Important migration information about Oxford Journals

Dear Customer,

Important News regarding the Upcoming Oxford Journals Migration

As we have previously informed you, Oxford University Press and Silverchair Information Systems have engaged in a technology relationship to build a next-generation digital platform for OUP’s scholarly content and services. The new Oxford Academic platform will bring our academic content, community, and services together in one place for the first time. Oxford Journals will be the first of our content to migrate to the Oxford Academic platform, with online products scheduled to follow thereafter.

A detailed information pack about the new platform and the migration process is now available on the Migration Information page of our Librarian Resource Centre. The information pack contains migration dates and instructions for updating proxy stanzas for those using proxy access as well as further details on online subscription access management, Shibboleth Access and OpenAthens Access, cataloging records, third-party vendor systems, and usage reporting. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with all of the actions required to ensure uninterrupted access to Oxford Journals during this transition period.

Migration Timeline and Instructions for Customers

Our journals will be the first of our products to be hosted on the new platform and will migrate in two phases. The first set of journals will migrate on 14 November with the rest of the journals scheduled to follow on 30 November. We are migrating in this way in order to ensure the shortest possible period of dual running for customers, while maintaining the quality of the new platform.

All preparatory actions must be completed by the end of the first week of November to ensure a smooth transition to the Oxford Academic platform.

Proxy Server Access

Please be advised that institutional customers using proxy server access may now update their proxy stanza with the new configuration file which you can access here. Please update your stanza by the beginning of November to ensure access when the first batch of journals migrates to the new platform. Once all journals have successfully migrated to the new platform in January 2017, we will supply you with a final proxy stanza update.

We will also be offering access to the Oxford Academic platform through Shibboleth for customers using Shibboleth or OpenAthens.

For detailed instructions about authentication methods, please visit our Migration Information pack here.

URL changes on the Oxford Academic platform

We can now confirm the new Oxford Academic URL structure will be https://academic.oup.com. For individual journals, the structure will be https://academic.oup.com/journal code. Journal codes will be the same as they are on the current site, e.g. brain.oxfordjournals.org will become academic.oup.com/brain. Please note that the new platform will be hosted on https, a secure communication protocol on the web.
We will be implementing permanent redirects to ensure access routes are not disrupted, however, we recommend that you update any links on your site to the Oxford Academic platform to optimize the user experience. DOIs will be unchanged by the migration.

**Updates to My Account**

As part of the migration of our journals content to the new Oxford Academic platform, we will also be migrating the existing My Account function. On the new platform, this will be called the Oxford Academic Account. Throughout the migration phase we will be synchronising data on a regular basis, however, in order to ensure our data is as up-to-date as possible we ask that users only make urgent changes to their accounts during this time. If you do wish to make updates to your account settings we recommend that you replicate any changes made across both the old and new Oxford Academic Account to minimise any possible inconsistencies.

Please consult the Migration Information pack for more information.

**Next Steps**

We will be in touch with you with progress updates throughout the migration. Until that time, please feel free to contact your sales representative or our Journals Customer services team at jnls.cust.serv@oup.com with any questions or concerns. You can also access further information about the migration on the Migration Information page on our website.

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