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**SCOAP3 and the Intellectual Contribution of the Mid-Atlantic Section** MATTHEW MARSTELLER, Carnegie Mellon Univ — The Sponsoring Consortium for Open Access Publishing in Particle Physics (SCOAP3) is a successful global partnership of libraries, funding agencies and research centers. United States academic libraries, with the cooperation of publishers, have supported the SCOAP3 endeavor by redirecting funds to SCOAP3 previously spent on subscriptions to particle physics journals. In turn, SCOAP3 negotiates with publishers to purchase their services for a set period of time - journals are selected via a bid process based on best offer and best quality criteria. The publishers then produce their journals as open access publications and provide SCOAP3 with copies for its repository. Purchasing the services of the publishers in this manner allows libraries and the particle physics community to have leverage in controlling publication costs. This presentation will both inform the audience about SCOAP3 and also delve into descriptive statistics of the Mid-Atlantic Section's intellectual contribution to particle physics via these open access journals. The descriptive statistics were generated using Web of Science<sup>TM</sup> and InCites<sup>TM</sup>.

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