

# TRANSFER CODE OF PRACTICE & ALERTING SERVICE

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## WHAT IS TRANSFER?

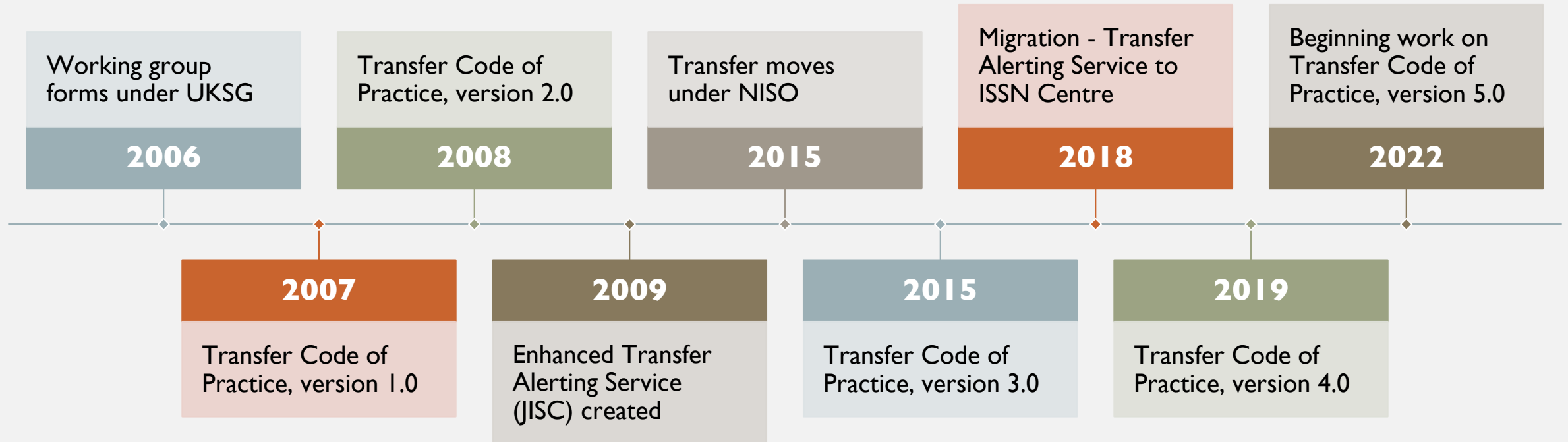
A voluntary code for journal publishers containing best practices for transferring and receiving journals.

Governed by a standing committee of librarians, publishers & other intermediaries

Transfer is more than just a code:

- Transfer Alerting Service (database, RSS feed, listserv)
- Ongoing program of outreach, education, and support

# HISTORY



# Committee Roster

## Co-chairs

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## TRANSFER STANDING COMMITTEE

Updated [NISO TRANSFER](#) website

Improved [FAQ](#) with information about the benefits for Publishers, Societies and Libraries

New Step-by-Step instructions for registering transferred titles at the ISSN Portal by Receiving Publishers including a [slide deck](#) and [video](#)

Updating publisher contacts and distributing credentials to new contacts

## WHY DO PUBLISHERS & SOCIETIES LOVE TRANSFER?

- Succinct checklist for both transferring and receiving publishers
- Helps you not overlook important assets and information
- Suggests timeline benchmarks
- Not prescriptive – you do things the way it works best for you

## WHY DO PUBLISHERS & SOCIETIES NOT JOIN TRANSFER?

- We never receive or transfer titles
  - (except for those few times)
- We send out all of the relevant information that librarians need in our newsletters
  - (Really? The new URL? The date of the transfer? Who has the perpetual access? Both leavers and takeovers?)
- Why should we have to follow another long rigid procedure?
  - (It's only 7 pages. 4 for the transferring publisher, 2 for the receiver. It is written mostly by publishers involved in transfers to help you get the information you need for a successful transfer).

## BENEFITS FOR LIBRARIES

- The TAS: Sign up to receive alerts and/or search the database
- All the information you need in one place:
  - The URL!
  - When the transfer is effective – the exact volume
  - Which publisher has the archive and can provide your perpetual access
- ONLY bad thing:
  - Why are there so many publishers who don't participate?



