

EVALUATING EVIDENCE-BASED ACQUISITION

AT MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Evidence-Based Acquisition (EBA) is a ‘user-driven’ acquisition model which is being piloted from February to August 2018. The project realises the Library’s plan to introduce “new acquisition, budget and service models for the provision of collections which will benefit our user communities” (Maynooth University (MU) Library Strategic Plan 2016-2018 Action 3.3)

RESEARCH



EBA Literature Review
Identified case studies
SWOT analysis



Review of current
eBook usage at MU
Library



Scoping report compiled
recommending MU
subject focus

METHODOLOGY



MU Library Working
group established to
oversee the project



EBA publishers chosen
based on mandatory and
desirable criteria



Publisher selected
Over 30K titles
6 month access period
Upfront fee

CHALLENGES



Marketing without
creating artificial usage
statistics



Ensuring fair usage



Discoverability via full-text
not always available

IMPACT



Purchase decision based
on usage



More relevant library
collection



Enhanced library profile
within MU