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ebrary Inks Deals with Top International Publishers

Oxford University Press, Brill Academic Publishers, Manchester University Press, SAGE Publications, and Artech House to distribute online books to libraries worldwide via the ebrary Dynamic Content Platform (DCP)[™] solution

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