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An open access publishing platform owned by universities, linked to repositories.

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Why Hasn't the Academy Taken Back Control of Publishing Already?

Perhaps the academy has not taken control of scholarly publishing because it doesn't want to.

By **JOSEPH ESPOSITO** | JUL 16, 2018 | **56 COMMENTS**



<https://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2018/07/16/hasnt-academy-taken-back-control-publishing-already/>

Academic publishing service - close to the universities

Why?

Publisher oligopoly, high publication costs

Slow move to Open Access

Needed:

To publish quickly and without bias

Transparency, research integrity

Support research evaluation

Owned and funded by Academia

No invoices to researchers



University Journals: a new OA platform

Not a University Press

Publishing close to the university

- Alternative publication platform
- Linked to institutional repositories
- *Diamond OA*

Complies with Open Science ambitions

- Publish *all* research products
- Plan S, DORA and OA2020

Efficient quality assurance & peer review



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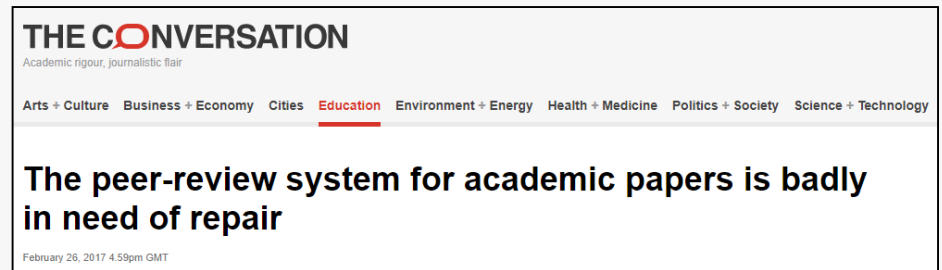
Aim: To streamline peer-review

