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Overview

- Why institutional repositories are important
- How do we get the health care community engaged
- One possible strategy

Disclaimer

I am not a librarian!

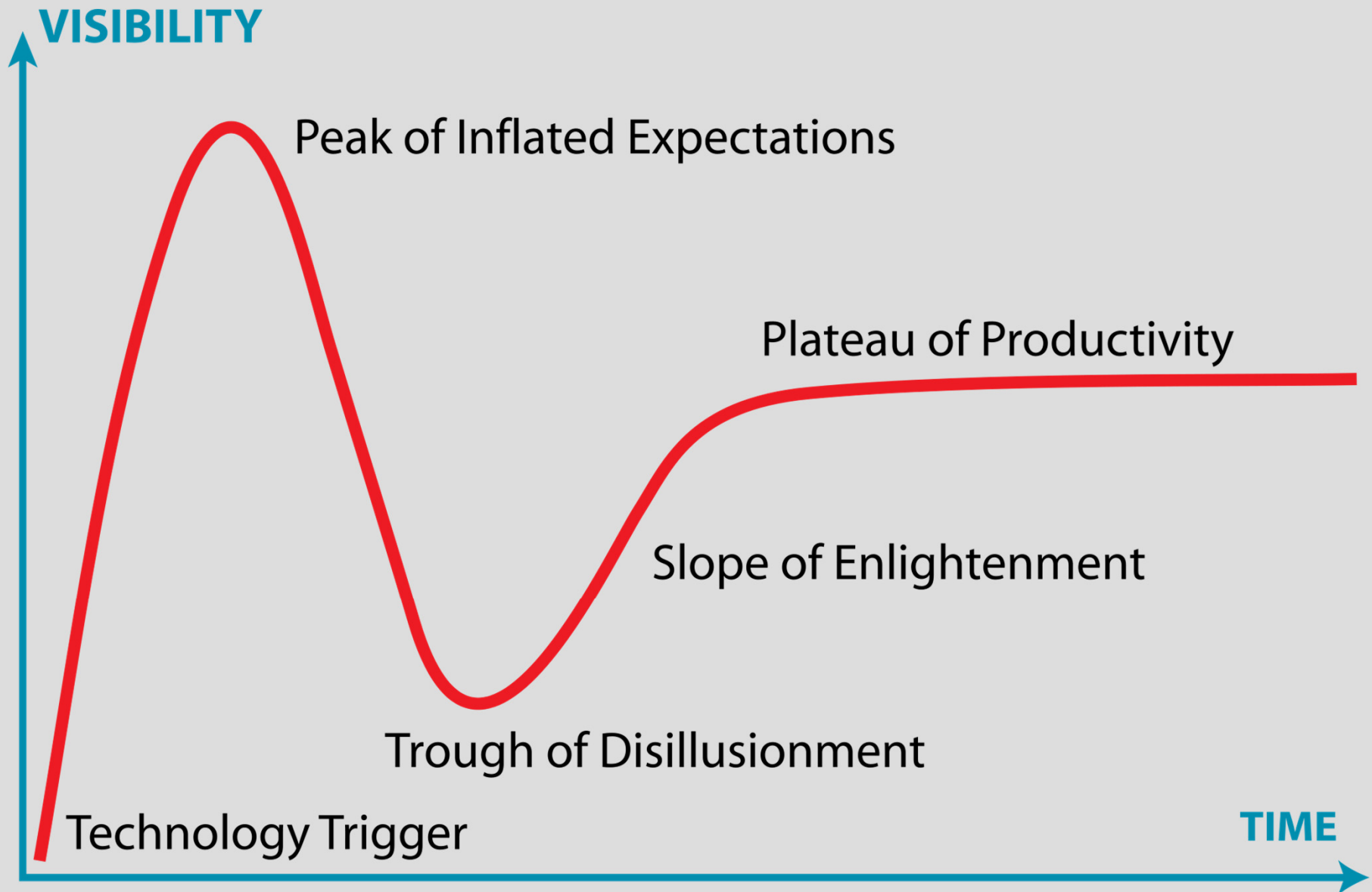
Why Institutional Repositories are Important

