



## Reprints Desk's Article Galaxy STM Research Platform Expands Authentication Options with Implementation of OpenAthens

*Research Solutions Subsidiary Reprints Desk Joins OpenAthens Federation of Trusted Partners, Simplifying Secure Access to Research*

ENCINO, Calif. and BATH, U.K., January 19, 2017 — **Research Solutions, Inc.**, (OTCQB: RSSS), a pioneer in cloud-based solutions for scientific research, today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary **Reprints Desk, Inc.**, has joined Eduserv's OpenAthens federation. The move expands the portfolio of secure authentication tools for Reprints Desk's Article Galaxy platform that provides a single point of on-demand access to full-text content across science, technology, medicine and other subjects.

OpenAthens offers a Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML)-based framework for single sign-on (SSO) access to scientific content that eliminates the many hassles associated with managing multiple login credentials, particularly as researchers move from one online resource to another.

Information consumers from OpenAthens' global base of customers comprised of more than 2,000 organizations across corporate, academic, and government sectors can now authenticate into Article Galaxy with one point of entry via OpenAthens using unified access credentials.

An OpenAthens reseller since 2015, Reprints Desk has recently completed full implementation of the OpenAthens solution. With OpenAthens, Reprints Desk's suite of authentication tools now includes (among others):

- SAML 2.0 Federated SSO with OpenAthens
- Secure Access with OKTA for SSO Customers
- Username and Password
- IP-based Authentication & Access
- Access via Application Program Interface (API)

“Our focus at Reprints Desk has always been on removing the friction between knowledge and access,” explains Ian Palmer, Research Solutions’ Chief Sales and Marketing Officer. “To that end, by providing our customers with a secure and efficient means for single sign-on, managed access has become even easier. Moreover, in expanding our partnership with Eduserv via membership in the OpenAthens federation, we join a growing network of trusted partners dedicated to simplifying authorized access to information both securely and in compliance with copyright licenses.”

“We’ve been working with Reprints Desk for many years now, and so we are particularly excited to add them to the OpenAthens federation,” said Jon Bentley, Commercial Director for OpenAthens. “Combining the Article Galaxy platform with OpenAthens’ industry-leading single sign-on technology will provide users with secure, straightforward, and attributable access to vital content across Reprints Desk’s served spaces.”

Corporations, academic institutions, and government organizations around the world rely on Article Galaxy for copyright-compliant access to full-text scientific, technical, and medical content when subscription access does not yet exist. As a cloud-based service, Article Galaxy provides one-stop shopping and lowest cost acquisition of full-text journal articles, ensuring copyright-compliant access when filtering requests against subscriptions and Open Access content.

### **About Research Solutions**

Research Solutions, Inc. (OTCQB: RSSS) is a pioneer in cloud-based research intelligence and retrieval solutions for R&D-driven organizations. More than 70 percent of the top 25 pharmaceutical companies in the world rely on services delivered by Research Solutions’ wholly owned subsidiary Reprints Desk. The company’s Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) platform provides customers with on-demand access to, and augmented data from, tens of millions of scientific, medical, and technical (STM) documents, helping them to accelerate acquisition at the point of discovery, save time and money, and remain copyright-compliant. For more information, visit [www.researchsolutions.com](http://www.researchsolutions.com).

### **About Reprints Desk**

Reprints Desk, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Research Solutions, simplifies how organizations procure, access, manage, use, and legally share scholarly journal articles, clinical reprints, patents, and other content in medical affairs and scientific, technical, and medical (STM) research. Organizations fueled by intellectual property choose Reprints Desk because of its collaborative business approach, efficient article supply system and services, and commitment to quality post-sales support. Reprints Desk has ranked #1 in every Document

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### **About OpenAthens / Eduserv**

The team at OpenAthens develops and supports identity and access management software. Its mission is to remove barriers to knowledge and connect people to information. Over 2,000 organizations use the software, equating to a worldwide network of millions of end-users. The OpenAthens international customer base includes a large number of universities in the UK and beyond, medical and national health organizations, major corporate research organizations, and some of the world's largest publishers. For more information on OpenAthens see our [website](#), [watch our videos](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#). OpenAthens is part of Eduserv, a not-for-profit IT services company based in Bath, UK, with a range of services that span identity and access management, managed cloud services, and digital development.

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