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The biomedical sciences group of the Catholic University of Leuven has decided to move as quickly as possible towards e-only provision of journals and to re-focus its library activities towards a student-centred learning centre. This will represent a significant change in the package of services offered and the physical space of the facility. This decision has been partly enabled by a co-operative initiative to provide a distributed depot service between Flemish biomedical libraries whereby only one copy of the paper journal need be retained in Flanders. The issues involved in the Leuven decision as well as the modalities of the Flemish initiative will be discussed.

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