



RSC Advances

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## The move to open access

The open access (OA) landscape is evolving, with more and more authors publishing OA. The range of OA publishing options needs to grow, both to accommodate this rise and to give authors more choice over where to publish their research.



Dedicated to quality



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Fast publication times

Since launch, *RSC Advances* has achieved rapid growth and worldwide acceptance. We converted to an open access journal to:

- give researchers free access to a broad scope of quality work
- make the research we publish more visible
- positively influence the future of OA publishing
- demonstrate that OA publishing can be both affordable, and sustainable

We have one of the lowest APCs in the industry (£750). For 2017/18 this is reduced to £500, and there are further discounts and waiver options also available.

We offer industry standard Creative Commons licensing, CC-BY or CC-BY-NC, at no additional cost. These licenses have more flexible terms for re-use and distribution than our standard license to publish, enabling our authors to fulfil funding body requirements.



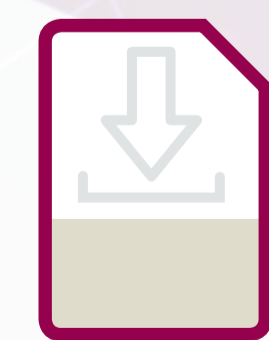
## Maintaining quality

Acceptance rate



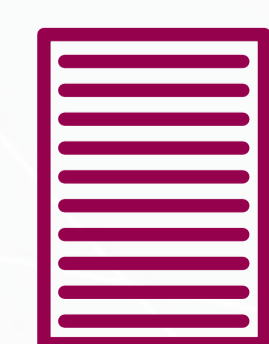
Year	2015	2016	2017
Acceptance rate	44.9%	43.2%	44.5%

Usage



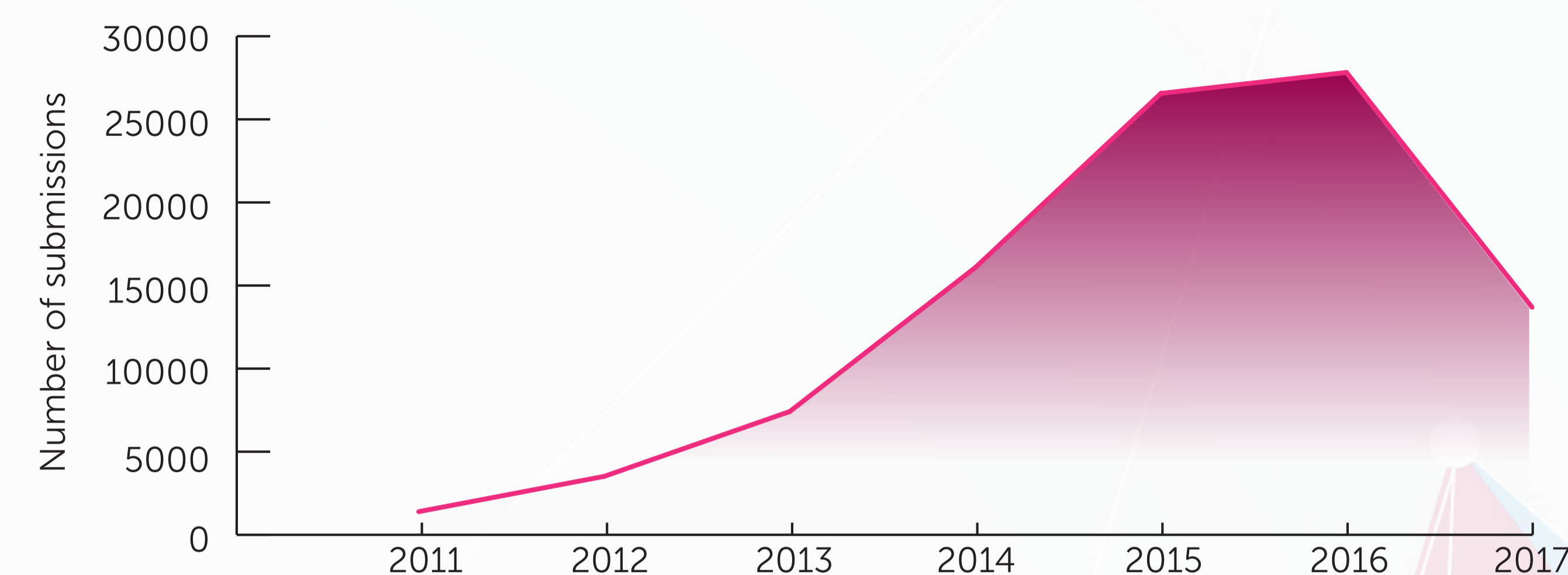
Year	2015	2016	2017
Usage	4,294,680 article downloads	4,274,612 article downloads	4,156,471 article downloads