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SERVICE  
HOSTED BY  
ISSN CENTRE



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## Welcome to the Transfer Alerting Service


The [NISO Transfer Code of Practice](#) sets out best practices for scholarly publishers to ensure that journal transfers between parties occur with minimum disruption and that the content remains accessible. The Transfer Alerting Service (TAS) has been designed to facilitate communication of journal transfers and is hosted by the International ISSN Centre.

The TAS is made up of:

- A database of journal transfers which can be [searched](#) or [browsed](#). This allows librarians and other interested parties to access the details of journal transfers announced through the TAS and provides an archive of transfer information supplied by publishers using the service.
- A notification service available through an [RSS feed](#) or by signing-up to a dedicated [mailing list](#). Librarians, information professionals, and representatives of other organisations with an interest in journal transfers are encouraged to sign up to the list. Every time a journal transfer is announced through the TAS, registrants receive email alerts detailing the journal(s) involved, bibliographic information, and contact details for the publishers involved.
- An [API](#) which may be used by interested parties to query or integrate with the TAS.

Publishers are required to register with the ISSN International Centre to provide journal transfer information for announcement through the TAS. Under the terms of the Code, endorsing publishers are required to use the service whenever they receive a new journal.

## [Transfer Notifications](#)

ETAS RSS 2.0 Feed 

[Business research quarterly \(Internet\)](#)

Print ISSN: 23409436  
Online ISSN: 23409444  
Effective transfer date: 2020-01-01  
To: SAGE Publishing  
From : Elsevier  
2020-01-10T09:02:17

[Agricultural & environmental letters](#)

Print ISSN:  
Online ISSN: 24719625  
Effective transfer date: 2020-01-01  
To: Wiley  
From : ACSESS Digital Library  
2020-01-06T09:41:11

Browse to  
view all  
recent  
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DATE FILTERS

TRANSFER DATE

FROM :

year

month

TO :

year

month

CREATION DATE

FROM :

year

month

TO :

