Beyond the journal: a Microbiology Society open research platform

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94% of survey respondents stated that they would be interested in submitting to the open research platform [https://doi.org/10.1099/acmi.0.000272].

Challenges
• Combining preprints and Versions of Record on one platform.
• Changing a pre-existing journal to a new model – for both the technology and community.

What we have learnt so far
• Language and semantics matters.
• Maintaining a collaborative relationship with your suppliers is essential.
• Engage with your community throughout the process.

Current technologies
Peer review: Editorial Manager (Aries Systems)
Production: Kriyadocs (Exeter Premedia)
Platform: Ingenta Edify (Ingenta)

Preprint indexers
Crossref
Europe PMC
Google Scholar

Project goal
To convert our sound science, open access journal, Access Microbiology, into an open research platform using our current technology stack.