



# GOLD Open Access Publishing Support 2011 Update

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**green road** of OA self-archiving is where authors deposit a free version of their published articles in an OA repository.

**old road** of OA journal publishing is where authors pay to publish in paid gold OA journals which are then freely available via OA, or by publishing their articles in free gold OA journals.

# CAUL survey

- Run by Carolyn Young, QUT in early 2009
- CAUL institutions were asked if the Library - does pay / does not pay / or used to pay - the author fees for gold open access journals
- 16 universities responded
- At that time:
  - 4 libraries did pay (but with 3 reviewing!)
  - 8 libraries did not pay
  - 4 libraries used to pay
- 2011 update, only 3 now pay (QUT, Monash, Macquarie) – uptake slightly reduced

QUT Library has supported QUT researchers publishing in GOLD Open Access journals since 2006. The Library pays the article processing charges for QUT researchers who are the corresponding author of articles published in approved open access journals.

QUT Library actively supports the [paid] gold road by:

- Managing the subscriptions for, and paying author publication fees for true gold road open access publishers
- Assisting academics with the publishing process
- [CDM 3.1.5 Open Access](#)

# Selection of gold OA Journals - Criteria for Support

- **Alignment** with QUT's research strengths and priorities
- QUT researcher feedback and demonstrated **demand**
- QUT Library will consider payment of article processing charges for articles accepted for publication in an open access journal where a QUT researcher is the corresponding author based on the following criteria which are documented in the relevant LibGuide at <http://libguides.library.qut.edu.au/content.php?pid=84068&sid=624559>
  - **ACCESS**: The full content of the journal is **publicly available online (OA) immediately** on publication.
  - **QUALITY**: Publication in the journal must confer a reasonable level of quality on accepted articles based on the journal having a **rigorous pre-publication peer review** process. Evidence of a rigorous pre-publication peer review process of a journal could be in the form of a Journal Impact Factor (WoK), refereed status in Ulrich's Periodical Database, a high status editorial board or significant value-adding in the copy-editing and formatting.
- **Acceptable and affordable** author publication fees
- The publisher / journal uses a **true gold open access** business model and not a hybrid “double dipper”
- **Budgetary implications** for the Library Resource Allocation (materials budget).
- Workload

BioMedCentral (BMC)

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/>



Public Library of Science (PLOS)

<http://www.plos.org/>



Hindawi

<http://www.hindawi.com/>



Molecular Diversity Preservation  
International (MDPI)

<http://www.mdpi.org/>



International Union of  
Crystallography

<http://www.iucr.org/>



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**CRYSTALLOGRAPHY**

- BMJ Open
- Creative Education
- Environmental Health Perspectives
- Journal of Sports Science and Medicine
- Open Biology
- SAGE Open
- Scientific Reports
- Sensors
- Springer Open

Newly  
Supported  
2011



# Faculty uptake

Number of articles published between 2006 and 2011

Year	BMC	BMJ Open	Creative Education	EHP	Hindawi	IUC R	JSS M	MDPI	Open Biology	PLoS	SAGE Open	Total
2006	1				2							3
2007	5				1							6
2008	10				3					2		15
2009	11				3					3		16
2010	23				2	4	1	1		4		35
2011	26	1	1	3	4	1				9		45
Total	76	1	1	3	15	5	1	1		18		121



## Publications by Faculty and Publisher

Faculty	BMC	BMJ Open	Creative Education	EHP	Hindawi	IUCR	JSSM	MDPI	Open Biology	Plos	SAGE Open	Total
BEENG	1				7					1		9
Education	1		1									2
Health	59	1		3	1		1	1		16		82
Science and Tech.	15				7	5				1		28
Total	76	1	1	3	15	5	1	1		18		121

# Author Satisfaction

- Thank you for processing this for us and this support from QUT. We are so impressed with the statistics provided by PLOS one – we have had 480 total views since the paper was published.
- **Total Article Views:** 480 from **Jan 12, 2012** (publication date) - **Feb 2, 2012\***

## **Breakdown by View Type**

HTML Page Views: **418**

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# Expenditure on Author Publishing Fees

## Expenditure 2006 - 2011

Year	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
\$	2,093	7,174	20,709	21,825	68,843	77,353

## 2010 expenditure with each publisher

BioMed Central	Hindawi	PLOS	IUCR	MDPI	Journal of Sports Science and Medicine
\$54,624	\$3,107	\$9,121	\$916	\$1,075	\$165

## 2011 expenditure with each publisher

BioMed Central	Hindawi	PLOS	IUCR	MDPI	BMJ Open	Environmental Health Perspectives	Creative Education	SAGE Open
\$54,861	\$3,019	\$13,096	\$874	0	\$1,934	\$3,254	\$315	\$0
Journal of Sports Science and Medicine	Open Biology		Scientific Reports		Sensors		Springer Open	
\$0	\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0	

## Expenditure on Author Publishing Fees and projection.



# Sustainability of Library Resource Allocation Support

- QUT has expended gbp68,258 for BMC articles since 2006, making the total average charge per article gbp898/A\$1,362
- QUT has expended usd38,035 for PLOS articles since 2007, making the total average charge per article usd2,113/A\$2,043
- QUT has expended usd9,000 for Hindawi articles since 2009, making the total average charge per article usd1,000/A\$967
- These costs are similar to the costs found in the literature but are these too high?

## In summary

The Library's support for GOLD Open Access publishing continues to grow in terms of numbers of journals and organisations supported and researcher uptake.

Support for GOLD Open Access publishing is currently sustainable and it is anticipated that QUT Library will budget to increase the support for 2012 to at least \$80,000.