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# SCOAP3 for DOE

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# LANL and SCOAP3

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- A natural fit
  - The high energy physics (HEP) community essentially pioneered open access (OA)
  - xxx.lanl.gov physics archive (which started originally at Los Alamos National Laboratory) - now the [arXiv.org](https://arxiv.org)
  - CERN preprint document server
  - SLAC SPIRES
- LANL Research Library is supporting SCOAP3 as a member of the HEP community and a proponent of open access principles

# 10,000 foot view of DOE Labs and SCOAP3

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- DOE Labs that do heavy HEP research are very interested. Committed are:
  - Argonne National Laboratory (ANL)
  - Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)
  - FermiLab
  - Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL)
- DOE Labs that do not do HEP research have no investment.
- Most DOE Labs are undecided and waiting on more information from the Berkeley meeting.

## Concerns expressed by some DOE labs

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- Sustainability of model
- Lack of disincentive to opt out of model once committed
- Cost savings need to be verifiable
- Multi-year commitment may be unsustainable due to budget uncertainties
- Declining value of US dollar
- “The SCOAP3 proposal supports paying for peer review, instead of paying to read”

## Clearly...

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The SCOAP3 model is important as it provides a forum for discussion on a new economic model in support of universal access.

SCOAP3 is significantly contributing the discussion on a new economic model for scholarly publishing.