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American Association for the Advancement of Science Selects Copyright Clearance Center to Handle Article Processing Charges for Its First Online, Fully Open Access Journal

World's Largest General Scientific Society to Use RightsLink® for Open Access to Streamline the Entire Author Fee Transaction for Science Advances

Danvers, Mass. – [The American Association for the Advancement of Science](#) (AAAS), the world's largest general scientific society, has chosen the [RightsLink for Open Access](#) platform from [Copyright Clearance Center, Inc.](#) (CCC), a global licensing and content solutions organization, to handle Article Processing Charges (APCs) for [Science Advances](#).

Science Advances, AAAS's first online, fully Open Access journal, features well-executed, important research across the entire range of scholarly pursuits, including computer, engineering, environmental life, mathematical, physical, and social sciences.

RightsLink for Open Access streamlines the entire author fee transaction for Open Access charges, page charges, color charges, and more, giving publishers a robust pricing, discount and collections engine. It will work with AAAS's manuscript management and production systems through CCC's integration with [Aries Systems' Editorial Manager](#), which allows scholarly publishers a seamless way to collect APCs from within the Editorial Manager workflow. This will provide AAAS's authors an easy-to-use platform for submitting publication charges.

"As a trusted intermediary and an innovator in the Open Access market, CCC is well-positioned to enhance our new Open Access journal and service to authors," said Will Schweitzer, Business Director, *Science Advances*, AAAS. "Through RightsLink for Open Access, our authors, and their funders or institutions, can seamlessly receive an APC estimate and easily request an invoice or make a payment. The platform also offers robust reporting tools and supports all of our key business rules."

"With evolving mandates from funders, shifting demands on authors, and new relationships with institutions, Open Access is changing the face of scholarly publishing," said Miles McNamee, Vice President, Licensing and Business Development, CCC. "We believe publishers like AAAS can

prosper in today's Open Access environment with a standards-based, end-to-end solution for collecting and managing author charges without having to develop new systems.”

As part of its commitment to educating the market on the latest Open Access news and trends, CCC recently launched an [Open Access Resource Center](#) in collaboration with the [Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers](#) (ALPSP), linking to the latest Open Access news, reports, industry whitepapers, webinars and websites.

About Copyright Clearance Center

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