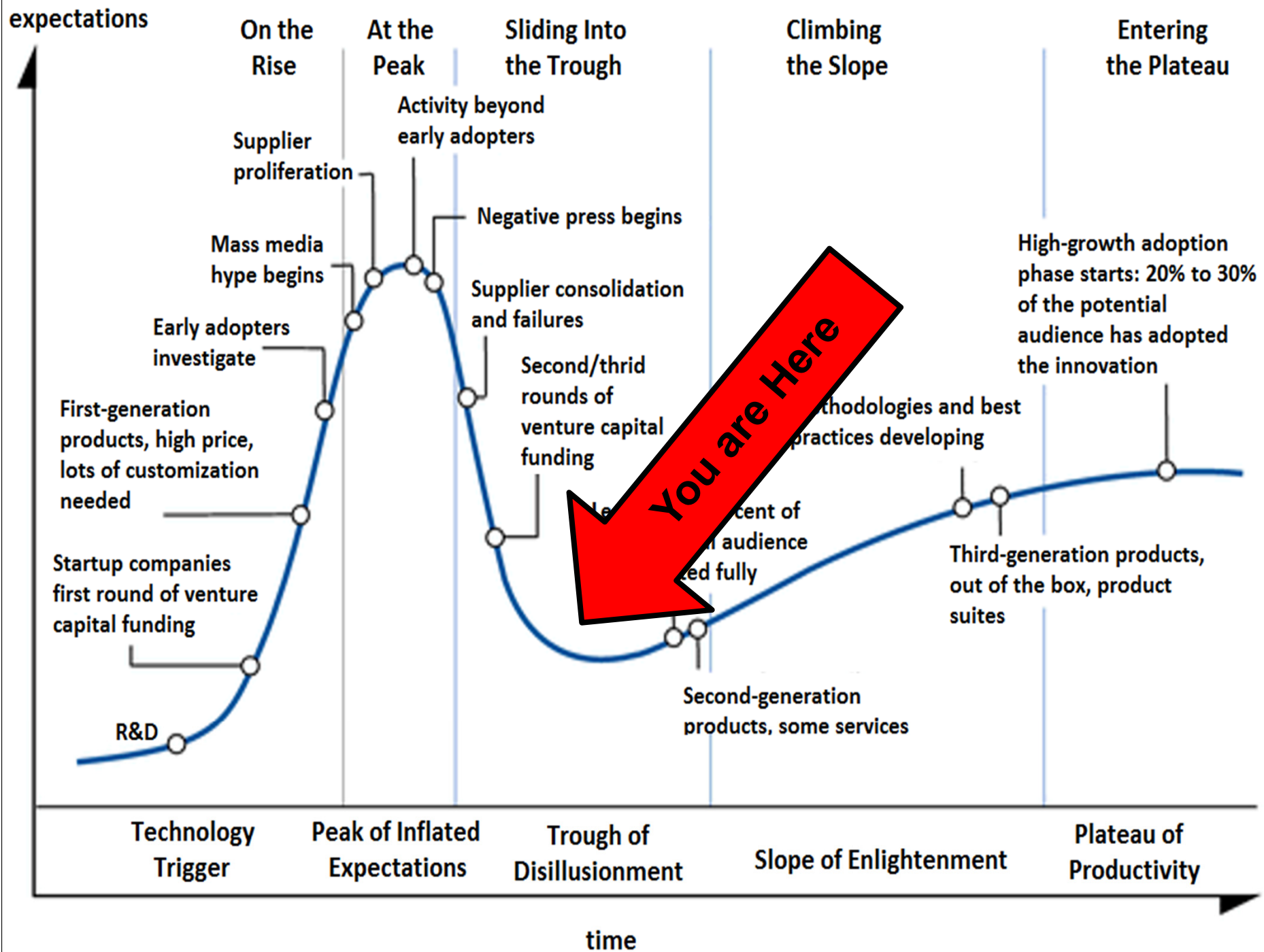
A bit of history



- Ann Wolpert (1943-2013)
- Developed Dspace
- First released on November 2002, as a joint effort between developers from MIT and HP Labs
- The original intent was to somewhat use IRs as a replacement for traditional journals

