

Lancaster University selects ChronosHub as its Preferred Open Access Management Platform

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Lancaster University has awarded a public tender to ChronosHub, the leading open access (OA) management platform. In a sector leading move for the university, it is the first time the platform will be launched for an institution in the United Kingdom. The platform will be utilized to support the university's researchers through the open access publishing process. Lancaster University is the first institution to acquire all four of ChronosHub's institutional modules to do this.

By joining the ChronosHub platform, Lancaster University will have access to cutting edge industry features designed to help researchers and institutions stay on top of continuously evolving OA publishing challenges. ChronosHub will effectively guide Lancaster University's researchers through the publishing process; from journal selection in line with OA funding policies, including UKRI, to the automated handling of article processing charges, to monitoring Lancaster's OA agreements in one place, right through to automating full-text deposits into Lancaster's Current research information system (CRIS).

ChronosHub will be integrated with the university's login server, and bi-directionally with Elsevier's Pure. Combining this with the full offering of modules, the platform will empower Lancaster's researchers and staff by streamlining OA workflows, increasing compliance with OA policies, decreasing administration, and, as a result, will maximize the visibility of Lancaster's research globally.

Andrew Barker, Library Director of Lancaster University, expressed enthusiasm about implementing the platform: "We are pleased to adopt ChronosHub as our Open Access Management platform. Utilizing ChronosHub aligns perfectly with Lancaster University's commitment to promoting Open Access, and ensures the compliance, accessibility, and impact of our research outputs."

ChronosHub's Co-CEO & Founder, Christian Grubak, commented on the onboarding of Lancaster University: "We are honoured to have won Lancaster University's public tender for an Open Access Management platform. The strong research profile of the university aligns perfectly with our mission to empower the academic community with efficient solutions. We look forward to supporting Lancaster University with Open Access, and their world class research."

About Lancaster University: Located in the UK Lancaster University is a globally recognized institution committed to excellence in teaching and research. 99% of the university's research was ranked 4* 'world leading' or 3* 'internationally excellent' in the 2021 REF. Combined with a diverse range of academic disciplines and a recognised research community, Lancaster University is known for its innovative research, and societal impact, both locally and internationally.

About ChronosHub: Headquartered in Copenhagen, ChronosHub is an online platform meeting the needs of all stakeholders in the research community: publishers, institutions, funders, and researchers. ChronosHub supports authors to select suitable journals for their manuscript submissions by making funding policies and institutional agreements transparent. ChronosHub streamlines the publishing workflow for publishers, institutions, and funders for effective APC management, funding policy compliance, automated repository deposits, and OA reporting.

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