



Author & Reviewer Main Menu Redesign FAQs

As part of our new UI/UX initiative, Aries Systems will be releasing an enhanced interface for the Author and Reviewer Main Menu and subsequent folder pages within Editorial Manager® (EM) and ProduXion Manager® (PM). For more information on Aries' initiative, refer to our [UX/UI Redesign Initiative FAQs](#).

Please consult your Aries Account Coordinator (AC) if you have additional questions.

Q: What changes can customers expect to see with the new Author and Reviewer Main Menu design?

A: The updated Main Menus for Authors and Reviewers within Editorial Manager and ProduXion Manager include only user interface (UI) enhancements. In addition to updating the Author and Reviewer Main Menu pages, the enhancement also extends to all of the folders available from the Main Menus, with the exception of the New Reviewer Invitations folder accessed from the Reviewer Main Menu. All functions from the original Main Menus and menu folders are retained under the new design, but with a fresh look and feel for a more modern user experience. The design features updated colors, typefaces, and spacing, consistent with the recent [main navigation bar redesign](#) and [Aries' recent rebrand](#).

Q: Why is the New Reviewer Invitations folder excluded from this update?

A: Unlike the other Author/Reviewer menu folders, the New Reviewer Invitations folder contains an interactive PowerGrid for dashboard display. PowerGrids will be updated as part of Aries' UX/UI initiative separately, at a later date.

Q: When will the redesigned Main Menus be released?

A: The updated Main Menus for Author and Reviewers will be automatically released to all EM/PM sites on January 19, 2022.

Q: What about the Editor Main Menu? Will that area of the system be updated?

A: Although not included with this update, Aries will update the Editor Main Menu as part of our UI/UX initiative for EM and PM. As the project progresses, Aries will notify users of future enhancements to the Editor Main Menu as they become available.

Q: What support resources will be available for the redesigned Main Menus, and where can users find them?

A: Aries will provide all the necessary resources to prepare and support our customers for the interface transition, including Release Notes documentation, training webinars, FAQ sheets, etc. These materials will be made available on the [Resources page](#) on the Aries website upon release.

Q: Will customers be charged for the updated Author/Reviewer Main Manus?

A: No, customers will not be charged for the redesigned Author and Reviewer Main Menus, or for any upcoming interface updates introduced to their EM/PM sites as part of the Aries UI/UX initiative.

Q: Can publishers opt out of the Author and Reviewer Main Menu UI update?

A: No, EM/PM customers cannot opt out of the Main Menu updates or any future UI/UX improvements to the system. All interface enhancements will automatically be applied to all EM/PM sites upon release, unless otherwise specified. Customers will not be able to “toggle” between old and new interfaces.

