



New Open Access Possibilities in 2021

This year, there are new possibilities for you to publish Open Access (OA): New deals with publishers allow you to publish OA free of charge and our new OA Fund helps you cover fees for articles in pure OA journals. We also offer on-demand workshops and a webinar explaining what OA is and how you can benefit from it.



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New OA Deals As of 1 January 2021, corresponding authors at Eawag, Empa, PSI and WSL can publish OA in all (or most) journals published by the Royal Society, Sage and Taylor & Francis at no additional cost. OA fees are covered by the new agreements. These so-called read and publish agreements combine reading access to publishers' journals with provisions for affiliated authors to publish OA. Similar agreements previously negotiated with Elsevier and Springer continue in 2021. An agreement with Wiley is still being negotiated.

Below is an overview of the new and continued deals. For more details on the conditions, eligible journals, quotas, discounts, author actions, and background information, please visit our Open Access Discounts page.

OA Deals: Publishers and Eligible Journals

ECS: all journals (all of which are hybrid OA)

Elsevier: more than 2000 hybrid and full OA journals (Cell Press journals are excluded)

Royal Society*: all hybrid and full OA journals

Sage*: most hybrid OA journals (there is a 20% discount on full OA journals)

Springer: more than 2000 hybrid OA journals (Nature and full OA journals are excluded)

Taylor & Francis*: most hybrid and full OA journals

^{*} New OA deal

OA Fund

Lib4RI now offers an OA fund to support you in publishing research articles in peer-reviewed, pure OA journals, i.e. journals that make all articles freely available to the reader (see DOAJ). With immediate effect, the fund replaces the Eawag and Empa OA publication funds and will now support researchers at all four research institutes: Eawag, Empa, PSI, and WSL. The fund is intended as a last resort for articles accepted for publication in eligible pure OA journals to cover fees when funds from any other source are unavailable. Visit our Open Access Fund page to learn more about the funding conditions and application process.

Green OA

Where the OA deals or the new OA fund do not meet your needs, e.g. if you are not the corresponding author or if the journal is not eligible, don't fret! Almost all articles published closed access in traditional journals can be made OA in DORA with minimum effort and at no cost whatsoever. Simply send us the accepted versions of your published articles (i.e. the manuscripts after peer review but before publisher typesetting). This green road to OA is compliant with the OA regulations of many research funders. Also, note that archiving the accepted versions of your articles in DORA is mandatory for all researchers at Eawag (intranet) and Empa (intranet). Visit our Open Access page to find out more about green OA.

OA Info

We know that OA is becoming increasingly complicated, so we hope that the information here and on our website helps. We are happy to arrange customised training sessions to explain and discuss OA in more detail with your group or department (also via Zoom). Simply use our book a librarian service. To learn more about what OA is, what its benefits are and how to make your publication OA and get funding for it, watch our latest OA webinar. Of course, you can always contact us if you have any questions about OA discounts, OA funding or need assistance with OA publishing.

Library News



Electronic Resources: Changes in 2021

We've added hundreds of new journals and thousands of new e-books to our portfolio. At the same time, we've cancelled just a handful of products – mainly due to low usage. Here are the most important changes in 2021: Read more.

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Trial Access: PressReader

We are thrilled to announce our new PressReader trial subscription. You now have unlimited access to thousands of local and international newspapers and magazines from 120 countries in 60 languages. All PressReader content is available at pressreader.com or in the PressReader app for Android or Apple devices. The trial will end on 15 February 2021, so make the most of it! Read more.



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Lib4RI Tutorials Now Online

Wondering how to make the most of DORA? We now offer you short online tutorials to help you through the process. Visit our vimeo channel to see our first tutorial on creating publication lists of a specific author in DORA and embedding this in your institutional website. You can find these videos on our Lib4RI website as well. Read more.



Lib4RI SOLA Team - Join Us!

For our 10-year anniversary, we're participating in this year's SOLA-relay! Come and join us! The SOLA-relay is the largest university sports event in Switzerland. It is a cross-country running race organised by ASVZ. This year's relay takes place on 8 Mai 2021. The

total distance of 114.18 km and ascent of 2655 m is divided into 14 legs. Up for the challenge? Contact us to join our team. Read more.



Happy New Year 2021 - 10 Years Lib4RI

Happy New Year! This year we're celebrating our 10-year anniversary. A full decade has passed since the libraries of Eawag, Empa, PSI and WSL merged. Huge thanks to you all for your continued support. We would like to invite you to celebrate with us. On our anniversary webpage you'll find information on all our anniversary events. Read more.

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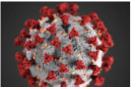


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Update COVID-19 Pandemic: Impact on our Library Services

As part of the new COVID-19 protection measures, the Federal Council has decreed the closure of all reading rooms of libraries and archives from 22 December 2020. Therefore, our reading rooms will stay closed until further notice. However, it will be possible to borrow, pick up and return books in the library; shipment via internal mail is recommended. Depending on the development of the COVID-19 pandemic further adaptations may be made in January. Read more.

Beyond the Library

Horizon 2020 / Open Research Europe

Open Research Europe is an open access (OA) publishing platform for the publication of research stemming from Horizon 2020 funding across all subject areas. The platform makes it easy for Horizon 2020 beneficiaries to comply with the OA terms of their funding and offers researchers a publishing venue to share their results and insights rapidly. Read more at Open Research Europe.

Publishers / Wiley acquires Hindawi

Wiley announced the acquisition of Hindawi, an innovator in Open Access (OA) publishing and one of the world's fastest growing scientific research publishers, for a total purchase price of \$298 million. The acquisition of Hindawi significantly increases Wiley's position as a major force in scholarly publishing. Read more at Businesswire.

Nature and Cell / Prohibitive Open Access

In a not-so-distant past, \$10'000 for a yearly journal subscription was considered «unsustainable» by many librarians. Elsevier now charges this exorbitant price for publishing 1 (in words: one) article Open Access in their highly regarded *Cell* journals. This follows Springer Nature's announcement of a similarly overpriced OA option for their *Nature* journals. Read more at Nature and Elsevier.

Peer Review / How to become a Peer Reviewer

Novice or early stage researchers can benefit greatly from peer reviewing other researchers' works. With the right motivation and a systematic approach, even early career researchers can succeed in the world of peer review. Read more at Enago.

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