# Change to Free Back-Issue Policy

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## **OLD POLICY**:

Articles from January 1997 onward: Freely accessible 12 months after publication

Pre-1997 & most recent 12 months of content: Subscription or pay per view



#### EFFECTIVE 2019:

Rolling 5-year window of free access: Starts 12 months after publication

Most recent 12 months of content and content more than 6 years old: Subscription or pay per view



# Marketing Author Services

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## **The Challenge**

- ASM (and many societies) past marketing efforts modest at best
- Submissions historically strong- so focused on sales
- But then started to see troubling trends:
  - Drops in Impact Factor
  - Increased competition from other publishers
  - Survey showed authors not looking at ASM
- This led to thinking about the AUTHOR AS CUSTOMER



## The Program: Author as Customer

- Create marketing goals.
- Leverage what you have.
- Determine key messaging.
- Communicate- let people know!





- Submissions up in 2018 and 2019
- Users are up after every marketing release
- Using the marketing effort to continue learning...



#### **Lessons Learned**

- Don't be afraid of shameless self promotion
- Dedicated marketing professional key
- Try things
- Listen to authors and be responsive

Full, original presentation here: <u>https://highwirepublishersmeetingwa2019.sched.com/event/N</u> wCY/7-marketing-author-services



# Approach to Open Access

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## **Open Access Timeline**



- 2013 Board of Directors approved open access publishing.
- 2014 Began publishing open access as a hybrid model with APC of \$800
- 2015 Celebrated Open Access Week by taking down the paywall for the first time.
- 2016 Launched Free the Science; launched ECS Plus (read & publish model) and finished the year with 922 institutional subscribers; began focus issue article credits; implemented CCC's RightsLink for Author 2017 Launched Free the Science Week; ECS Plus grew to 998 institutional subscribers.
- 2018 ECS Plus grew to 1111 institutional subscribers;
- 2019 & beyond Increased APC pricing to \$1000; ECS Plus is positioned to grow to over 1138 subscribers.





- ECS journals offer open access publication: The selection criteria and peer review process remain exactly the same as non-open access manuscripts.
- Generous Article Credit Program
- Option of Two Creative Commons Licenses
- Open access articles receive more citations than non-open access articles. Copyright remains with the author.



ECS and Plan S



#### • Multiple Tactics Employed

- Open Access journals or Open Access platforms
  - Free the Science Crowdfunding
- Deposition of scholarly articles in Open Access repositories
- Transformative agreements



# On the impact of journal e-Table of Contents

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- eNeuro launched in November 2014 initial goal to build the readership
- How to get science in front of the scientific community?
- How to increase the audience of our new journal?
- Highwire offers etoc Alerts, but we needed to grow a following and had very small numbers signed up to start.
- SFN decided to send a manually created eTOC to our society members.
- This is a story about how SFN developed a dynamic and effective eTOC that made a positive impact on growing eNeuro's readership.



Journey



**2015** – Communication to society members and editorial board members only – 30% open rate – Initial messaging about new journal. Sent every few months.

**2016** -Recipients stayed the same; send rate increases. Open rate increases to 40%. Submissions/Readership increases. Some issues around amount of publications and especially around amount of effort that went into each communication piece

**2017** - Manual eTOCs still important - SFN relaunched a new, improved version. Send time: Biweekly • consistency • improved visibility • Less article variance• Efficiencies in creating • SFN expanded beyond members. • an author survey revealed that the journal was less known outside of our membership.

**Now** – Successfully driving readers to the articles – evidenced by metrics like Google Analytics – Noticeable spike on readership the day eTOC is sent. Referral traffic increase.





- eTOCs have become an important driver to bring readers to the science.
- Has one of highest open rates of emails sent from organization (~40%)
- In 2018,12% of traffic was referred directly from our eTOCs.
- Submissions and Readership are still growing.



# New Features in Preprints, medRxiv's Early Days

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- bioRxiv Growth
  - ~50 papers submitted in 2014
  - Regularly seeing over 2000 submissions per month now
- bioRxiv Progress
  - Behaviour Changes
  - Cultural Changes
- bioRxiv Journal Integration
- bioRxiv Full Text



## medRxiv's Early Days



- Medical preprint server launching on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019
  - Initiate cultural changes in clinical research
- What is the need for a medical based preprint server?
  - Rapid communication in medicine
- Responsibility that comes with preprints in the clinical world
  - Provided Carefully and Responsibly
  - Author declarations
  - Responsible Screening
- Usage of the same journal integration technology as bioRxiv



# A Multimedia Approach to Compliment Journal Content

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- Launched Autumn of 2009 on Clinical Chemistry and 2016 on The Journal of Applied Laboratory Medicine
- Focus on an article (original research, Q&A, review articles)
- Approximately ten minutes in duration
- Nearly 500 published with 2 million downloads



#### **AACC Podcast Process**

- Paper recommended for acceptance
- Dedicated Media Editor involvement
- AACC schedule time with author and voice artist to complete recording
- Completion of podcast transcription by TechSynergy
- Podcast is hosted by Libsyn



### AACC Podcast Program – Key To Success

- Consistency in style and frequency
- Concise and to the point
- Be Selective
- Maintain the same editor and moderator
- Quality



- Original article submitted, along with 100 word summary
- Once accepted, the Deputy Editor becomes involved
- Individual summaries are recorded along with full issue compilation
- Both individual and full issue summary are available as a podcast



#### **AACC Pearls of Laboratory Medicine**

- Video presentation
- Not related to an article
- 10 15 minutes in duration
- Peer Reviewed
- Authors are invited

