

FAQ

RightsLink® – Editorial Manager Integration



Q: Why are the two organizations working together?

A: We are being responsive to growth in the Open Access market and the growing need to process APCs in an efficient manner.

Q: What is the solution?

A: The solution integrates RightsLink with Editorial Manager so that publishers can quickly and easily manage APC collection during submission and peer review.

Q: Who collects the APCs?

A: CCC processes APCs on behalf of publishers and remits payments to them. CCC takes care of billing, collections and customer service on behalf of the publisher and provides comprehensive reporting to the publisher.

Q: How is the RightsLink APC collection functionality activated?

A: The publisher's Editorial Manager system administrator will use standard configuration tools to activate the functionality. There is no charge from Aries directly to the publisher for this functionality. RightsLink will implement the publisher's APC business rules allowing the author to pay the publisher's APCs via web interface.

Q: When will the solution be available?

A: The solution is currently available and in BETA. If you would like to be an early adopter, please contact us at marketing@ariessys.com.

Q: Is the arrangement between CCC and Aries exclusive?

A: No, both organizations are free to partner with other organizations; however integration of these two best-of-breed solutions demonstrates a clear commitment by both organizations to be first to serve customer needs through innovation and collaboration.

Q: What about editorial integrity?

A: Editors involved in peer review workflow will be totally shielded from APC transaction activity, thereby ensuring editorial integrity.

Q: What payment models will be supported?

A: Full OA and hybrid (OA “choice”) models will be supported. RightsLink will support a full range of publisher models such as memberships, promotional codes, pre-pay, post-pay, credit card, waivers and other emerging payment processing models.

Q: Is it standards-based?

A: Yes, the solution will be based around emerging standards such as ORCID and FundRef.

Q: What about our accounting system?

A: OA fee processing can be a major headache for accounting departments. However with this solution, the accounting system will receive more predictable payment with detailed reporting from CCC. Accounting department problem solved!

Q: Who is CCC?

A: For over 35 years, Copyright Clearance Center (CCC), a not-for-profit organization, has developed licensing and content solutions to help rightsholders increase revenue, automate processes, contain costs, and protect their rights and content. CCC has been offering RightsLink for Open Access for over six years and is committed to expanding its offering to better serve publishers, authors and institutions. To learn how CCC can help you, please visit www.copyright.com/openaccess.

Q: Who is Aries?

A: Aries is a trusted workflow systems vendor used by thousands of journals for cloud-based manuscript submission and peer review, and production tracking. The company has served scholarly publishing customers for more than 25 years. For more information about Aries Systems’ workflow solutions, please visit www.editorialmanager.com.