Introduction

ProduXion Manager® is a cloud-based production tracking system for scholarly journals, reference works and other publications employing value-added pre-press and digital workflows. The highly configurable content management system (CMS) manages metadata and files, in addition to workflow steps, automated communication between in-house staff and vendors, and robust key performance indicator (KPI) and schedule driven reporting.

Core Functionality

ProduXion Manager users can simply assign, manage, and report on production tasks from anywhere in the world using our leading edge cloud-based system.

- Track task-level scheduled dates to actuals and benefit from slippage alerts driven by target publication dates
- Issue and article-based workflows and tracking available to support all publication models
- Push files to, and communicate with, external vendors and freelancers within the system
- Supports human-to-human and machine-to-machine assignments (FTP compatible)
- The Production Status Grid allows Excel-style customization of columns and rows, and easy toggling between issues and individual articles
- Manage user permissions by configuring roles for vendors, freelancers, and staff

Compatible With Data Standards You Use

ProduXion Manager includes value added, time saving features that integrate recognized data standards ensuring clean metadata capture, and reliable transfer. Associated tasks can be performed automatically at configurable checkpoints in the workflow:

- Out-of-the-box export and ingest of XML manuscript metadata in JATS format
- Assign and manage DOIs®
- Disambiguate author identities using authenticated ORCID® IDs
- Normalized institutional names from Ringgold
- Normalized funder IDs from FundRef
- Links bibliographic references to external databases CrossRef® and PubMed
- Integrated artwork quality checking to suit your artwork quality standards and workflow needs
- ISO 10646-1 (Unicode Standard) enables the storage of non-roman and diacritic characters to transfer reliably throughout production and downstream to print and online publication
- ISO 3166 ensures the reliable cross-systems transfer of normalized country data

Manage Article Publication Charges (APCs)

ProduXion Manager includes the data points needed to streamline APCs via our integration with RightsLink® for Open Access. Institutional affiliation discounts, funder license requirements, APC estimating and fee collection are all seamlessly managed.

Reliable Hosting Infrastructure

ProduXion Manager stores data that is mission critical to publishing enterprises. Disaster recovery, continuity

Track, manage, & measure.
Save time, gain visibility, & streamline workflows.
of service and data security are essential attributes of this enterprise-class system. Our products are secured by dual, geographically separate mirrored data centers; users benefit from 99.99% availability and regular security audits to ensure that all data and data back-ups are secure.

Enterprise Analytics Reporting
Measuring production workflows helps surface opportunities to reduce turnaround times, and drive continuous improvement efforts. In ProduXion Manager, these metrics can be accessed from a list of “standard reports” run with a single click. Enterprise Analytics Reporting also allows users to construct their own single or cross publication reports based on KPIs important to their own workflows.

Standard reports include data visualization options including chart, gauge, summary, and detailed format for onscreen viewing. Report data can also be exported in several formats including: Word, Excel, XML, and PDF.

Access Production Data On Demand
ProduXion Manager is accessible at any time, from any location. Whether key staff are working late to release an issue, unexpectedly away, or working remotely, production files and workflow status information are all fully available on any device. ProduXion Manager’s cloud-based, web-accessible file inventory holds an unlimited number of companion files constituting “works in progress” and their associated details, notes, or flags. Files can be checked in and out based on user task assignments and permissions. Powerful “proxying” capabilities allow administrators to complete tasks assigned to other users.

Leverage ProduXion Manager for these human-to-human workflows, as well as machine-to-machine tasks such as FTP push and pull for compositor and printer file transfers.

Responsive Customer Care
ProduXion Manager customers are assigned a dedicated Account Coordinator (AC) to assist with transition, configuration, and remain available for ongoing support. Our ACs have extensive experience with production workflows and transition management. We also have an active, engaged user community who connect via our listserv and our bi-annual user group meetings in Boston and London.

Proven Solution
ProduXion Manager is currently used by the world’s top scholarly publishers including Wiley-VCH, American Meteorological Society, Public Library of Science (PLoS), Wolters Kluwer, Nature, the American Society for Civil Engineers, the Geological Society of America and many more.

“The implementation of ProduXion Manager has been invlauable to our journals enterprise. The seamless integration with Editorial Manager and the growing capabilities of PM are making our journals workflows more and more efficient.”

-Michael A. Friedman, Ph.D.
American Meteorological Society

Contact Us Today
Our complimentary consultation will show you how ProduXion Manager will increase the efficiency of and add value and flexibility to your production workflows.

Aries Systems
Aries is based in North Andover, MA and was founded in 1986. We have an office in Germany and a local team in the UK. In Japan, we work closely with a business partner. Aries is a successful, privately held company that employs approximately 80 staff. Editorial Manager® and ProduXion Manager® are cloud-based SaaS (Software as a Service) solutions that enable the submission, peer review, workflow control and content management of high-value documents such as journal manuscripts, conference submissions and grant proposals. Currently, our systems are used by thousands of journals, hundreds of publishers and millions of registered users.

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