Publications



Year	2015	2016	2017
Publications	12,999	13,422	6,676

## Supporting our global community



Submissions from **90+ countries** 2016 and 2017



## Rising to the challenge

A move to open access brings huge change. But the variety and international scope of submissions, stable rejection and acceptance rates, and level of usage shows that *RSC Advances* is still the high quality, impactful journal it always set out to be. And it remains the world's largest chemistry journal.

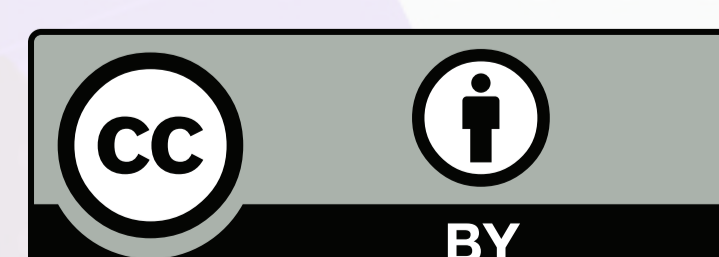
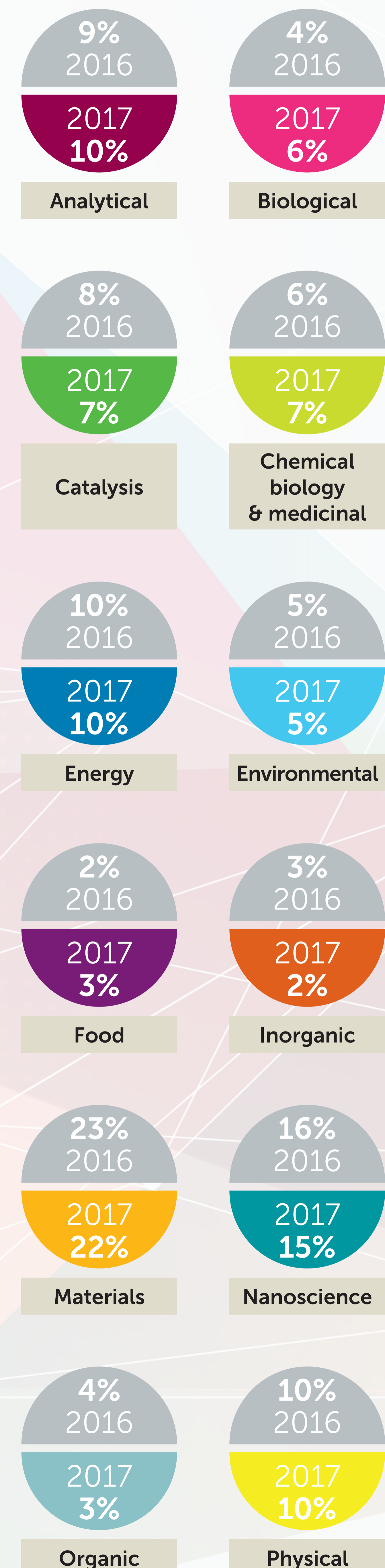
“ Our ethos has always been the provision and dissemination of high quality research, from emerging and established researchers, for the global chemical sciences community. ”

As an open access journal, this high quality research will get the international visibility it deserves and will be accessible to all those who need it. Our unique review process, our search for novelty, publishing research that presents a significant advance in its field – these are all things that are here to stay. “

Andrew Shore  
Executive Editor, *RSC Advances*

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## Subject coverage in 2016/2017 articles



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