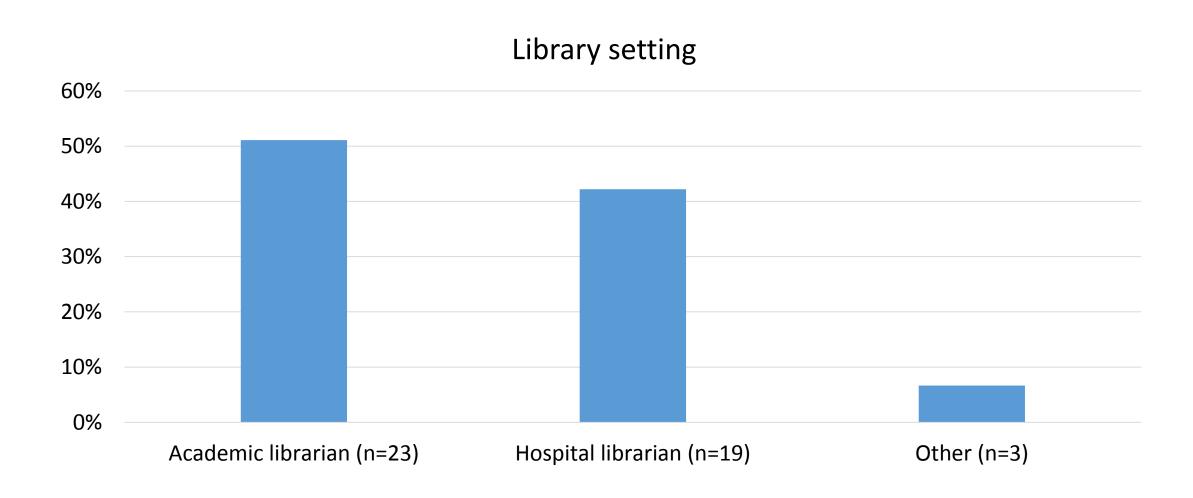
http://www.chla-absc.ca/docs/TOR ResearchCommittee 2017.docx

Survey description

- 23 items questionnaire
- Distributed through CHLA/ABSC ListServ
- Available in French and English
- Open for two weeks, two reminders were sent out
- Responses n=45
 - \circ French n= 3
 - English n=42



