

# A Novel Approach to Article Processing Charges in Norway: Results and Experiences from the Research Council's STIM-OA Call in 2015

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  - Self-archiving of RCN funded outputs
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Our aims:

- Stimulate publishing in OA journals
- Efficient funding of Article Processing Charges (APCs)
- Contribute to the transition to OA/APCs in the research system

## **New approach to APC's: Stimulation Scheme for Open Access (STIM-OA) 2014 - 2019**

- Covers up to 50 % of an institution's APCs (previous year)
- All research performing institutions may apply
- Publications in journals approved by the national registry for scientific publishing channels (UHR)
- Genuine Gold (DOAJ) - Hybrid OA costs are not covered

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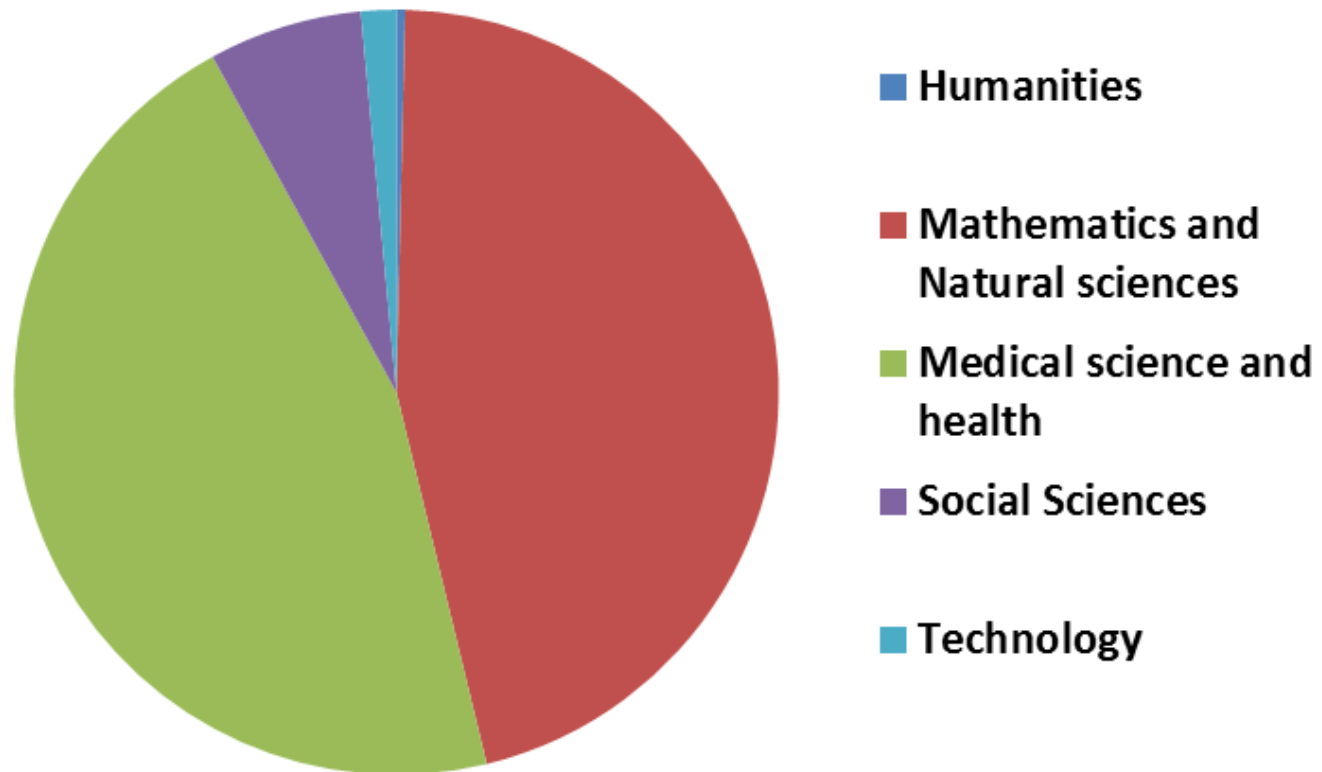
- 24 institutions applied
  - HE institutions – 74 % of applied amount
  - Research institutes – 16% of applied amount
  - Health institutions – 10 % of applied amount
- Applied amount: 3 mill. NOK
- Indicates spending of 6 mill. NOK (2014)
- Average APC: 11.000 NOK

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- 539 articles in 195 journals
- Most frequent journals: ***PLoS One***, *Abstract and Applied Analysis*, *Mathematical Problems in Engineering*, *BMC Public Health*, *BMJ Open*, *BMC Health Services Research*, *BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth*, *BMC Research notes*
- Level 2 journals
  - 29 articles in 11 journals (6%)

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Scientific domains:





## STIM-OA 2014 - 2019

- RCN expects growth
  - Funds will be increased
  - New funds will be established
  - General growth in OA publishing
  
- STIM-OA will help us monitor the costs of OA nationally

# Thank you for listening!

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