Food for thought -- The Hype Cycle





Interesting study

- December 2005 – July 2009 (44 months total)

Table 1. Average Monthly Access by Content Type during the First 12 Months of Posting

Content Type	n	Average Monthly Access	Range
Supplementary Materials	3	25.69	6.67 to 40.33
Informatics Course Papers	7	21.06	14.43 to 30.29
Slide Images	21	20.81	14.35 to 26.80
Poster Images	31	16.17	12.63 to 21.87

From: Kroth PJ, Phillips, HJ, Hannigan G. Institutional Repository Access Patterns of Nontraditionally Published Academic Content: What Types of Content are Accessed the Most? J Electron Res Med Libr. 2010 Aug 25; 7(3):189-95.

Figure 1. Supplementary Materials. Average “Hits” by Months Since Deposit

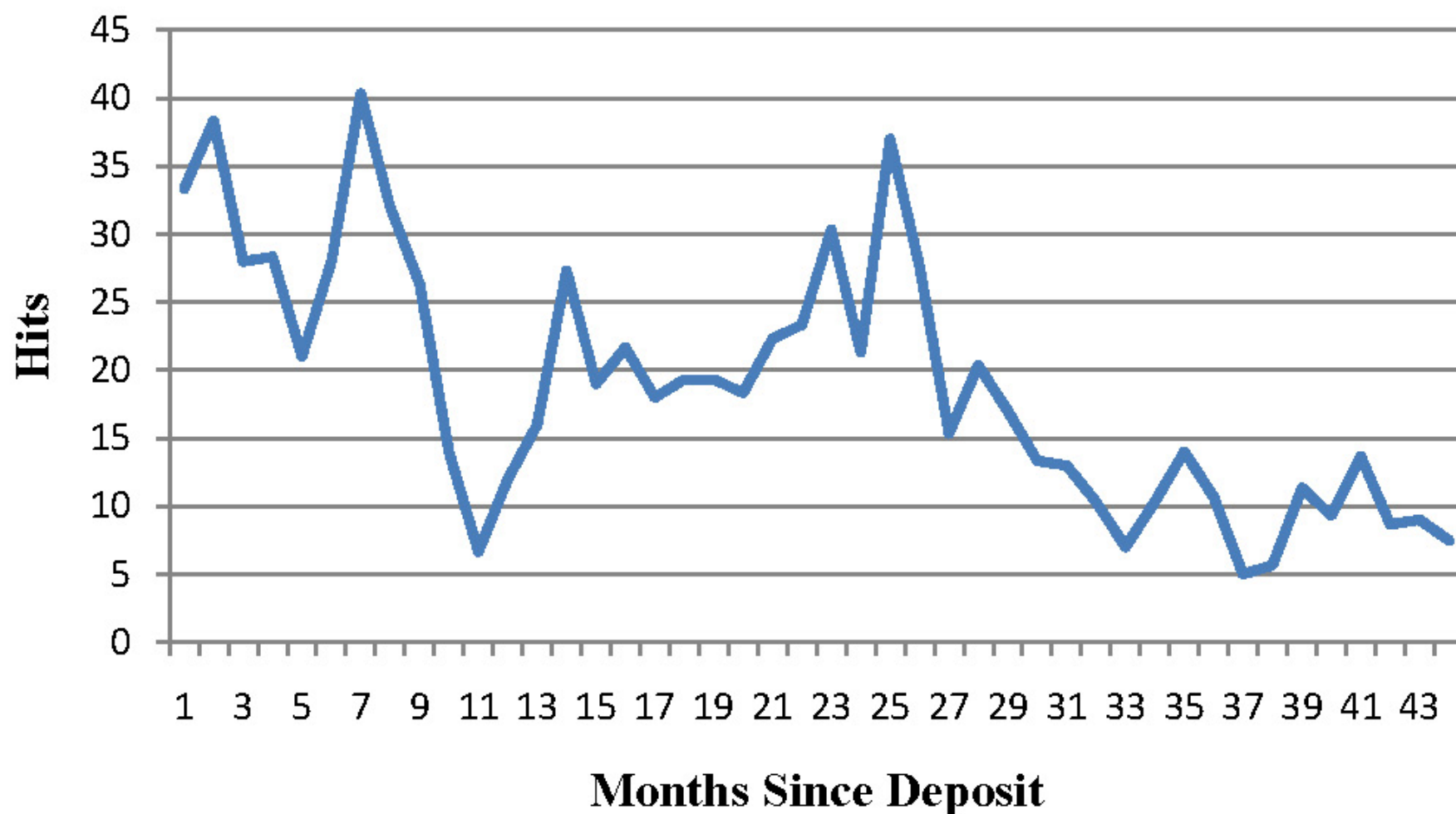