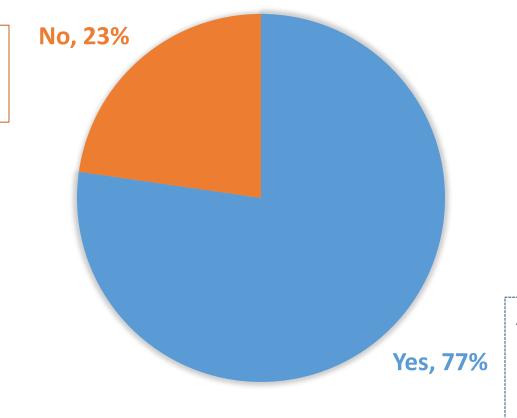
Demographic profile of respondents



Research activities

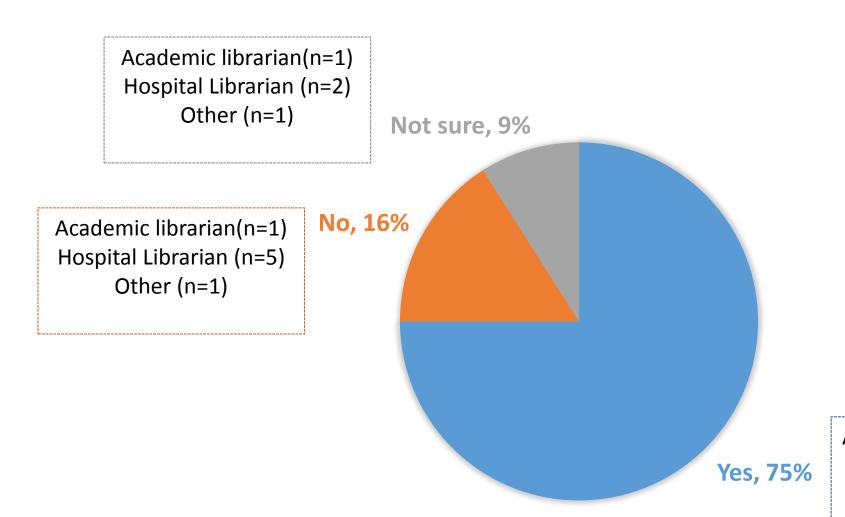
Research in the past two years

Academic Librarian (n=1)
Hospital Librarian (n=8)
Other (n=1)



Academic librarian(n=21)
Hospital Librarian (n=10)
Other (n=2)

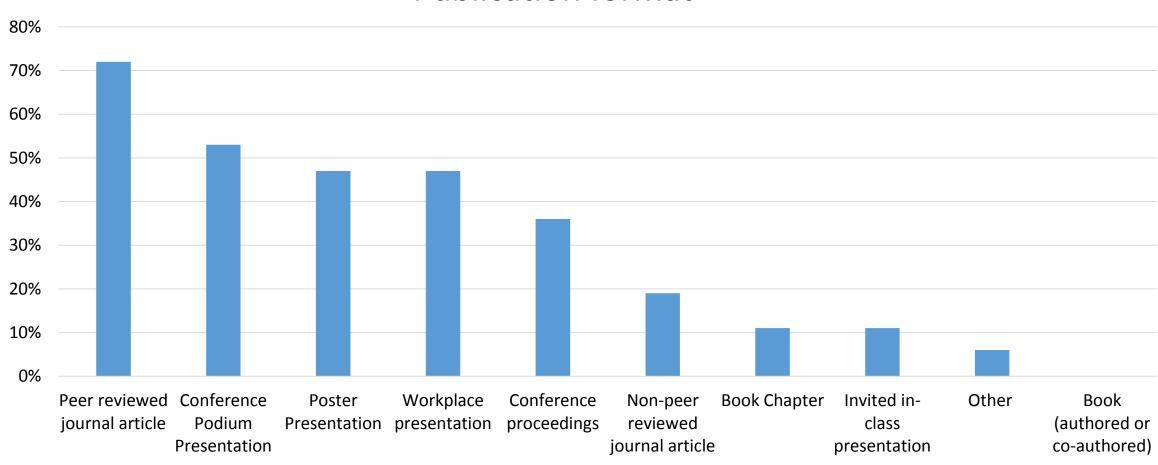
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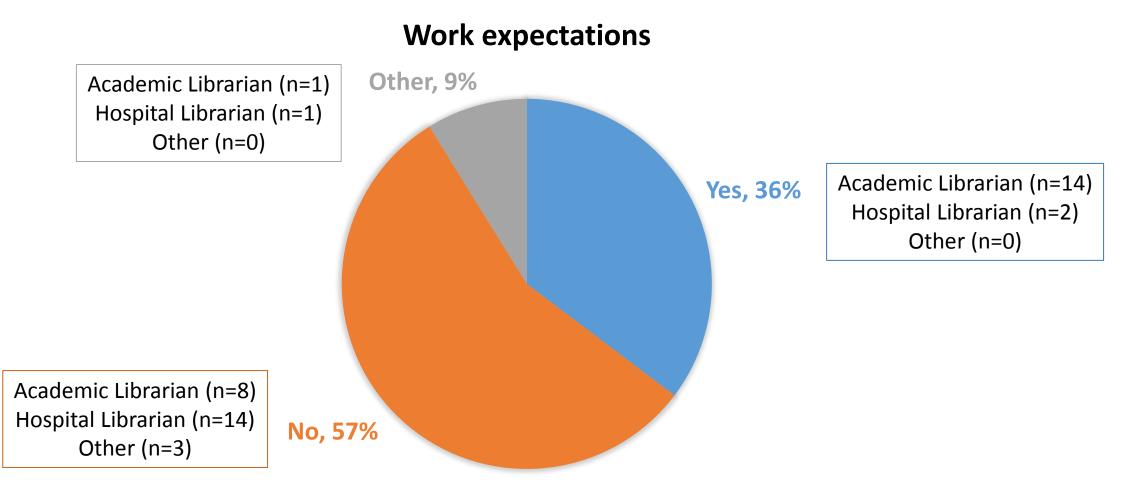
Research activities

