
Director's Decree V2023-04

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Funding rules for open access publishing

IOCB wants to enable its employees to participate in open access publishing. In order to establish the rules of institutional support for this activity, I am issuing the following Director's Decree.

I.

Covering APCs in transformation contracts

- 1) IOCB will cover the costs of open access publishing (article processing charges – APC) from the institutional sources (via the IOCB Library) for publications whose main corresponding author¹ is an IOCB employee and which will be published in journals included in the transformation contracts concluded on behalf of IOCB by the CzechElib association (listed on intraweb in Science / [Library](#) section).
- 2) APC will be covered either by using the prepaid APC (token) included in the transformation contract or by direct payment in the event that the quota of prepaid APCs in the given period is reached.
- 3) In 2023, **hybrid journals** from publishers **ACS, Wiley, Springer** (only core journals, does not include Nature journals) and **all journals** from publisher **RSC** are included in the transformation contracts.
- 4) The IOCB Library will inform about the procedure for drawing prepaid APCs (tokens), the procedure for paying APCs after the tokens have been used up, and about the list of journals included in the transformation contracts for the following years, gradually as the information provided by the CzechElib association becomes available.

II.

Covering APC for other publications

- 1) IOCB will cover APC from the institutional sources upon request for publications that do not meet the Part I rules provided that all following conditions are met:
 - a) the main corresponding author¹ of the publication is an IOCB employee and the invoice for the APC is/will be addressed to IOCB,
 - b) the impact factor of the given journal is greater than 10 at the time of application,
 - c) APC cannot be paid from the funds of the relevant grant or project.

The request must contain active DOI of the publication; if no DOI is assigned or if the publication is not accessible through the DOI in time of request submission, the request must contain the title of the publication, the journal title, the name and e-mail of the main corresponding author¹ and a list of grants/projects to which the publication is attributed (acknowledgments, funding) instead. The application must also be accompanied by an invoice and information on whether

¹ Corresponding author who submits a publication and signs a license agreement with the publisher.

the APC fee has already been paid and how. Requests are to be sent to the IOCB Library at oamanager@uochb.cas.cz.

- 2) APC of other publications must be covered from the resources of the relevant grants, projects or groups; exceptions will be assessed individually by the director of the institute.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jan Konvalinka', is positioned above the printed name.

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Institute Director