

Institutional Open Access publishing in Norway

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Background

Institutional platforms for OA publishing at various institutions since early 2000s

A report commissioned by Universities Norway looked at *status and prospects* for institutional journal publishing

FULL REPORT: <https://hdl.handle.net/10037/22877>

Working group



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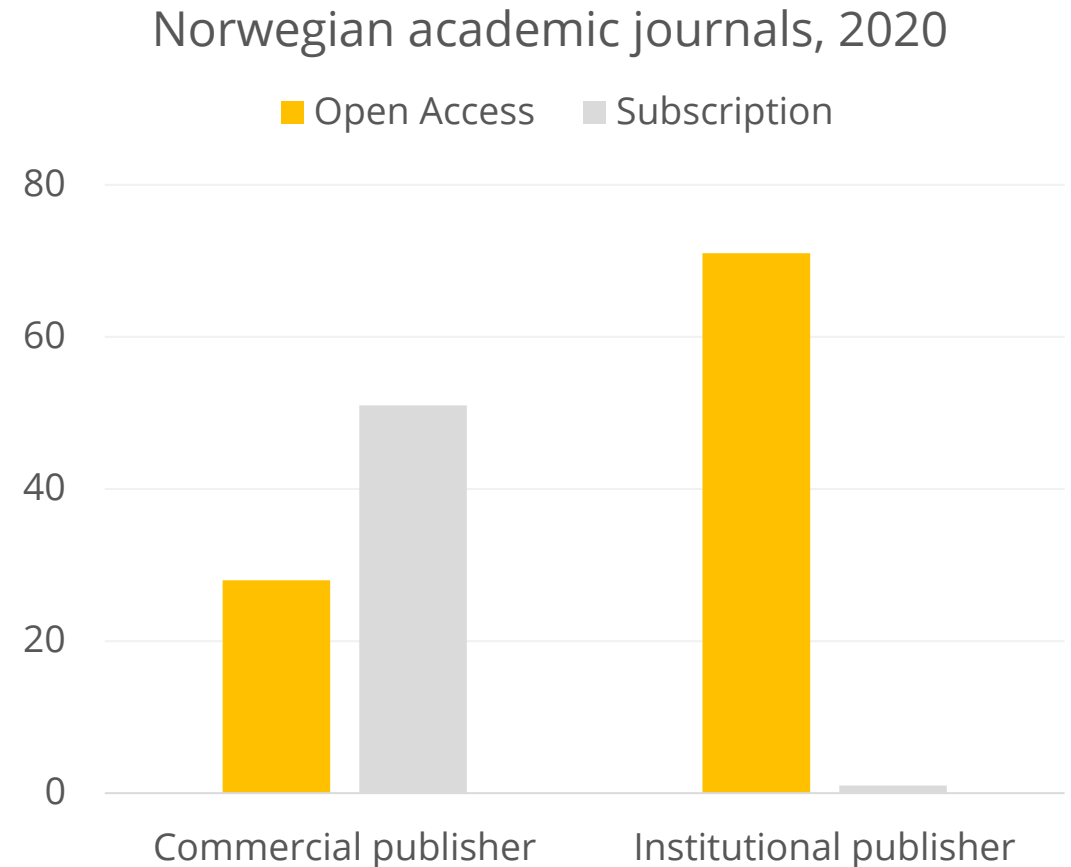


The Norwegian publishing landscape

Split between *commercial* and *institutional* publishers

Public money supports Diamond OA for 25 journals at 3 commercial publishers

8 institutional publishers host 2-15 OA journals each; nearly all are Diamond OA



The Norwegian publishing landscape **EXAMPLES**



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Diamond OA thanks to a special fund for important *Norwegian-language* journals within Humanities & Social Sciences

Universitetsforlaget

Cappelen Damm

Novus Forlag

*traditional publishing houses
as service providers*

MF Tidsskrifter

University of Agder

UiS Open Journals (Stavanger)

NTNU Open Access Journals

Bergen Open Access Publ. (UiB)

Septentrio Acad. Publishing (UiT)

OsloMet

FRITT (Univ. of Oslo)

institutional publishing service providers

Diamond OA thanks to the institutions themselves

institutional publishing service providers

Currently, 71 peer-reviewed OA journals

Nearly exclusively Diamond OA (APC hardly used)

Nearly exclusively funded by the institutions themselves

Linguistic and disciplinary diversity

FULL DATASET : <https://doi.org/10.18710/NSV8IP>

Current challenges in institutional publishing

Small support organisations

- Part-time

- Irregular software and infrastructure maintenance

Quality control

- Content production locally based

Lack of compliance

- Accessibility

- Funder mandates

Possible scenarios

Scenario	Pros	Cons
Business as usual	Known costs	Known problems
External services coordinator	Flexible High service quality	Cost control Delineation against commercial publishing
Common Nordic platform	Strength in numbers	Coordination Costly initial consolidation
National platform	Economies of scale Standardisation of services	Reorganisation of institutional publishing support

Recommendation: a national institutional publishing service

A necessity to guarantee quality of service and funder and regulatory compliance

Possibly increases the scope of institutional publishing in Norway

Consistent, coordinated support

Will require centralised hosting and the redirection of institutional resources