



IOP Publishing is largest physics publisher to strike open access agreement with the Council of Australian University Librarians

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IOP Publishing (IOPP) and the Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL) have agreed a three-year transformative agreement (TA) for unlimited open access publishing and access to IOPP's journals.

The agreement, which starts on 1 January 2023, is IOPP's first TA in the Asia Pacific region, and CAUL's first open access agreement with the largest physics publisher. It is expected to dramatically increase access to physical science research produced by Australian physics researchers.

The agreement allows unrestricted access to all of IOPP's journals and partner journals as well as uncapped open access publishing across 76 eligible Gold and hybrid journals. Authors will be able to publish their research openly at no cost to them.

Bob Gerrity, Chair of the CAUL Content Procurement Committee and University Librarian at Monash University, said, "This read and publish agreement with IOPP provides Australian physics researchers with another option to make their work accessible to the world. Unlimited transformative agreements such as these enable wider dissemination and greater discoverability of knowledge."

"With funding agencies encouraging or even requiring research to be published on an open access basis, transformative agreements have become key in delivering on these objectives. For us it's about enabling this transformation in the most sustainable way possible whilst nurturing authors' experience publishing with us", says Julian Wilson, Sales and Marketing Director at IOPP.

As part of IOPP's commitment to open science, the society publisher is implementing a [programme of activities](#) to encourage and support greater access, transparency and inclusivity to increase the impact of scientific research.

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About Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL)

The [Council of Australian University Librarians](#) (CAUL) is the peak leadership organisation for university libraries in Australia and New Zealand. CAUL members are the University Librarians or equivalent of the 39 institutions that have representation on [Universities Australia](#) (UA) and the 8 University Librarians or equivalent of the institutions that have representation on [Universities New Zealand](#) (UNZ) and who form the [Council of New Zealand University Librarians](#) (CONZUL), a committee of UNZ. CAUL makes a significant contribution to higher education strategy, policy and outcomes through a commitment to a shared purpose: To transform how people experience knowledge – how it can be discovered, used and shared. CAUL's vision is that society is transformed through the power of research, teaching and learning. University libraries are essential knowledge and information infrastructures that enable student achievement and research excellence.

About IOP Publishing

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