Publication format





Research as part of job description



Dedicated time for research

Organization	Yes	No
Academic Library	16	3
Hospital Library	2	12
Other		2

Types of dedicated research time include:

- Sabbatical
- Study leave (range from ad hoc, 1 day a month, 12, 14, 24 days a year, 4 weeks a year)
- Research Leave
- % of time assigned to research
- Dedicated time
- Reduced workload

Available funding



Organization	Yes	No
Academic Library	9	5
Hospital Library	1	12
Other	1	2

Types of funding available:

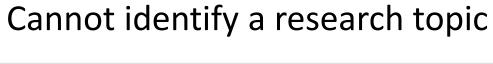
- Professional Development funds (conferences, software, travel, equipment, books, OA fees)
- Internal Grants
- Sabbatical/Research leave funding
- External Grants

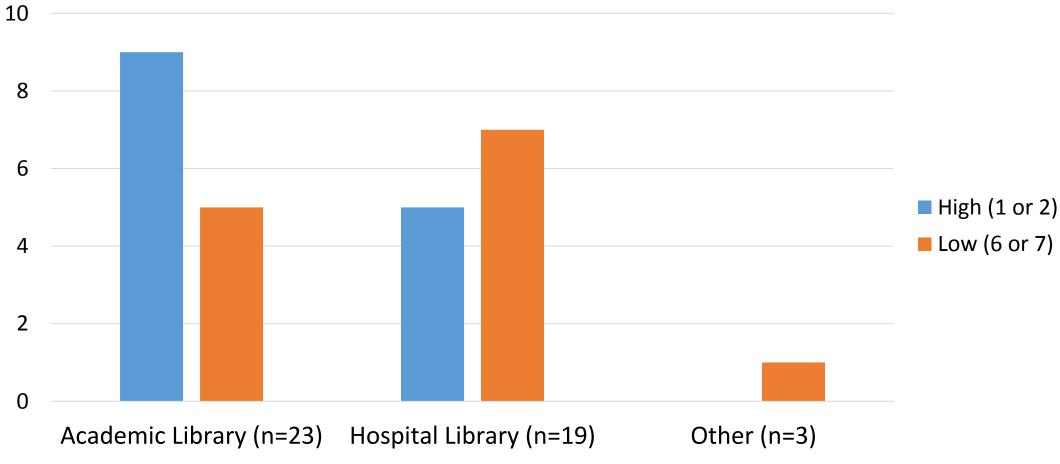


Barriers to research

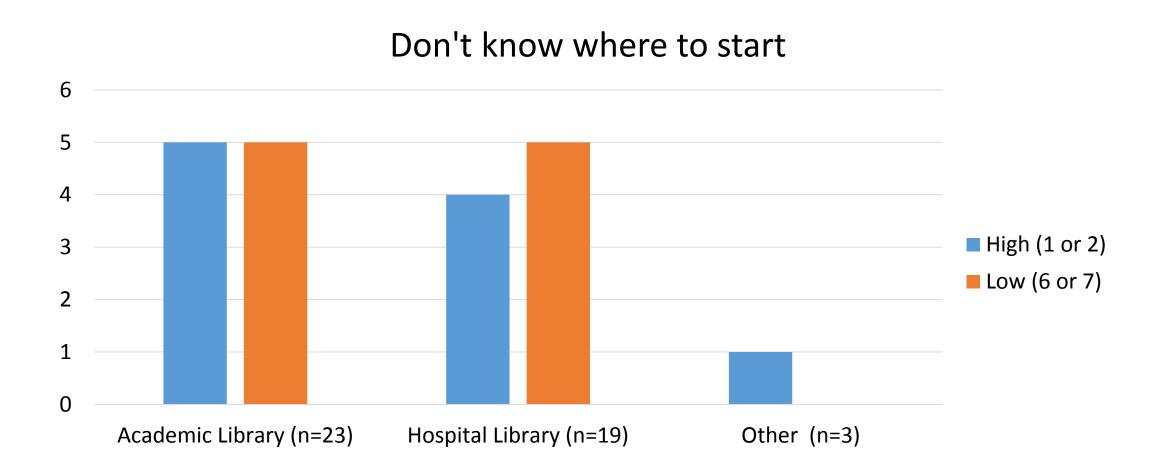
Order of	Lack of time	Cannot identify	/ Lack of	Lack of	Don't	Lack of	Supervisor/
priority (n=45)		a research topic	c funding	methodological	know	research	Administrat
				training	where to	mentor	or does not
					start		value
							research
High (1 or 2)	33	14	11	10	10	2	2
Low (6 or 7)	3	14	9	5	10	10	20

