

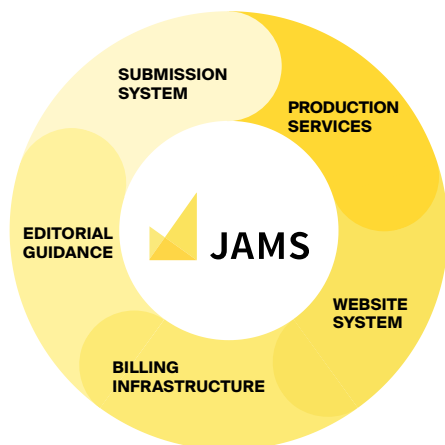


JAMS

Journal & Article Management System

**A modular,
end-to-end platform
to run your journal**

Five Core Services. One Flexible Platform.



Robust Submission System

JAMS strings together all the steps throughout submission, peer-review, revision, and editorial decision in one place to keep everything on track.

Tailored Production Services

JAMS production services take your accepted manuscripts through proof-reading, typesetting and XML conversion on the fast lane, all the while ensuring that quality is not sacrificed along the way.

Editorial Guidance

Expert support to help journals grow, get indexed, and raise quality. Our team offers tailored consulting on best practices, indexing strategies, and editorial workflows, helping you enhance visibility, meet professional standards, and achieve long-term success.”

A Website to Jump-start your Journal

Focus on editorial work and put the website management on autopilot. JAMS provides an out-of-the-box website to host your journal and manage your volumes and issues.

Billing Infrastructure

JAMS offers a hassle-free billing module to collect APCs for gold OA journals. It fully integrates invoicing into the overall workflow, and lets you manage vouchers and discounts for further flexibility in pricing.

What Sets Us Apart

Modular & Scalable

From a single journal to an entire portfolio, JAMS adapts to your needs, choose only the services that make sense for you, and expand as you grow.

End-to-End Workflow

JAMS covers everything: submission, peer review, production, billing, and hosting, all integrated into one seamless platform.

Built on MDPI Expertise

Backed by several years of open access publishing experience, JAMS brings proven workflows and best practices to your journal.

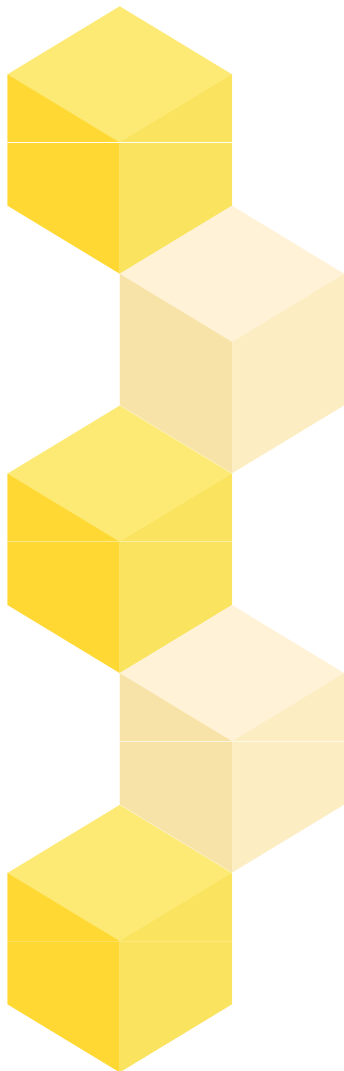
Editorial & Strategic Support

We go beyond tech, our experts guide you on indexing, quality standards, and editorial development to help your journal succeed.

Accessible Pricing, Global Impact

Start for free with our freemium model: no upfront fees, no lock-in. Our flexible pricing supports all publishers, from emerging journals to established presses, with special discounts for nonprofits and the Global South.

The Submission Workflow



Submissions

Authors submit manuscripts via a user-friendly submission platform. JAMS supports automated email notifications and customizable submission forms to collect all required details efficiently.

Pre-Check

The system allows editorial staff to perform initial checks for plagiarism, formatting compliance, and adherence to guidelines, ensuring manuscripts meet the journal's requirements.

Peer-Review

Editors manage peer review seamlessly through JAMS, with tools to assign reviewers, send reminders, and track progress, improving transparency and efficiency.

Revision

Authors can revise and resubmit manuscripts based on reviewer feedback. JAMS simplifies communication between authors, editors, and reviewers during revisions.

