

# "A Society Publisher's Limited Foray into Open Access"

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- Serves the professional and scientific needs of entomologists and people in related disciplines
- Founded in 1889
- Approximately 5,700 members affiliated with educational institutions, health agencies, private industry, and government
- Publishes 4 primary research journals



# ESA Journals

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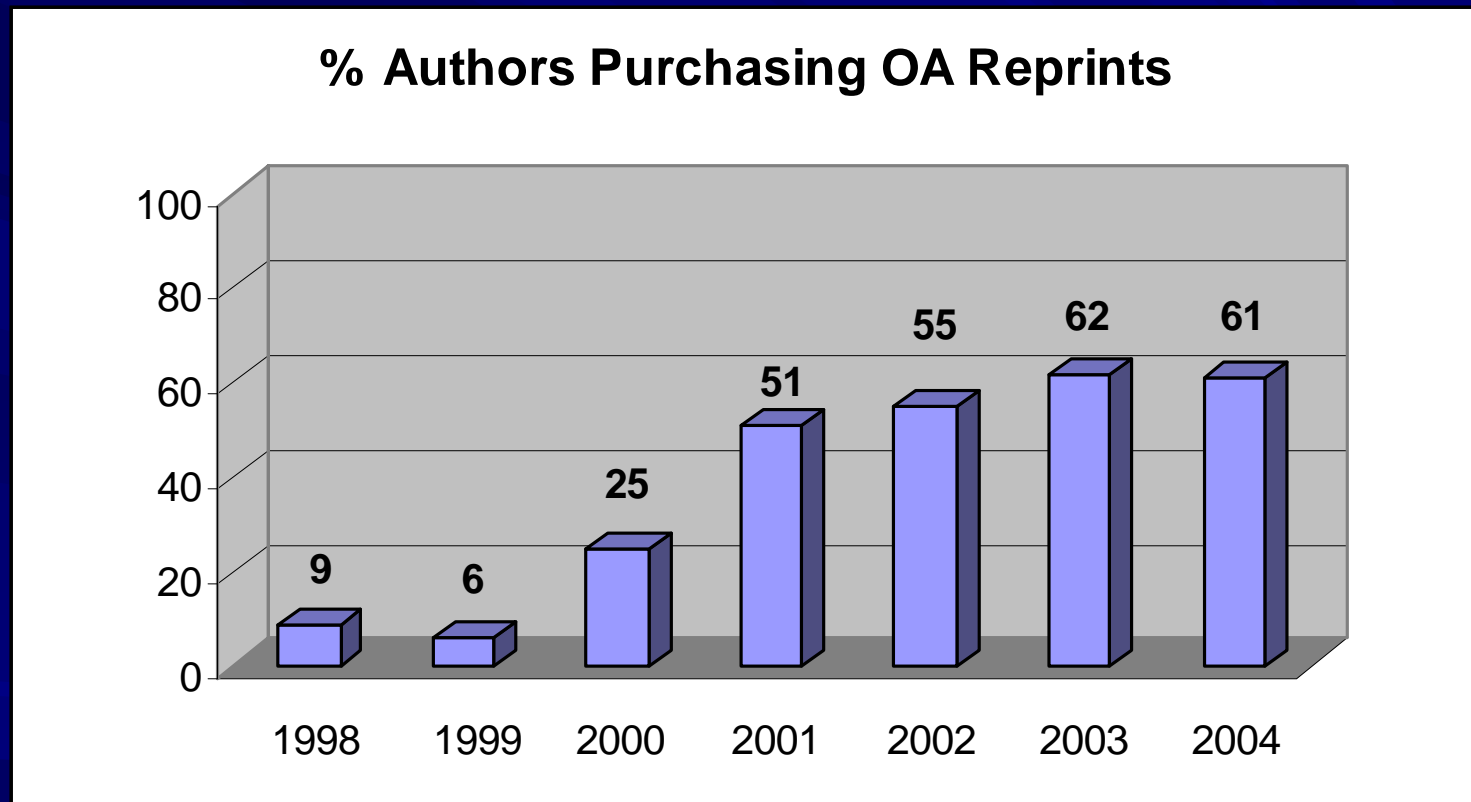
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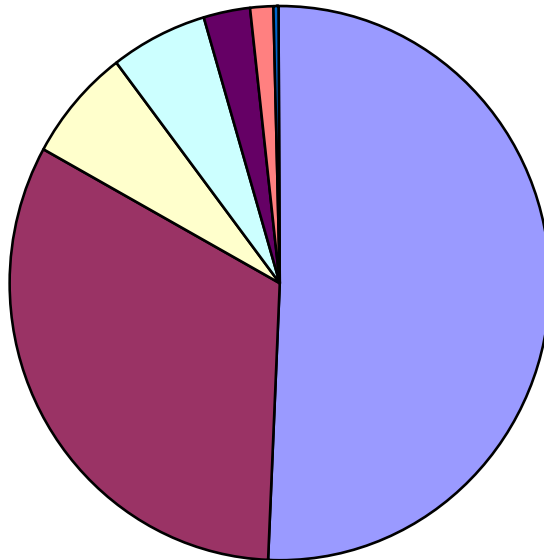
- Reprint service began in 1998
- Open Access (OA) Reprint initially posted on ESA's own website in 1998
- Beginning in 1999, when journals became available online, link to each OA Reprint was posted with its respective article
- OA Reprints were priced at 75% of price for 100 printed reprints, based on the number of pages (in 4's)
- Only about 10% of authors purchased OA Reprints during the first 2 years

# Percentage of authors purchasing Open Access Reprints – all journals



# Percentage of Income from Open Access Reprints – 2004

## Journal Income-2004



- Subscriptions-50%
- Page Charges-33%
- Reprints-Open Access-7%
- Reprints-Print-6%
- Postage-3%
- Back Issues-1%
- Royalties-<1%

# Results

- After a slow start, service has been highly used by authors
- Approximately 16% of authors purchase both OA and printed reprints
- ESA “profit” margin is greater on OA Reprints than printed reprints
- Perceived as a reasonable and economical way to support open access

# The Future

- ESA considering allowing two-year old journal articles to become open access
- If yes, may increase the prices for Open Access Reprints to offset any loss of income from back issue sales
- ESA will continue to publish journals in both print and online formats
- Will continue to sell journals by subscriptions
- NIH open access recommendations are not yet an issue for ESA