



# RightsLink<sup>®</sup> for Scientific Communications and Editorial Manager<sup>®</sup> / ProduXion Manager<sup>®</sup>

## *An End-to-End Open Access Publishing Solution*

When long-standing business models meet Open Access (OA) publishing mandates, it's time for a comprehensive end-to-end solution.

Copyright Clearance Center (CCC) and Aries Systems — the industry's leaders in content and workflow management — now make it possible to automate Article Processing Charges (APCs) directly from within existing publishing workflows. For nearly a decade, this collaboration has supported growth in the OA market with efficient processing of APCs.

The partnership of RightsLink<sup>®</sup> for Scientific Communications (formerly known as RightsLink Author) and Editorial Manager (EM)/ProduXion Manager (PM) enables publishers to:

- Provide authors with APC price estimates when they submit papers for peer review
- Calculate APC fees by each publisher's unique business rules (e.g. member discounts) at configurable points in the workflow (e.g. accept or revise) or by assigning a production task
- Process transactions and collect payments immediately, supported by best-in-class customer service

### A SEAMLESS AUTHOR WORKFLOW



Manuscript Submission



Price Estimate



Offer to Author



Payment Transaction

## VALUE FOR PUBLISHERS, SERVICE FOR AUTHORS

This comprehensive OA publishing solution offers:

- Convenient, multi-currency payment options
- Real-time transaction reporting
- 24 x 7 customer service
- Increased speed to market

## FAQS: RIGHTSLINK FOR SCIENTIFIC COMMUNICATIONS AND EDITORIAL MANAGER/PRODUCTION MANAGER INTEGRATION

### How is the APC collection functionality activated?

An Aries Account Coordinator uses standard configuration tools to enable this feature in EM/PM upon request. There is no charge from Aries directly to the publisher for this functionality. In parallel, RightsLink for Scientific Communications implements the publisher's APC business rules, allowing the author to pay the publisher's APCs via web interface. The publisher's EM/PM system administrator chooses trigger points for payment due and configures Author notifications and assigns permissions.

### What are the benefits of the collaboration between CCC and Aries?

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### Who collects the APCs?

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

### What about editorial integrity?

Editors involved in peer review workflow can be shielded from APC transaction activity via EM/PM Role Manager permissions, thereby ensuring editorial integrity.

### What payment models will be supported?

Full OA, hybrid OA, and Transformative Agreement models are supported. RightsLink for Scientific Communications supports a full range of publisher models such as memberships, promotional codes, pre-pay, post-pay, credit card, waivers and other emerging payment processing models.

### Is the solution standards-based?

Yes, the solution works with established standards such as Ringgold iDs, ORCID and Crossref Funder Registry.

### What about our accounting system?

OA fee processing can be a major headache for accounting departments. However, with this solution, the accounting system receives more predictable payments with detailed reporting from CCC.



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