Barriers to research: subgroups

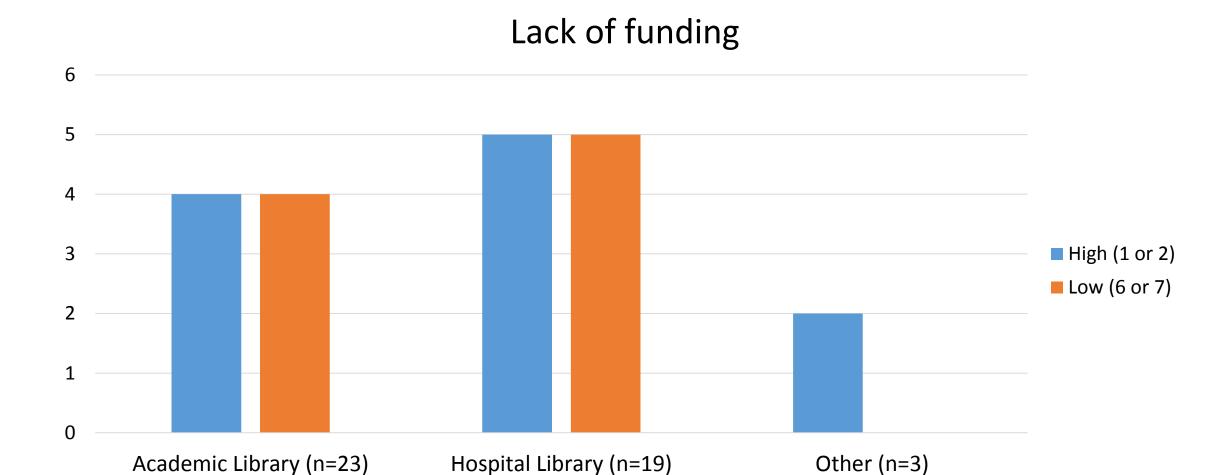




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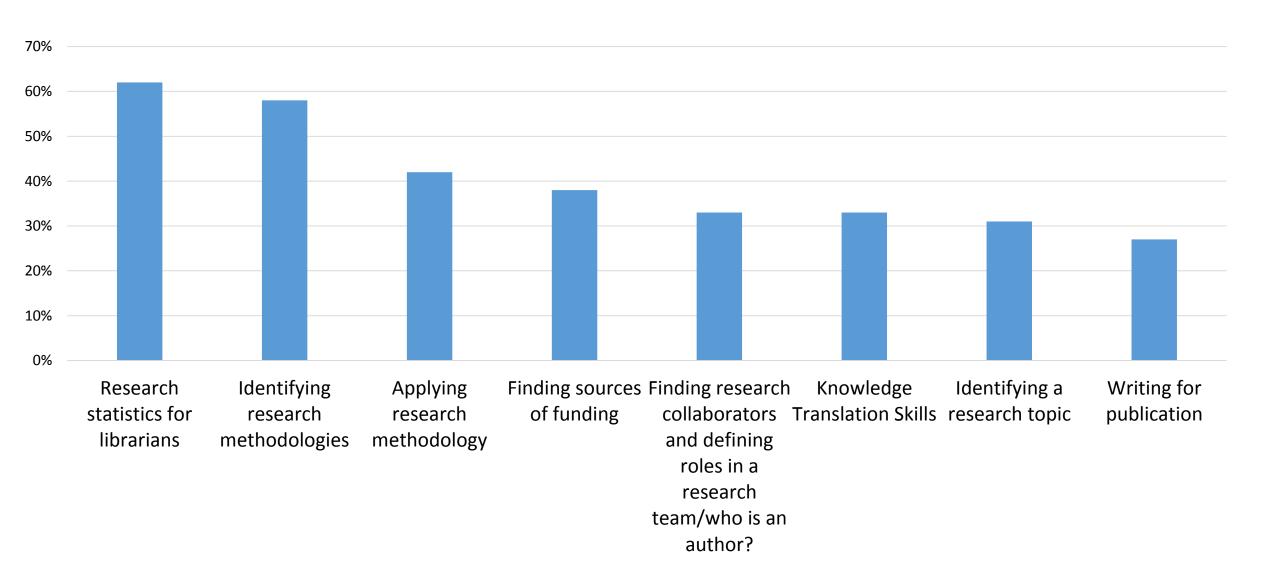


