

PEER – Publishing and the Ecology of European Research

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The project will run until 2011, during which time over 50,000 European stage two (accepted) manuscripts from up to 300 journals will become available for archiving.

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Content will include news updates, as well as reports on various aspects of the project as PEER progresses.

A presentation providing an introduction to PEER is available on the website:

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