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Copyright Clearance Center Joins Open Researcher and Contributor ID Initiative (ORCID)

Danvers, Mass. – [Copyright Clearance Center, Inc.](#) (CCC), a not-for-profit organization creating global licensing, content and Open Access (OA) solutions that make copyright work for everyone, has joined the [Open Researcher and Contributor ID](#) (ORCID) initiative.

ORCID is an open, non-profit, community-based effort to provide a registry of unique researcher identifiers and a transparent method of linking research activities and outposts to these identifiers. It's unique in its ability to reach across disciplines, research sectors, and national boundaries and its cooperation with other identifier systems.

The ORCID community includes individual researchers, universities, national laboratories, commercial research organizations, research funders, publishers, national science agencies, data repositories, and international professional societies, all of whom will benefit from a sustainable, updated central registry for researchers.

“ORCID’s activity and work in evangelizing the need for standards not only improves scholarly communications for all participants, but is better for scholarly communication overall,” said Roy Kaufman, Managing Director of New Ventures for CCC. “The potential benefits of a system of standardized, persistent researcher identifiers for tracking institutional research outputs, grant management, open access and publication ethics, to name a few uses, cannot be understated.”

CCC, named one of “[10 to Watch](#)” by information industry analyst Outsell in its 2013 Open Access Market Report, has been helping publishers improve the author experience in collecting Article Processing Charges (APCs) for over six years, and welcomes efforts toward standardization and transparency. CCC also recently joined the [Open Access Scholarly](#)

[Publishers Association](#) (OASPA), which offers a forum for bringing together the entire open access community. CCC hosts [webinars](#) and [podcasts](#) on many aspects of Open Access and works with organizations such as the [National Information Standards Organization](#) (NISO) on creating standards around Open Access.

About Copyright Clearance Center

Copyright Clearance Center (CCC), the rights licensing experts, is a global rights broker for the world's most sought-after books, journals, blogs, movies, and more. Founded in 1978 as a not-for-profit organization, CCC provides smart solutions that simplify the access and licensing of content that lets businesses and academic institutions quickly get permission to share copyright-protected materials, while compensating publishers and creators for the use of their works. We make copyright work. For more information, visit <http://www.copyright.com>.

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