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Research Communication Newsletter

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Dear readers, September finds our monthly Research Communication Newsletter back from a summer break. To welcome the Autumn, a bumper edition awaits you below.

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Report and Toolkit to Support Learned Society Publishers Transition to Immediate
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Independent report and transformative agreement toolkit launched to support Learned Society publishers transition to immediate Open Access and align with Plan S

New deals could help scientific societies survive open access

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