Editorial Decision

The editorial team makes final decisions on manuscripts. JAMS consolidates all feedback and facilitates clear communication to authors about acceptance or rejection.

Built to Work with the Tools You Trust

We offer tools to increase efficiency in the editorial process, including access to Scilit – a comprehensive content database for scholarly publications featuring over 150 million scholarly articles and offering many functionalities for publishers, authors, and organizations.

Reviewer Search

Scilit can be integrated into the JAMS platform to work in parallel with the journal's own reviewer database. Put in a few keywords and the Scilit search engine will retrieve a list of potential reviewers, along with their contact details and titles of papers they have published.

AI Reviewer Finder (Premium)

JAMS's AI Reviewer Finder goes beyond keyword search. Using artificial intelligence, it analyses the content of each manuscript and automatically recommends the most suitable reviewers based on their field of expertise and publication history. Available on the Premium plan, it helps editors identify the right reviewers faster and with greater precision.



Start for Free. Scale as You Grow.

Submission system

The 20-manuscript free threshold resets every calendar year. A journal that accepts fewer than 20 papers pays nothing.

Special note: We also offer a per-submission pricing option. Please contact us to discuss your needs and receive a tailored quote.

Starter

Free

(Up to 20 accepted manuscripts)

Always FREE when you publish up to 20 articles per calendar year

How does it work?

You only get charged from the 21st accepted manuscript, at a rate of 27 USD per manuscript. You do not get charged for rejected or withdrawn submissions.

What is included?

- Clear and intuitive submission and peer review platform
- All JAMS integrations
- APC billing module
- Website template and hosting included
- Migration and onboarding support
- Editorial guidance for editors and journal teams

Premium

36 USD

(Per accepted manuscripts)

How does it work?

Premium is billed at a flat rate of USD 36 per accepted manuscript, starting from the first accepted manuscript. This is the recommended plan if you need advanced features and customizations to your editorial workflows.

What is included?

- Everything in Starter, plus
- Custom submission and peer review forms
- Advanced reporting and analytics
- AI-powered Reviewer Finder
- Custom email domain for journal communications
- Custom development options tailored to journal needs

Discounts

- 25% off for non-profit & Diamond OA publishers.
- 50% off (or free with Production Services) for publishers in low-income countries.

Production services

Note: The per-page price adjusts based on the services you select. You are not required to take the full package.

Basic

15 USD

(per published page)

Services

- Basic English Editing
- Layout Editing
- XML/PDF Conversion

What is included?

- Off-the-shelf article layout
- Predefined typesetting rules set by the JAMS Production team
- Standard file conversion workflows
- Slower turnaround time
- Delivery of final production files

Not included add-on's

- Figure Editing
- Advanced English Editing

Premium

21 USD

(per published page)

Services

- Basic English Editing
- Layout Editing
- XML/PDF Conversion

What is included?

- Everything in Basic, plus
- Customized article layout tailored to the journal
- Tailored typesetting rules
- Custom file conversion workflows
- Faster turnaround time
- Priority delivery of final production files

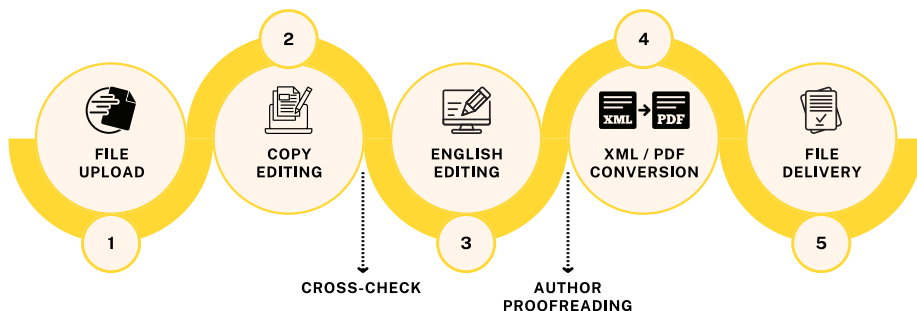
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Production Services: from Acceptance to Publication

JAMS incorporates a comprehensive production process. To support your journal, some or all of these steps can be handled by MDPI Production staff. The workflow can be configured for production to be done externally, or

through a fully-managed production process where accepted papers (in word or LaTeX format) are returned as formatted PDF along with full-text JATS-XML. Steps in the process are as follows:



Papers can be prepared for publication within 7 days (excluding author proofreading) and we offer a 6 day per week service. All steps can be handled by our production staff, with a combined experience of over a million manuscripts.

