

# **FAQ** Reviewer Discovery



# Q: Why did Aries release Reviewer Discovery?

A: Aries is responding to a frequently expressed editor need for a tool to help identify new peer reviewers. This is especially germane to OA publications that receive submissions covering a broad spectrum of subjects.

## Q: Why did Aries need to partner with ProQuest?

A: For a reviewer discovery tool to be effective it needs to access a large biographic database of scholar profiles that are current and that contain current email and contact information. ProQuest Pivot is the only such database that includes more than 3 million profiles.

# Q: Why is it better than searching an external bibliographic database for prospective peer reviewers?

A: EM offers links to external bibliographic databases, but there are two limitations with external bibliographic searches: (1) bibliographic databases such as PubMed rarely include email addresses or current contact information that are essential to invite prospective reviewers. Bibliographic records, by their nature, are frequently outdated and include researchers who are no longer active, and (2) external databases are not integrated with EM's reviewer invitation process and therefore necessitate a lot of "cut and paste". In contrast, Reviewer Discovery includes current email addresses and is fully integrated with EM so that reviewers can be invited with a few clicks.

## Q: Won't Reviewer Discovery create a lot of duplicate entries in my EM people database?

A: No. Because Reviewer Discovery is a fully integrated solution, potential duplicate records are visually flagged so that editors are warned about duplicates.

#### Q: How easy is it for editors to use?

A: Reviewer Discovery is easy for editors to use. Once the candidate reviewer is selected and invited, regular EM functionality provides comprehensive tracking and reminder functionality.

## Q: How are manuscripts matched to candidate reviewers?

A: ProQuest's proprietary software algorithms create a digital "fingerprint" from the journal EM metadata, then matches the fingerprint to its embedded collection of scholar profiles. A relevance-ranked candidate reviewer list is displayed so that editors can click on names to view biographic and bibliographic details including CrossRef® links to candidates' published articles. This makes it quick and easy for editors working in Editorial Manager to find and assess the viability of candidates as reviewers for manuscripts under consideration.

## Q: What subjects does Reviewer Discovery include?

A: Why not activate a free trial to assess the viability for your journal's content?

Disciplines	Profiles	
Agriculture	67,476	
Allied Health	240,947	
Applied Science	518,671	
Architecture	37,736	
Arts	157,535	
Business	252,207	
Education	138,688	
Engineering	210,177	
Environmental Science	67,330	
Humanities	339,482	
Law	72,557	
Mass Communication	70,220	
Medicine	664,077	
Natural Science	283,363	
Social Sciences	390,068	

## Q: How frequently are the data updated in Pivot?

A: Continuously. ProQuest has many editorial activities and automated processes that they use to update profiles, complemented by updates made by scholars themselves. The editorial processes range from continuous publication linking and weekly web content gathering, to more in-depth organization and profile reviews and updates that are run annually. ProQuest has other periodic editorial reviews that focus on specific aspects of the profiles such as updating broken links, affiliation updates and other information.

#### Q: How much does it cost?

A: The fee only applies to manuscripts for which RD is actually used. The bands apply to aggregated publisher manuscripts not individual journals. Here's how it works: at the start of each service year, the publisher commits and pays for a specific level of usage (e.g. Level 2: 1,000 manuscripts for \$10,000). If the number of manuscripts for which RD is used during the year exceeds the committed amount, then the overage rate is charged for the additional manuscripts. At the anniversary, the publisher will be able to commit to a higher (or lower) commitment level based on their experience from the prior year.

Level	Included MS	Minimum Annual Fee	Overage per MS
1	500	\$5,000.00	\$10.00
2	1,000	\$10,000.00	\$5.00
3	2,500	\$12,500.00	\$3.00
4	5,000	\$15,000.00	\$2.00
5	25,000	\$50,000.00	\$1.50
6	100,000	\$150,000.00	\$1.00