Figure 2. Informatics Course Papers. Average “Hits” by Months Since Deposit

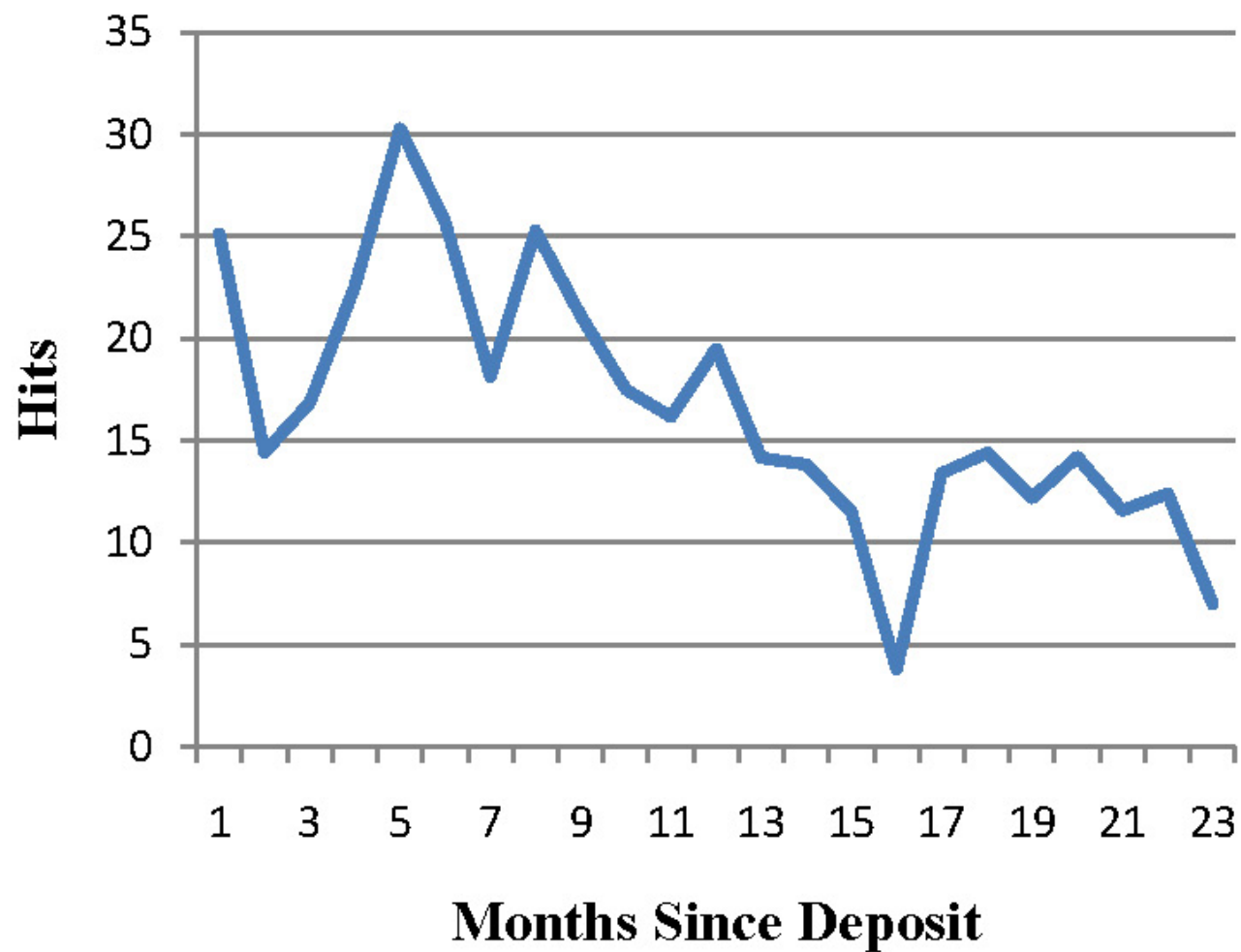


Figure 3. Slide Images. Average “Hits” by Months Since Deposit

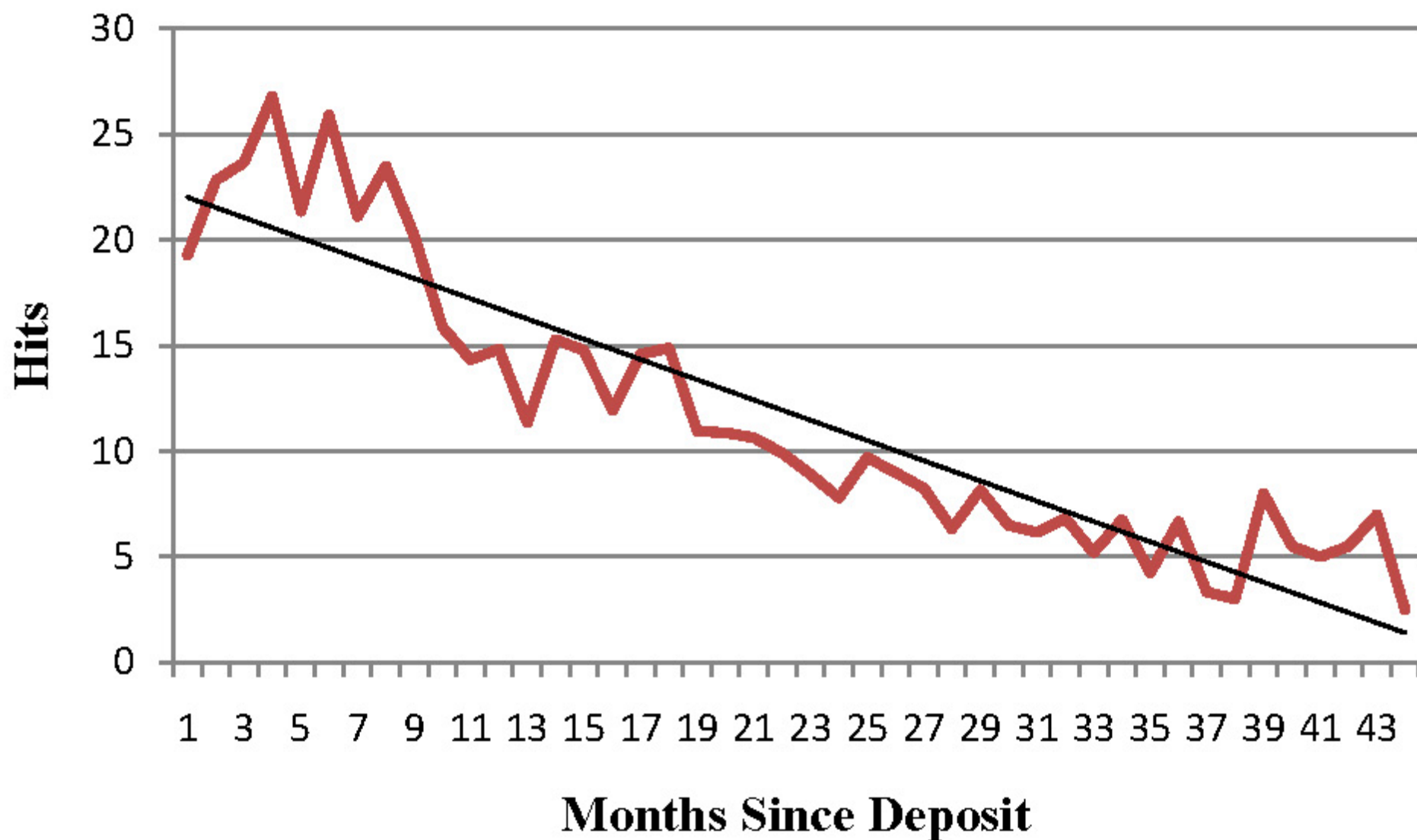
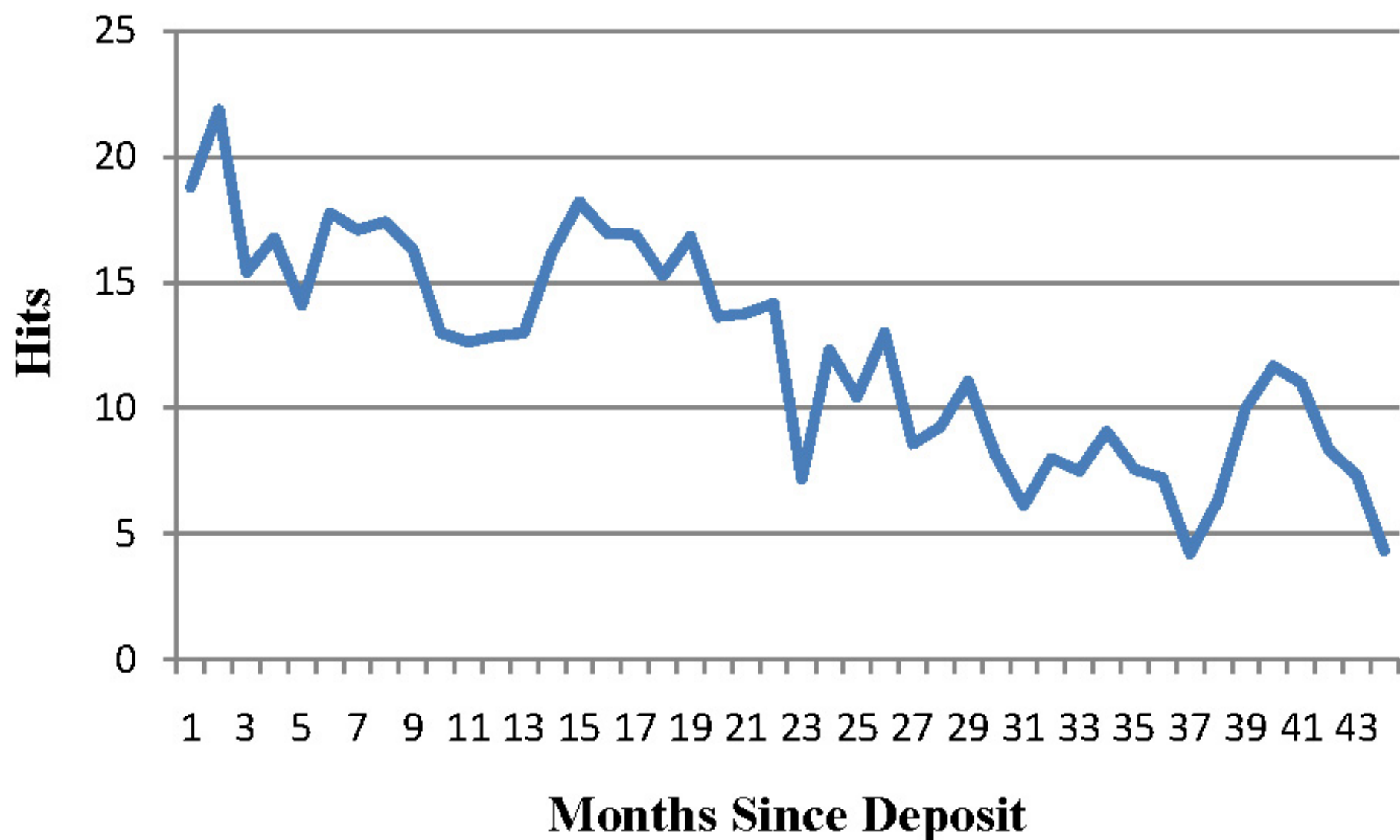
