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Introduction

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- Aalto University has reserved 120,000 euros for the pilot
- Every department has its own quota for OA article payments
- The head of department makes final decisions for the use of the department quota
- The quota depends on the publishing activity of the department during the past few years

Requirements

- To get the funding, publications must meet certain requirements
- Gold-model journals: Publication Forum’s* classification must be 1, 2 or 3
- Hybrid-model journals: Publication Forum’s* classification must be 2 or 3
- The Learning Centre verifies that the publication meets the requirements and checks if there are any discounts on APC-charges

Classifications of funded articles

The classifications:
- 1 = basic level
- 2 = leading level
- 3 = highest level

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Results

- The pilot is ongoing and these are the results so far (9.11.2017)
- Total number of funded articles: 52
- Licenses of funded articles: 88 % (46) CC-BY, 12 % (6) other licenses

Journal OA model of funded articles

- 54 % (28) Gold
- 46 % (24) Hybrid

Publishers of funded articles

- Nature Publishing Group: 21 % (11)
- Elsevier: 19 % (10)
- Royal Society of Chemistry: 6 % (3)
- Taylor & Francis: 10 % (5)
- Springer: 6 % (3)
- Other: 38 % (20)

*Publication Forum is a classification of publication channels created by the Finnish scientific community