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– an open archive for organic research

Organic Eprints is an open, on-line archive for research in organic agriculture with more than 8,000 publications – and growing rapidly. All use of the archive is free of charge.

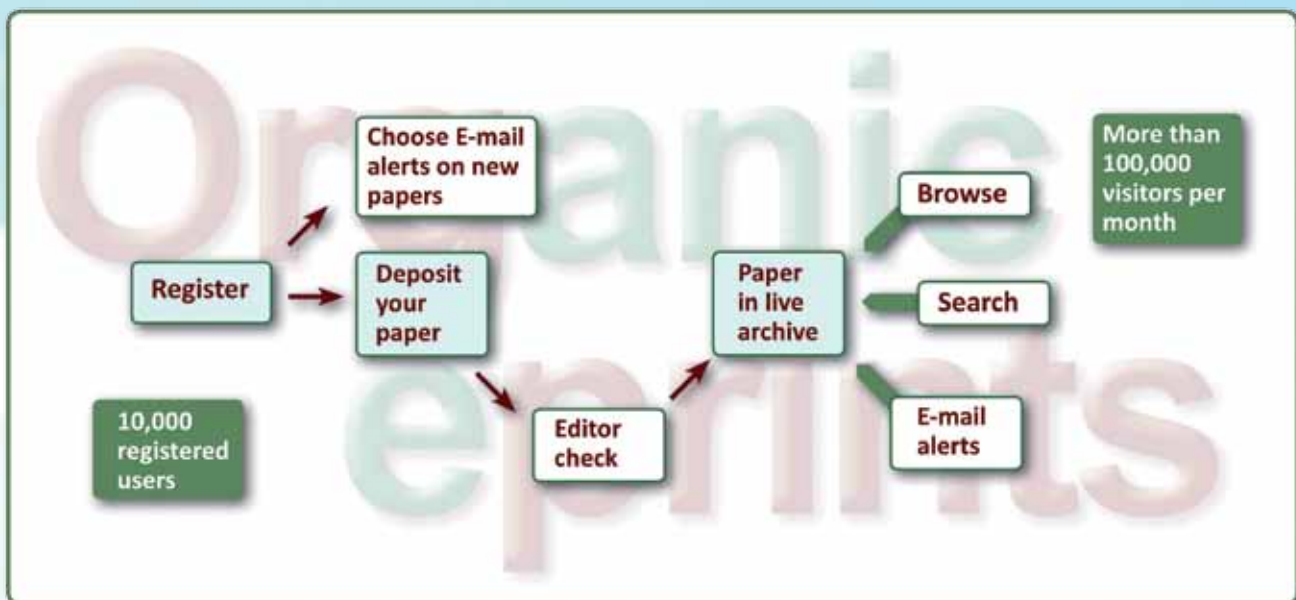
There are 10,000 registered users of Organic Eprints, and the archive has more than 100,000 visitors each month.

The archive contains scientific and popular articles, reports, presentations, project descriptions, books and other research publications.

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Using Organic Eprints

You can browse the archive by subject area or by country, organisation and project, and Organic Eprints also has a powerful search function to help you find what you are looking for.

After registering, you can choose to get email alerts on new publications in subject areas of your interest. You can also deposit your own publications in the archive to increase their visibility and availability. Each deposit is checked by an editor for relevance to research in organic agriculture and data accuracy.

Organic Eprints is for:

- ▶ Researchers
- ▶ Advisors
- ▶ Policy makers
- ▶ Media
- ▶ NGOs
- ▶ interested consumers

The main objectives of Organic Eprints are

- ▶ to facilitate the communication of organic research papers and proposals
- ▶ to improve the dissemination and impact of organic research findings
- ▶ to document the organic research effort

In accordance with these objectives the archive is designed to facilitate international use and cooperation.

- Get easy access to thousands of papers on organic food and farming

Organic Eprints – the next step

Organic Eprints has been established as a key source of organic research communication in Europe, and it is used worldwide. Now, the partners behind Organic Eprints want to take the next step toward wider international cooperation.

Individual researchers from all over the world may and do register and deposit their own publications in the archive. By making their research publications openly and freely available on the internet, they can increase research impact and the speed of research communication.

Collaboration benefits

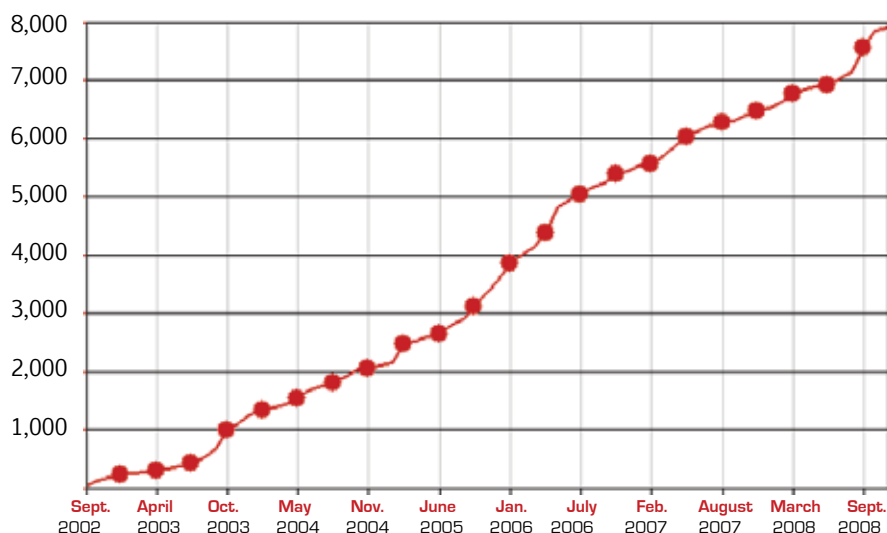
Research projects, programmes, organizations and countries may also enter into a collective cooperation with the Organic Eprints archive. The benefits of such collaboration include:

- ▶ getting their own section in the archive browse views
- ▶ greatly increasing the visibility and impact of their research
- ▶ documentation of their research efforts
- ▶ the possibility of having their own editor in the archive
- ▶ opportunities to influence the future development of the archive

The collaborating parties can link from their own website to their section in the archive, or link to customized searches in the archive, thus making their research production directly available for overview and download in the manner they choose.



Number of records, 2002-2008



This figure shows the growing number of publications in Organic Eprints from 2002 until today.

- Share your own papers: 100,000 visitors each month

Organic Eprints background

Organic Eprints was established in 2002 as a community service by DARCOF, now ICROFS, the International Centre for Research in Organic Food Systems.

Today, in 2009, there are three partners who are responsible for running the archive, ICROFS from Denmark, the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL) and the Federal Organic Farming Scheme (BÖL) from Germany. Within the context of the CORE Organic project (www.coreorganic.org), eleven European countries have dedicated themselves to depositing their research output in the archive, and offered their services as country editors within the archive.

Nine international organisations, twenty EU projects and more than thirty countries across the world have deposited publications in the archive. Recently several international conferences, including the IFOAM/ISOFAR organic conferences, have begun using the archive to make their conference papers more widely available.

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