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Karger Publishers and Jisc Sign Open Access Agreement

Karger Publishers has signed a publish and read agreement with Jisc, the notfor-profit technology provider of research and education which negotiates with publishers on behalf of UK universities.

The three-year deal for 2021-2023 includes access to all Karger journals (including archived files) and Open Access (OA) publishing in Karger journals at no additional cost for the authors. All affiliated researchers of participating institutions in the UK can benefit from this agreement.

Seven UK universities have already joined the pool: Cardiff University, Imperial College London, King's College London, Queen's University Belfast, University College London, the University of Exeter, and the University of Manchester. The agreement boosts publication options for their researchers on an international platform with immediate OA publishing of all accepted articles.

Karger Publishers already has access and publish agreements in place in several countries such as the Netherlands, Germany, and Switzerland. "We're aiming to continuously transition to OA. Innovative agreements with consortium partners to increase the amount of OA content worldwide are important for driving our OA transformation," says Moritz Thommen, Head of Academic and Research Markets at Karger Publishers.

Marie Moment, Licensing Manager at Jisc says: "We're delighted to have arranged this agreement with Karger Publishers as it strengthens our shared aim to move away from traditional subscriptions and top up fees over the next few years, making open access the default."

About Karger Publishers

Karger Publishers is a worldwide publisher of scientific and medical content based in Basel, Switzerland. It is independent and family-led in the fourth generation by Chairwoman and Publisher Gabriella Karger. Connecting and advancing health sciences since 1890, Karger has been continuously evolving, keeping pace with the current developments and shifts in research and publishing. The publishing house is dedicated to serving the information needs of the scientific community, clinicians, and patients with publications of high-quality content and services in health sciences. Karger Publishers has 240 employees and is present in 15 countries around the globe.

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About Jisc

Jisc's vision is for the UK to be the most digitally advanced education and research nation in the world. At its heart is the super-fast national research and education network, Janet, with built-in cyber security protection. Jisc also provides technology solutions for its members (colleges, universities, and research centers) and customers (public sector bodies), helps members save time and money by negotiating sector-wide deals, and provides advice on and practical assistance with digital technology. Jisc is funded by UK higher and further education and research funding bodies and member institutions.

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