Barriers to research: subgroups





Desired research educational support



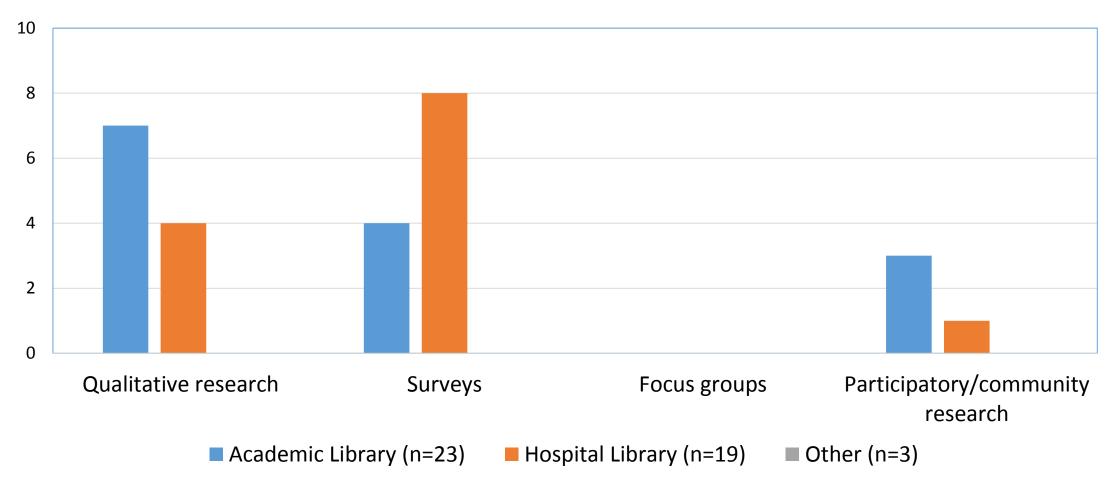
Desired research methodology support

The options were:

