

Supporting Open Access

Practical Tips for Publishing Houses and Journals

Publishers and journals support researchers in the publication and dissemination of research results and are thus important players in the scientific publishing system. They can:



Prioritise open & equitable scholarly communication

- If an open access business model is not yet in place, consider transforming or setting up a new one
- Choose a genuine open access business model (e.g. Gold Open Access) rather than a hybrid model
- Actively work with libraries & other academic institutions to establish funding models without author fees

Implement standards for open science communication



- Use licenses where the rights of use remain with the authors and which are aimed at wide dissemination and re-use (recommendation: [CC BY](#))
- Follow international recommendations (e.g. [Plan S](#) guidelines) for all publications
- Use unique identifiers for authors & institutions to clearly link publications & increase visibility (recommendation: [ORCID](#) & [ROR](#))



Ensure transparency

- Introduce transparent processes (e.g. open peer review)
- Calculate costs transparently and fairly (APCs, BPCs etc.)
- Name services clearly