Open Access journal PeerJ opens for submissions starting December 3rd



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PeerJ (<u>https://peerj.com</u>), a new multidisciplinary Open Access journal, announced today a formal Call for Papers, with submissions being welcomed starting December 3rd, 2012.

Since its original announcement (https://peerj.com/about/reviews), *PeerJ* has brought together an engaged community of scientists to form an Editorial Board with a broad range of expertise. At the same time, they have created an online Submission, and Peer Review system that has been extremely well received by early beta testers. The Editorial Board is now comprised of 700 leading academics, in addition to an Advisory Board of 20 (which includes 5 Nobel Laureates), and that group has been testing the submission and peer review software throughout November. The successful conclusion of this beta period means that the journal is now ready to begin accepting public submissions starting December 3rd.

CEO and Co-Founder Jason Hoyt said "We are excited to start receiving submissions and are pleased to be able to provide researchers with a cutting edge system for submission and publication. We look forward to publishing our first articles in early 2013 and to continuing our vision for the future of scientific publishing."

Unique among academic publishers, PeerJ provides authors with low cost lifetime memberships giving them the rights to publish their papers freely thereafter. Three membership plans exist - **Basic**, **Enhanced** and **Investigator**. All Member plans confer lifetime rights, and the three tiers allow members to publish once, twice, or an unlimited number of times per year in *PeerJ*. Each author on a paper must be a member and the Basic membership plan is just \$99 (see: http://peerj.com/pricing for full details).

PeerJ will publish all well reported, scientifically sound research in the Biological and Medical Sciences. The journal operates a rigorous peer review process and will deliver the highest standards in everything it does. The Aims & Scope of the journal are detailed at: https://peerj.com/about/aims-and-scope, Instructions for Authors can be found at: https://peerj.com/about/author-instructions, the Editorial Criteria can be found at: https://peerj.com/about/editorial-criteria, and the Editorial Board can be viewed at: https://peerj.com/academic-boards/advisors. Starting December 3rd, authors can submit to *PeerJ* by visiting https://peerj.com/academic-boards/advisors. Starting December

With this Call for Papers, *PeerJ* is now moving swiftly towards first publications, as well as the launch of *PeerJ PrePrints* (https://peerj.com/about/publications/#PeerJ-PrePrints), both of which are planned for early 2013.

<u>About PeerJ:</u> PeerJ is an Open Access publisher of scholarly scientific content, which offers researchers a lifetime membership, for a single low price, giving them the ability to publish all future articles for free. The company has two publications: a peer-reviewed journal named "*PeerJ*" and a preprint server called "*PeerJ PrePrints*". PeerJ is based in San Francisco, CA and London, UK and is co-

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