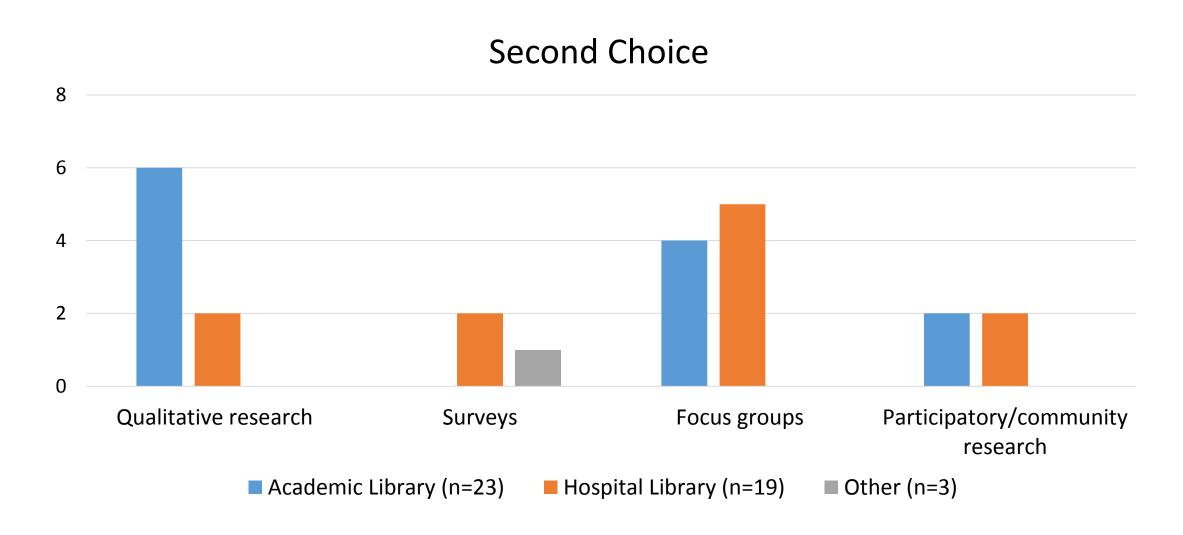
- Participatory/community research
- Surveys
- Focus groups
- Theoretical Research methods
- Qualitative research (e.g. grounded theory, ethnography, phenomenology)
- Systematic Reviews
- Scoping reviews
- Realist reviews
- Other kinds of reviews (mapping, integrative, etc.)
- Media analysis (e.g. textual analysis, image analysis)

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Format of the training

In person and hands on sessions are preferred for more complex topics like statistics, research methods, meta-analysis, qualitative research, etc.. including opportunities for homework, practice, and feedback.

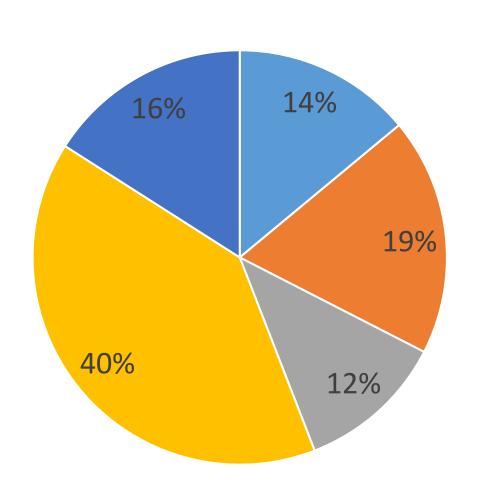
Self help and webcast sessions are preferred for less intensive topics including how to create posters and surveys. Self help and webcasts were identified as a means to overcome funding and travel restrictions.

