

# The Future of Open Access

What's the Plan (S)?

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## Topics

1. What is Plan S?
2. How can it help the future of Open Access?
3. Concerns around Plan S
4. Practical Plan S

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# What is Plan S?

# Aim of Plan S

“By 2020 scientific publications that result from research funded by public grants provided by participating national and European research councils and funding bodies, must be published in compliant Open Access Journals or on compliant Open Access Platforms”

# Principles of Plan S

Authors retain copyright in their publications with no restrictions

Research funders will establish criteria for compliant Open Access journals or platforms

Funders will offer incentives for the creation of compliant platforms

Open Access fees should be covered by funders or universities rather than researchers

Open Access publication fees should be standardised and capped

Universities, research organisations and libraries should work to align their Open Access policies

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## How can Plan S help the future of Open Access?

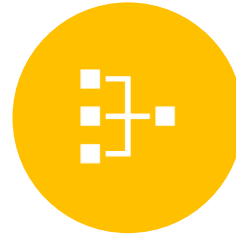
# What problems could Plan S solve?



ADVANCING  
RESEARCH



WORKING  
TOGETHER



CHANGING THE  
SYSTEM



OPEN AND  
RESPONSIBLE  
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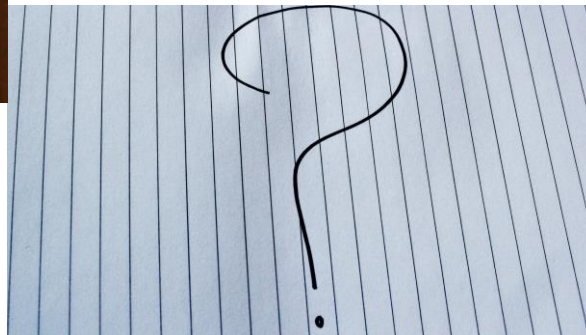
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## **Concerns around Plan S**

# Lack of academic freedom



Will the Plan take away researchers academic freedom?



# Impact on collaboration



Could Plan S negatively impact opportunities for collaboration between researchers?



# Predatory publisher problems



Could predatory publishers take advantage of the confusion to claim more cash?



# Concerns around copyright



Is a CC-BY licence giving away too much for some researchers?



# Impact on the global south



Does it create a world where some researchers can read more research but publish less?



# 4 Practical Plan S

# Implementation options

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Outputs should be published via completely Open Access journals or platforms under a CC-BY licence	The VoR or AAM should be made available in a compliant repository with no embargo under a CC-BY licence	Outputs can <b>temporarily</b> published in hybrid journals with transformative agreements

Remember that Plan S is a set of principles NOT a policy





**So what next for Plan S?**



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