year

month

RESULTS PER PAGE

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Creation date ascending

Creation date descending

Journal title ascending

Journal title descending

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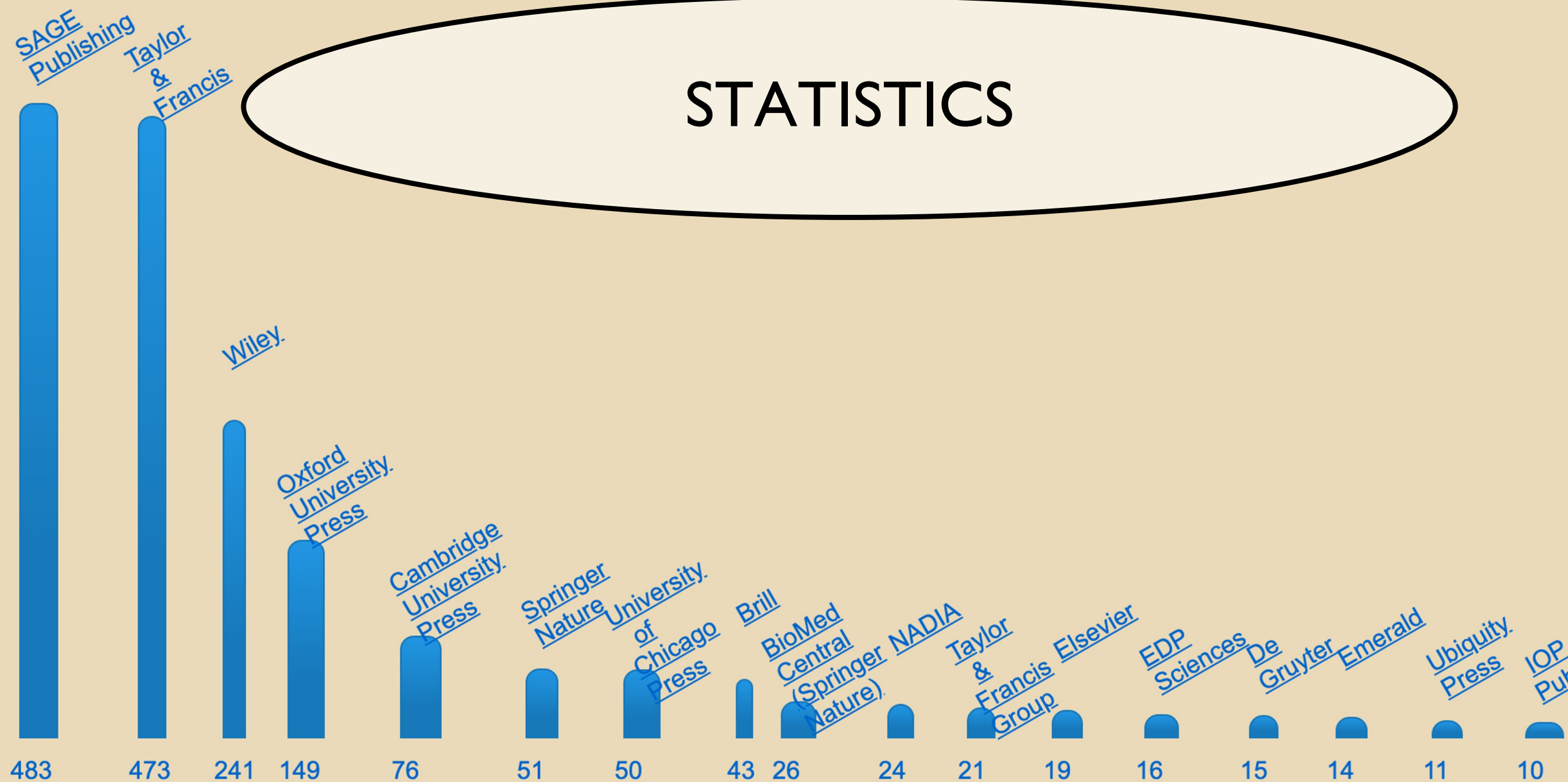
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#	TITLE	Print ISSN	Online ISSN	Receiving Publisher	Transferring Publisher	Transfer Date	Creation Date
1	<a href="#">Ěkologiâ čeloveka</a>	<a href="#">1728-0869</a>	:	Eco-Vector	Northern State Medical University	2022-01-15	2022-01-25
2	<a href="#">Ěkologiâ čeloveka</a>	<a href="#">1728-0869</a>	:	Eco-Vector	Northern State Medical University	2022-01-15	2022-01-25
3	<a href="#">Journal of children's orthopaedics (Print)</a>	<a href="#">1863-2521</a>	<a href="#">1863-2548</a>	SAGE Publishing	Bone & Joint Publishing (The British Editorial Society of Bone & Joint Surgery)	2022-01-01	2021-09-08
4	<a href="#">oncologist (Dayton, Ohio. Online) (The )</a>	<a href="#">1083-7159</a>	<a href="#">1549-490X</a>	Oxford University Press	Wiley	2022-01-01	2021-09-30

Number of transfer alerts per receiving publisher

# STATISTICS



# API INFO

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## API

API is generally RESTFUL and returns results in JSON.

### API BaseURL

[https://journaltransfer.issn.org/transfer/search\\_transfer/api?](https://journaltransfer.issn.org/transfer/search_transfer/api?) - querying this URL will return a list of all the transfers recorded within the ETAS database.

### API Filters

To refine the query, filters may be appended to the BaseURL as a QueryString:


?key1=value1&key2=value2...

Example : [https://journaltransfer.issn.org/transfer/search\\_transfer/api?query=rpcn:cox](https://journaltransfer.issn.org/transfer/search_transfer/api?query=rpcn:cox)

To get all the transfers recorded, please use the URL :

[https://journaltransfer.issn.org/transfer/search\\_transfer/api?query=\\*](https://journaltransfer.issn.org/transfer/search_transfer/api?query=*)

Keys	Values	Description
tid	{integer}	ETAS transfer identifier
issn	{issn}	Format xxxx-xxxx
from-effective-transfer-date	{date}	Format YYYY-MM-DD, YYYY-MM or YYYY
until-effective-transfer-date	{date}	Format YYYY-MM-DD, YYYY-MM or YYYY



## WHY REVISE THE TRANSFER CODE?

- Transformative Agreements - Open Access publishing commitments, waivers, APCs
- Subscribing Institutions – Defining paid subscribers
- Perpetual access rights, backfile content
- Updating downstream services with corrected links



## LINKS

### **NISO Transfer Online**

<https://www.niso.org/standards-committees/transfer>

### **Transfer Alerting Service**

<https://journaltransfer.issn.org/>

### **NISO Transfer Code of Practice (v. 4)**

<https://www.niso.org/publications/rp-24-2019-transfer>

QUESTIONS?

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