Peer-review crisis

Lengthy time-to-decision

High rejection rates

Inefficient resubmissions

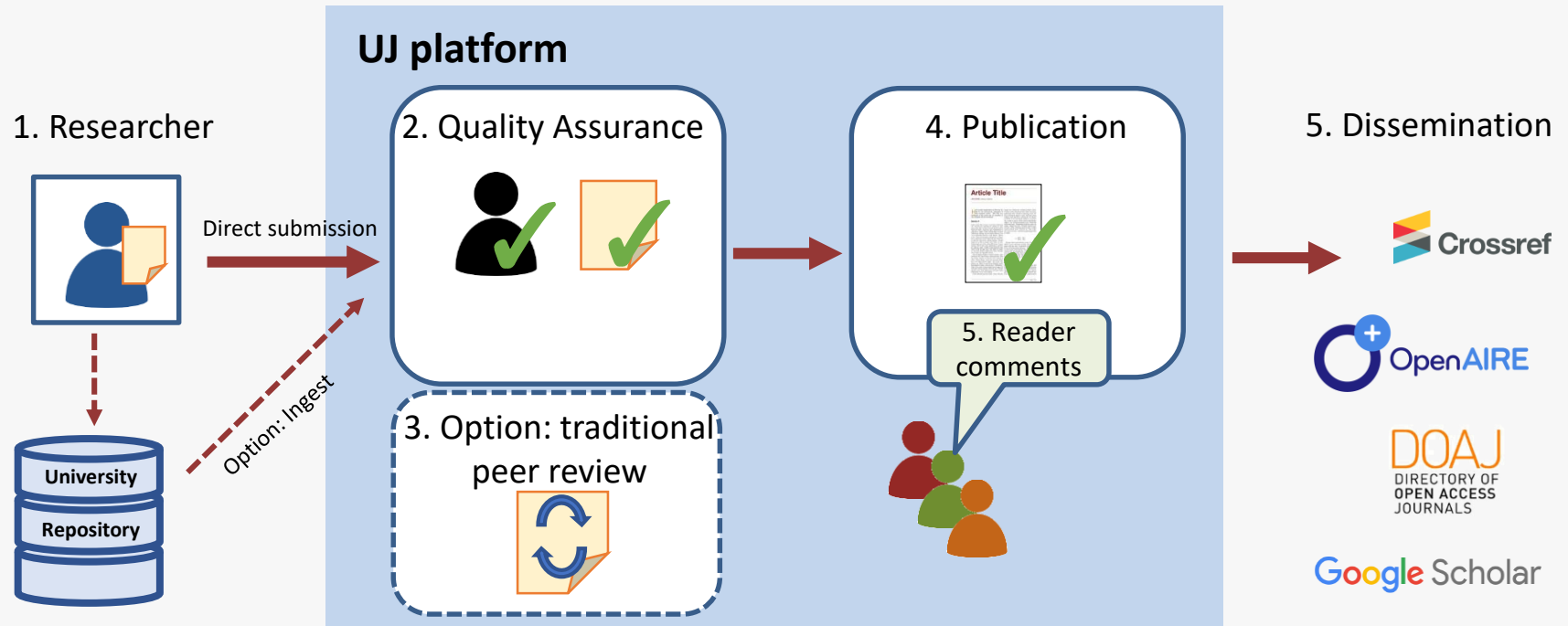


<https://theconversation.com/the-peer-review-system-for-academic-papers-is-badly-in-need-of-repair-72669>

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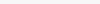
- Fast baseline review for most papers
- Predictable outcome
- Option: traditional slow external peer-review

Peer review



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Article-first presentation

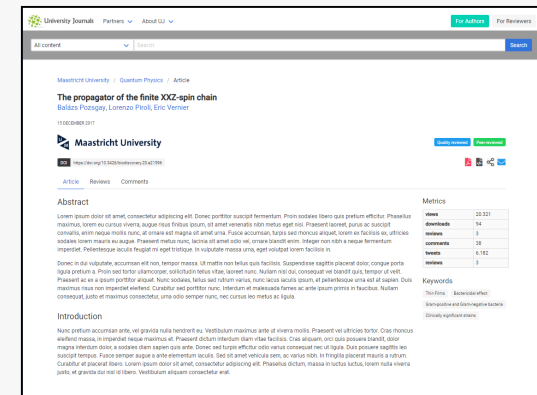
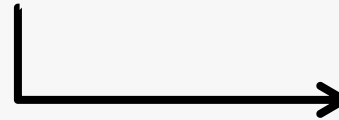
Advanced search and accessible for  etc.



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Find articles based on:

- University, institute or consortium
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University homepages with featured articles

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Article page

The screenshot shows a web page for an article in 'University Journals'. The page includes a header with navigation links, a search bar, and a breadcrumb trail. The article title is 'The propagator of the finite XXZ-spin chain' by Balázs Pozsgay, Lorenzo Piroli, and Eric Vernier, dated 15 DECEMBER 2017. The Maastricht University logo is prominently displayed. Four blue arrows point to specific elements: 'University branding' points to the Maastricht University logo; 'Peer-Review Status' points to the 'Quality reviewed' and 'Peer-reviewed' badges; 'Open reviews' points to the 'Article' tab in the review section; and 'Alternative metrics' points to the 'Metrics' table on the right. The article text is in Latin placeholder text.

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The propagator of the finite XXZ-spin chain

Balázs Pozsgay, Lorenzo Piroli, Eric Vernier

15 DECEMBER 2017

Maastricht University

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3426/biodiscovery.20.e21596>

Article Reviews

Abstract

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Peer-Review Status

Quality reviewed Peer-reviewed

Open reviews

Alternative metrics

Metrics

views	20.321
downloads	94
reviews	3
comments	38
tweets	6.182
reviews	3

Keywords

Thin Films Bactericidal effect

Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria

Clinically significant strains

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Development timeline

Thirteen universities are setting up the publication and dissemination process.

July 2019	PICA Foundation starting grant
October 2019	Preliminary plan & workflow
January 2020	Final plan + budget
Q1-Q2 2020	Tender and development
June 2020	(Beta)version of the platform
Q3-Q4 2020	Launch





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Academic publishing close to the university

University libraries supporting Open Science

Publishing with efficient quality control

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Meets requirements Plan S *etc.*

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