Three (3) targeted specific research programs

- abstract or paper peer-review program
- mentorship program
- research question and answer list or blog

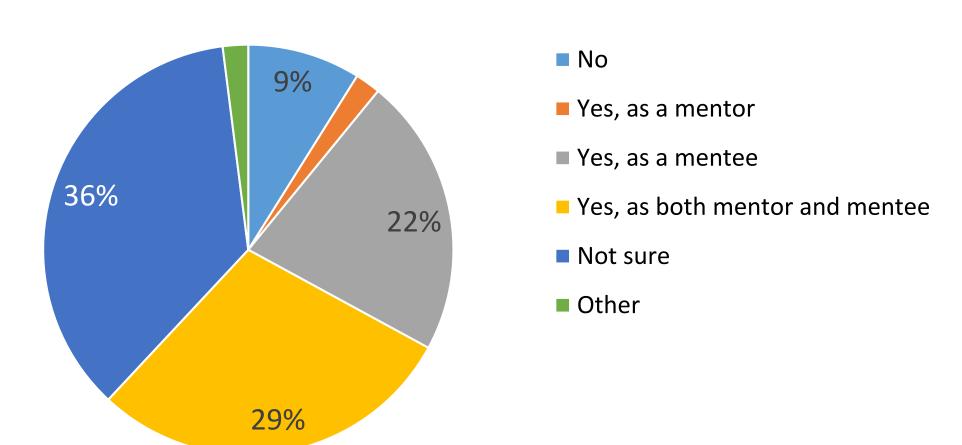


Abstract or paper peer-review program

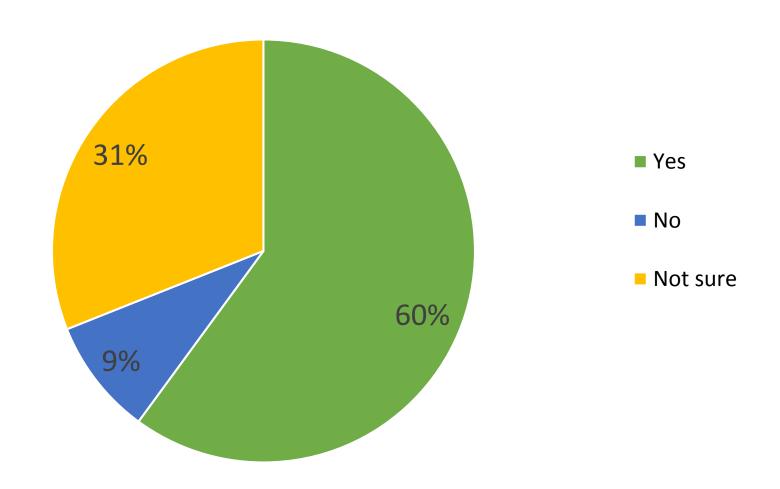


- No
- Yes, as a submitter of papers for review
- Yes, as a reviewer
- Yes, as both a submitter of papers and as a reviewer
- Other
 - Expectations and needs
 - Solo librarians vs. non-solo librarians
 - Responsibility of local chapters to tackle this as a CoP activity
 - Must be the last step in the development

Mentorship



Research Q & A list or blog



Research Toolbox



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I. GENERAL

- Connaway L, Radford M, Connaway L. Research Methods In Library And Information Science, 6Th Edition [e-book]. Santa Barbara, California: Libraries Unlimited; 2017.
- · LARKS ALA Librarian and Researcher Knowledge Space http://www.ala.org/research/larks/researchmethods
- . The Researching Librarian http://www.researchinglibrarian.com, contains information about databases, funding, journals, statistics, tools, awareness, proceedings

II. QUALITATIVE RESEARCH

- · Qualitative Inquiry and Research Design: Choosing Among Five Approaches by John W. Creswell
- Qualitative Research & Evaluation Methods by Michael Quinn Patton
- The Coding Manual for Qualitative Researchers by Johnny Saldaña
- . The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Research Edited by Norman K. Denzin and Yvonna S. Lincoln

III. QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH

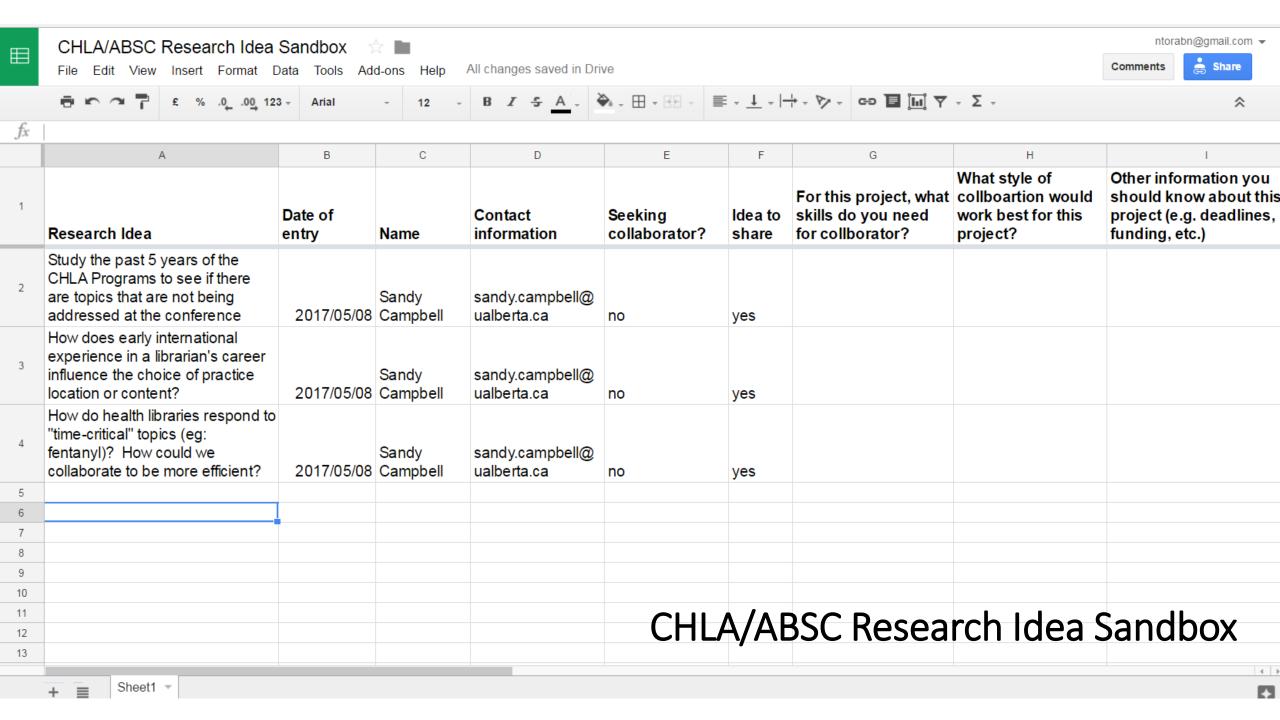
- . Morgan, Susan E., Tom Reichert, and Tyler R. Harrison. From Numbers to Words: Reporting Statistical Results for the Social Sciences. Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 2002.
- Sample Size Calculator, Creative Research Systems, Sample Size Calculator https://www.surveysystem.com/sscalc.htm

IV. STATISTICS FOR LIBRARIANS

Gillian Byrne. A Statistical Primer: Understanding Descriptive and Inferential Statistics. (2007) https://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP/article/view/168

V. TOOLS

- Library Research Service. Library User Survey Templates & How-Tos https://www.lrs.org/library-user-surveys-on-the-web/
- Harvard University Pregram on Survey Recearch, Questionnaire Design Tinchest https://psr.ig.harvard.edu/beek/guestionnaire.design.tin.sheet





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thank you for your attention!

Please attend the Research Interest Group Meeting

Salon A Wednesday May 17 4:30 – 5:30

