



Major Improvement to the RoMEO Service

Improvements we Proposed at Open Repositories 2009:

- Increased journal coverage ✓
- Provision of a fully supported Applications Programmers Interface ✓
- Standardisation of the phrases used in entries
- Provision of multi-lingual interfaces
- Introduction of new terms to describe article versions
- Provision of journal level policy display

In Addition, we Released in September 2009:

- Increased visibility of Publisher Version/ PDF status in publisher entries
- Improved browsing functions
- More options for checking compliance with research funders' OA mandates

Journal Level Policies

It is not always clear who publishes a given journal – or more specifically, who owns the copyright. Why?

- Publishing houses often work on behalf of learned societies.
- Client societies may or may not control copyright and related policies.
- Statements such as “Published by X in association with Y” do not make the relationship clear
- Different journal databases may consequently give different publishers.

ID	Field	Harvested Data	Verified Data	Status
852	Title	Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics/Revue canadienne d'agroéconomie	1. Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics 2. Revue canadienne d'agroéconomie	OK
	ISSN	0008-3976	0008-3976	
	ESSN	1744-7976	1744-7976	
	Imprint	© 2010 Canadian Agricultural Economics Society	1. Blackwell Publishing 2. Canadian Agricultural Economics Society	Drop
	Paid OA		Commercial Publisher	Drop
	Notes		Copyright Holder	Skip
	Admin		- type of imprint -	

Journal: **Cryosphere** (ISSN: 1994-0416, EISSN: 1994-0424)
 Publisher: 1. **European Geosciences Union (EGU)** (Client Organisation)
 2. **Copernicus Publications** (Commercial Publisher)

These summaries are for the publishers' default policies and changes or exceptions can often be negotiated by authors. All information is correct to the best of our knowledge but should not be relied upon for legal advice.

Publisher: European Geosciences Union (EGU)

Author's Pre-print: ? archiving status unclear
 Author's Post-print: ✓ author can archive post-print (ie final draft post-refereeing)
 Publisher's Version/PDF: — archiving status unknown

General Conditions:

- Author retains copyright
- Creative Commons Attribution 3.0 License
- Eligible UK authors may deposit in [This Deposit](#)

Mandated OA: Compliance data is available for [5 funders](#)

Copyright: [Policy](#)

RoMEO: This is a **RoMEO blue** publisher

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Publisher: Copernicus Publications

Author's Pre-print: ✓ author can archive pre-print (ie pre-refereeing)
 Author's Post-print: ✓ author can archive post-print (ie final draft post-refereeing)
 Publisher's Version/PDF: — archiving status unknown

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Prototype of New System:

<http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/search33.php>

Due for Public Release in Autumn 2010!

Internationalisation

There are national versions of RoMEO in several countries, including Spain and Germany. RoMEO is also in talks with Norsk RoMEO (Norway) and Blimunda Project (Portugal) with regards to collecting local publisher policies.

In order to integrate different teams information, we are upgrading the Administrative system. This will enable administrators to choose standardised phrases, viewed by in their preferred language.

In the long term we hope this will lead to multi-lingual public views of RoMEO.

The top screenshot shows the 'Publisher copyright policies & self-archiving' page for Springer Verlag. It details the publisher's policies on pre-prints, post-prints, and versioning, along with general conditions and mandated OA information.

The bottom screenshot shows the 'List of all publishers' page, which is a table with columns for Publisher (linked to the full RoMEO record), RoMEO Colour, Pre-Prints, Post-Prints, Publisher's Version/PDF, Paid OA Option, and OA Mandate Compliance. The table lists various publishers like Academia Sinica, Academic and Business Research Institute, etc.

Types of Publisher and their Hierarchy

When a journal lists two or more publishers, each publisher is assigned to one of the following categories – whichever is lower down the list. The lowest category in the list has priority regarding copyright and policies when displayed in RoMEO.

Governmental publisher

Publishing house run by an international, national, or regional government.

Commercial publisher (Publishing house)

May publish on behalf of 3rd party organisations

University publisher (Academic press)

Publishing house run by an educational institution.

Imprint

Subsidiary of a publishing house, with a different name (and rights?)

Associate organisation

Society or organisation that assists a publishing house with editing and peer review
 Copyright unlikely to be held by the associate organisation, but possible.

Client organisation

Society or organisation whose journals are published for them by a publishing house
 Copyright probably held by the client organisation, but not certain.

Society publisher

Society or organisation publishing its own journals

Special list

Special list for journals with separate rights – e.g. A "Paid OA" list, "Subject list", etc

Independent journal

Organisation whose sole purpose is to publish its journal.

Copyright holder

Publisher explicitly declared as copyright holder

The top screenshot shows the 'RoMEO Input Form' for creating a new publisher entry. It includes fields for No., Language, The, Full Name, Acronym, Home URL, Public Notes, Country, Imprint, and Journal List. There are also sections for Sources, Publisher's version/PDF, and Special Cases.

The bottom screenshot shows the 'RoMEO forma de entrada' (RoMEO form of entry) in Spanish. It has a similar structure to the English version, with fields for No., Idioma, EI, Nombre completo, Acronimo, and various policy-related options.