

RightsLink® for Scientific Communications

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WHAT'S NEW WITH RIGHTSLINK FOR SCIENTIFIC COMMUNICATIONS?

We are pleased to announce the latest RightsLink for Scientific Communications release, which released on 18 November 2020.

As you likely remember, the June RightsLink for Scientific Communications release introduced a major redesign of the payment workflow. The updated workflow pairs a modern look and feel with a streamlined user experience that will improve the author experience at each stage of the payment process. This platform-wide benefit was a major product milestone for 2020 and we hope you are seeing these benefits. The results of our new author experience survey have been extremely positive!

The November release focuses on our commitment to support the needs of our publishers' transformative and open access agreements in time for the start of 2021. To prepare for the implementation of these agreements, we have developed several new features and enhancements that will help publishers manage and honor the requirements of their deals. These updates will make the management of 2021 deals an intuitive and streamlined experience.

Continue reading to learn more about this release.

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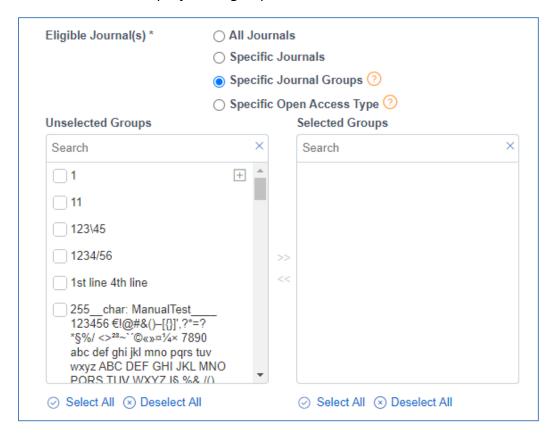
NEW AGREEMENT MANAGER FEATURES TO BETTER SUPPORT 2021 DEALS

Note: Engagement with the agreement management suite is required in order to benefit from these new tools.

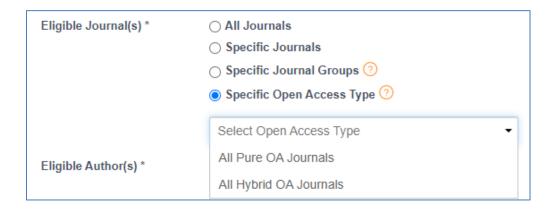
More options for defining which journals are eligible for funding

Currently, when you define a group of journals that are eligible for funding under a specific agreement there are two options -- "All Journals" and "Specific Journals". There are now two more options to make it quick and easy for you to associate groups of journals with a specific special billing profile. The new options include:

1. **Specific Journal Groups:** When this option is selected, a multi-select tool will open and allow you to select one or multiple journal groups.



Specific Open Access Type: When manuscripts from any of your pure open access or any of your hybrid OA journals are eligible for funding, select the radio button for Specific Open Access Type. When this option is selected, a drop-down field will open where you may select either "All Pure OA Journals" or "All Hybrid OA Journals". *Note: as you update your journal lists in RightsLink using the Manage Configuration tools, journals that are added or that flip from hybrid to pure OA will automatically show up in the proper lists.*

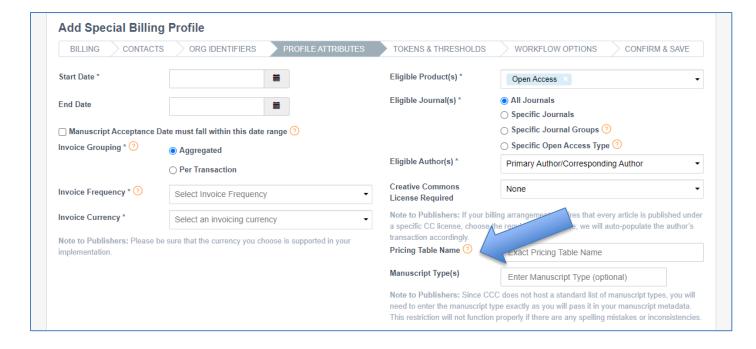


Associate a profile with an existing pricing table

RightsLink enables you to use profile-specific pricing tables to present authors with an agreement-specific list price when an author seeks funding under a special billing profile.

Presently, syncing a profile to a pricing table requires the involvement of the CCC implementation team. While creating new special pricing tables still require CCC team involvement, this release makes it easier to utilize an existing special pricing table on new profiles. Note: This field requires the verbatim pricing table name intended and initial pricing table setup with the RightsLink implementation team so be sure to work with your client engagement manager to obtain an up-to-date list of your pricing tables.

Example: You are negotiating deals with base APCs at various tiers: \$1000 and \$2000. If you've already setup your special \$1000 and \$2000 pricing tables for use on older profiles, all you need to do when you create a new special billing profile is enter the exact \$1000 or \$2000 pricing table name in the new field provided.



Ability to restrict funded manuscripts to specific manuscript/article types

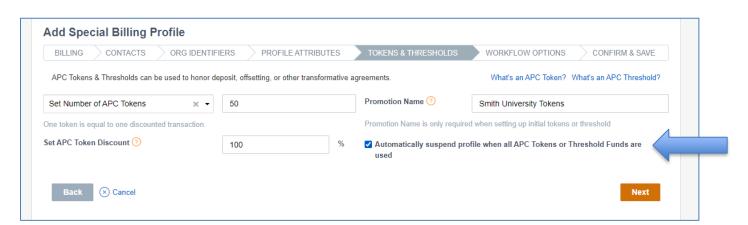
Since some open access agreements in 2021 limit manuscript eligibility to certain article types, the Profile Attributes page will include a new attribute that will enable you to restrict the manuscript matching criteria to one or more article types.

Note: Given that manuscript types are unique to each publisher and not a predefined, standard industry list, it's important to enter the exact name of your eligible manuscript types in the Manuscript Type(s) field.



New flag to automatically suspend profiles when tokens or threshold funds are exhausted

This release removes the need to enter the Publisher Portal to manually suspend a profile after all the associated APC tokens or threshold funds have been used. When you check this automatic suspension box when initially setting up the APC tokens or thresholds, the profile will automatically suspend—meaning manuscripts will not match to it—when token or threshold funds are exhausted. Once suspended, we will also send an email notification to the creator of the profile and the publisher contact listed on the profile.



New Profile Management and Renewal Tools

Several new features will help improve your experience when searching for an agreement, renewing an agreement, and more. New functionalities include:

- 1. Advanced search on profiles list to help you find the exact profile you need
- 2. Ability to clone a profile, make edits, and save as a new profile, which will support deal renewals
- 3. Ability to delete a profile that has not had any funding requests placed against it, which will help you declutter the profiles list and easily remove profiles that may have been made in error.