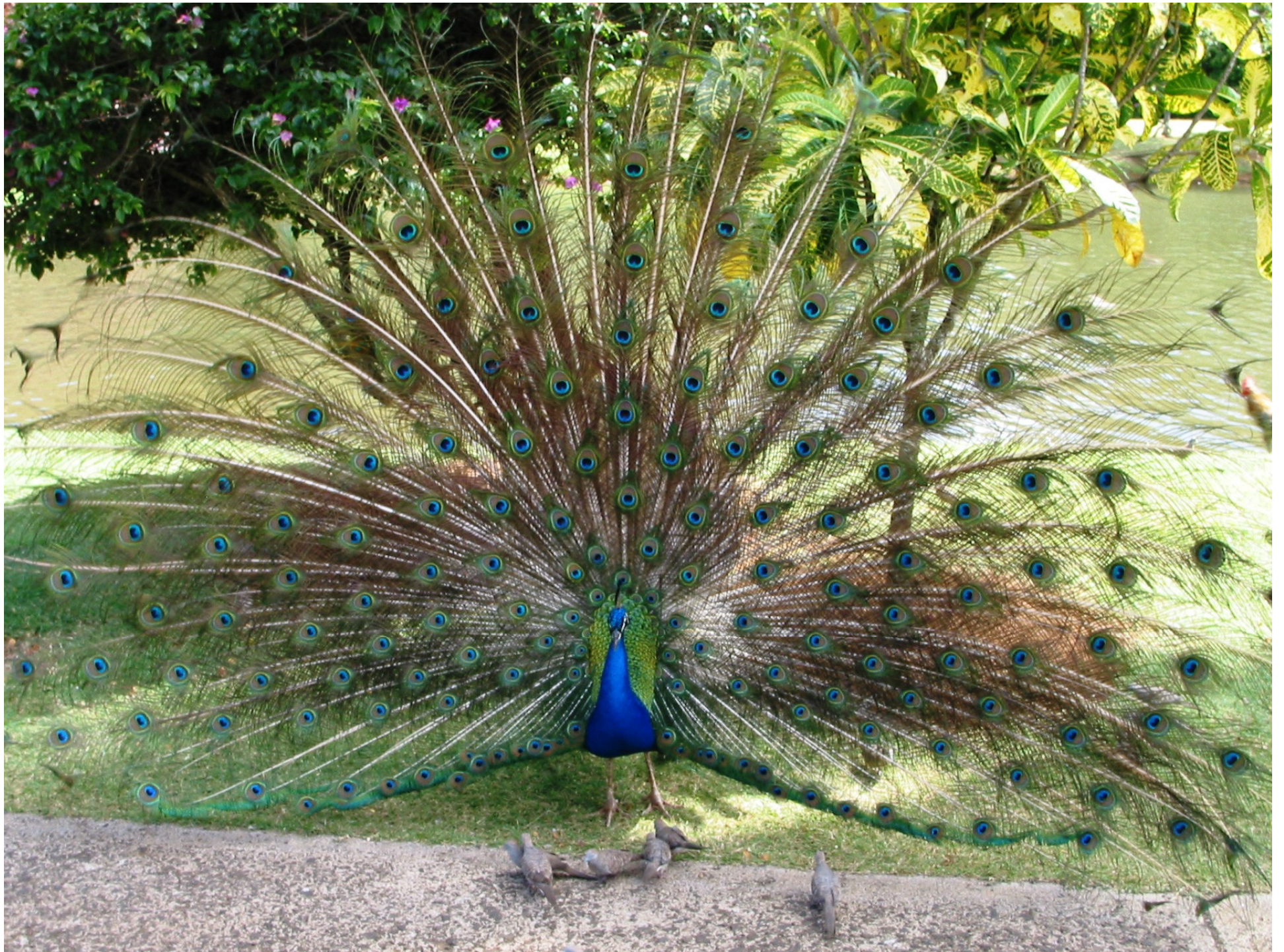


Figure 4. Poster Images. Average “Hits” by Months Since Deposit



How to get the Health Care Community Engaged



One possible strategy

Make it easy as possible to do



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