

2. Does the increasing use or distribution of AI-generated material raise any unique issues for your sector or industry as compared to other copyright stakeholders?

I am currently a research engineer, and a significant portion of my time involves reading research (published journal articles) or writing. Generative AI potentially allows for the creation of sketchy research articles that are not actually based on experimentation. The lack of fact-checking could prove to be a problem. Having generative AI develop research papers based on past publications could have disastrous effects. AI-only writing or AI assisted writing is faster than traditional writing, which would make it easy to flood journals with articles. Even if most do not pass peer review, it will create extra work for reviewers and those that are accepted would set back technological development across multiple fields. Furthermore, time strapped students and foreign adversaries are likely to use the easy method to produce subpar research papers in an area that already suffers from a replication crisis. Generative AI will further exasperate further problems.