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Features include

- Production from Microsoft Word or LaTeX;
- **99.9% accuracy of XML files and 99% accuracy typesetting and formatting of references in PDF files;**
- Professional language editing by native English speakers (optional);
- Access to the JAMS submission website to track your articles.

We will work with you to design a unique workflow that produces the professional level of production that readers and authors expect.

Production Steps

Copy-editing and Editorial Cross-check

Our team of professional copy-editors ensure that accepted manuscripts comply with the style of your journal. Articles in Microsoft Word or LaTeX format can be edited.

English Editing

Our network of native English-speaking editors perform English editing on accepted manuscripts. Editing covers general text and grammar use, and commonly used terms. We typically take a light-touch approach, to keep the author's voice as much as possible, but please contact us if you have specific requirements.

Author Proofreading

Proofreading prior to publication is performed on the edited Word or LaTeX version of the manuscript, so authors can directly make the changes they want to see.

XML Conversion

We offer XML (extensible markup language) conversion with high levels of accuracy and short completion times. To convert Word or LaTeX files to XML,

MDPI has a team of experienced XML editors. We use advanced software tools built by our in-house IT team to produce standard JATS XML files. Our industry-automated processes and quality checking procedures ensure that we can handle large volumes of work in a short space of time. We work to high standards and achieve over 99.9% accuracy.

Output Formats

XML can form the basis for several output formats, including PDF, HTML, LaTeX, and Epub. Semi-automated processes developed by our in-house team ensure a high quality final product.

PDF files undergo additional copy-editing to ensure quality and full compliance with the journal's editorial style.

Data Delivery

A number of different outputs can be delivered alongside the final versions of files. These can be retrieved via JAMS's API. If you have a specific need not already covered, please get in touch.

More Than a Platform. A Partner in Your Journal's Growth

Running a successful journal means more than managing submissions. It requires strategic decisions about indexing, quality standards, editorial policy, and long-term positioning. JAMS includes access to an Editorial Guidance knowledge base that supports you at every stage.

What We Help With

Indexing Strategy

Getting indexed in the right databases – from DOAJ and Scopus to PubMed and Web of Science – is one of the most impactful steps a journal can take for visibility. We help you understand the criteria, identify quick wins, prioritise your applications, and avoid common pitfalls.

Journal Launch Support

Starting a new journal involves dozens of interdependent decisions: scope definition, editorial board composition, submission guidelines, ethics policy, and workflow setup. Our team helps you get it right from the beginning.

Peer Review Best Practices

A rigorous and well-documented peer review process is essential for credibility and indexing eligibility. We advise on reviewer selection, conflict-of-interest policies, turnaround times, and handling revisions and appeals.

Editorial Policies & Ethics

We guide journals on authorship criteria, plagiarism handling, retraction procedures, and research misconduct – all in line with COPE best practices. A clear and published ethics policy is increasingly required by indexing bodies.

Growth & Visibility

From Special Issues and society partnerships to submission outreach and author communication, we help journals grow their submission volume, readership, and academic reputation over time.

They Already Trust JAMS

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"We are very happy with JAMS' simplicity of design and the organisation it brings to a small but active journal publishing programme. Being a small university press, most systems are out of budget; however, JAMS provides us all the typical submission system functionality needed in line with budgets reflective of our size."

Ian Caswell, UCL Press

"Top-quality services at the lowest price on the market. I have worked with them for over 18 months and I have only positive words. An enthusiastic and professional team ready to support and develop any plug-in or extension of the platform."

Alex Grumezescu, AMG Transcend

"We've had a great experience working with JAMS. As a small, new journal without substantial funding, we explored many options and are super happy to have found JAMS. The system itself is very robust and capable of more than we even realized we would need. Also, the support we have received has been top notch. We have had the opportunity to customize much of the system for our needs. And throughout the entire process, we've had excellent timely communication and support for every aspect of our use of JAMS. We highly recommend JAMS!"

Kara Mitchell Viesca, PhD, Racial Justice in Multilingual Education

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