

**University of Cambridge**  
**Open Access Policy Framework**

- i. The University of Cambridge is committed to disseminating its research and scholarship as widely as possible. In keeping with that commitment, it supports the principle that ‘the results of research that have been publicly funded should be freely accessible in the public domain’ and therefore it supports its staff in making their research available through Open Access (OA).
- ii. The University affirms that academics should not be deterred from publishing in the journal of their choice.
- iii. The University recommends Green OA (self-archiving) as the most cost-effective, sustainable way to achieve greater public access to research outputs and supports Green OA through the development of its institutional repository, or through subject based repositories and other open websites.
- iv. The University will support Gold OA, whereby the author is usually required to pay an Article Processing Charge to publish in an OA journal, only where funding is made available for this purpose by the research funder.
- v. The University supports the use of the widest form of licensing so that the article may be read and re-used. CC-BY is currently required by the published RCUK policy; this allows articles to be read and re-used for both non-commercial and commercial purposes.
- vi. Funder mandates are evolving and this framework may need regular review.

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