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Opinion of the European Hematology Association regarding Plan S

The European Hematology Association fully supports the Plan S, which aims for full and immediate Open Access to publications from publicly funded research.

The business model of subscription journals – which has authors pay for publishing and institutes for obtaining access – is outdated and unwanted. Publishers are charging twice without reinvesting the money back into research, leading to a net loss of research money to for-profit organizations.

Supporting the open access model will support journals such as *HemaSphere*, driven by societies that are non-profit and re-invest money into research.

We therefore consider it logical and justified for public funders in Europe to request that research funded by the EU or national agencies is published in open access journals.

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