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Scholarly Publishing Models

A Researcher writes an original research article, which is funded by their institution and/or granting council.
I$ and/or P$

The Researcher then makes a choice:

1. Deposit article in a Green Open Access Repository

and / or

2. Submit article to a Gold Open Access Journal

and / or

3. Submit article to a Subscription Journal

1 Green OA

Stage 1: Production

Institutional / Subject Repository

These **OA** repositories are maintained by the institution or scholarly society.

I$ or P$

The version in the IR may or may not be the version of record.

Stage 2: Distribution

2 Gold OA

There are multiple Gold OA models; See Page 2

Commercial **OA** Journal
APC, I$ or P$

Commercial Hybrid **OA** Journal
APC, I$ or P$

Institutional Hosted or Scholarly **OA** Journal
I$ or P$

3 Subscription Journal

Subscription journal, where the publisher owns the distribution rights.

Editors and reviewers, who are academic colleagues, assess the article and then accept or reject it for publication. Editors and reviewers are volunteers, and are not paid by the Publisher for their effort or expertise.

I and/or P

Journals are primarily ranked based on Impact Factor.

Researchers are motivated to publish in highly ranked journals to achieve promotion and tenure.

Conventional and **OA** journals may or may not have impact factors.

Green OA

Research is publicly available in a Repository, possibly after an embargo period.

Gold OA

Research is publicly available immediately.

Subscription Journal

Subscription Journal Access is restricted to subscribers only.

$I

OA = Open Access **$I** = Institution Dollars **$P** = Public Grant Dollars **APC** = Article Processing Charge

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Gold OA Models

Model A

Subscription OA Journal

Subscription journals either

-Convert an existing journal from subscription based to **OA**
-Journal retains its Impact Factor

-Create a new **OA** journal
-New journals take time to become established, but benefits from the Publisher's brand

Publishers charge Researchers an **APC**; **APC** is paid with a portion of their grant **(P$)**

or

The library may have an author's fund **(I$)**

Researchers benefit from peer review & journal prestige

Model B

Subscription Hybrid OA Journal

-A hybrid **OA** journal is a subscription based journal where only some of the articles are Open Access

-The author pays an **APC** to make a specific article **OA**

Publishers charge Researchers an **APC**;**APC** is paid with a portion of their grant **(P$)**

or

The library may have an author's fund **(I$)**

Institutions may pay twice here:

-Via the author for the **APC (I$, P$)**

-Via the library for the journal subscription **(I$)**

Researchers benefit from peer review & journal prestige

Model C

Institutional Hosted or Scholarly OA Journal

The **OA** journal is hosted by the Institution or a scholarly society

The Institution or scholarly society relies on institutional or grant money to host the journal platform and support production costs **I$ or P$**

Most Institutional and scholarly society **OA** journals are peer reviewed.

Researchers benefit from peer review. **OA** Journals tend to be newer; prestige takes time to develop

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