# Open access publishing and workflows

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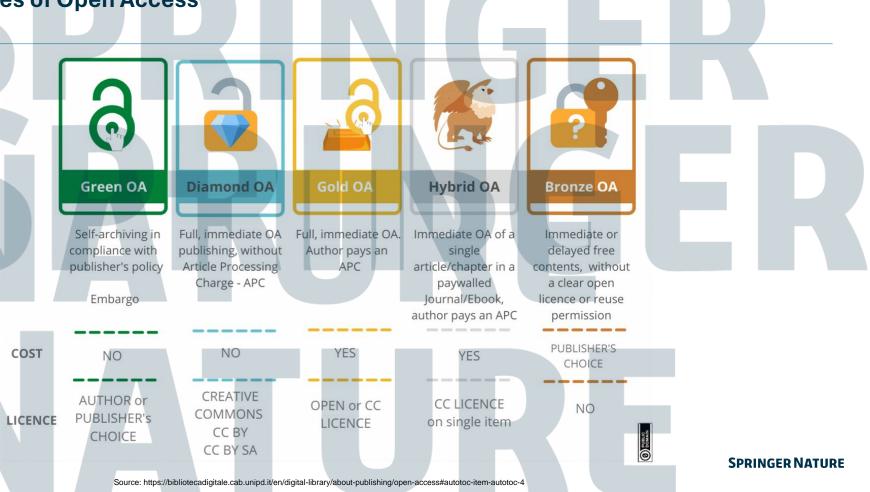
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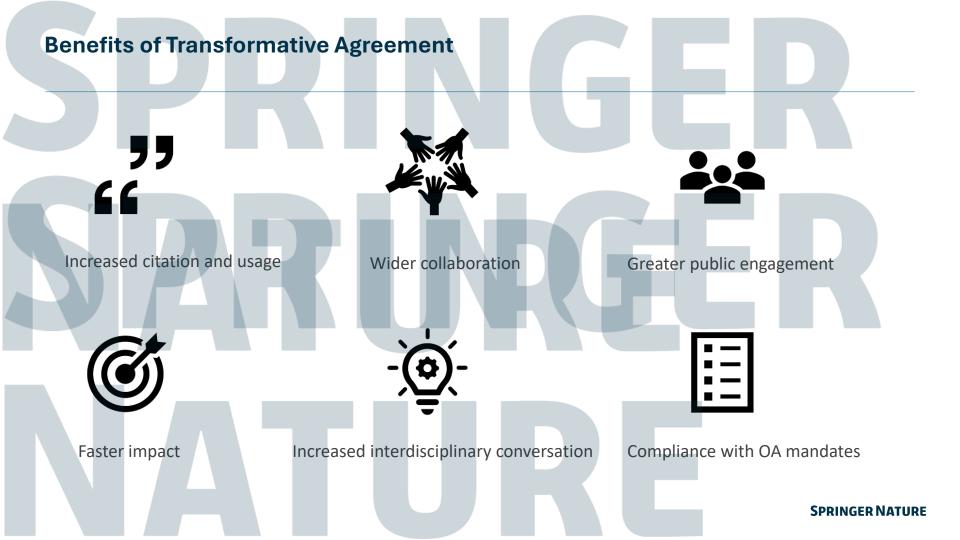
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## What is open access (OA)

Open access (OA) refers to the free, immediate, online availability of research output such as journal articles or books, combined with the rights to use these outputs fully in the digital environment.

## Types of Open Access





## **Springer Nature Transformative Agreement (TA)**

Springer Transformative agreement is a hybrid open access model that allows authors to publish open access in subscriptionbased journals. If your institution has a Springer Compact agreement, you can publish your article open access in Hybrid (Open Choice) journals at no cost to you.

It comprises of a publishing element and a reading element, granting authors extensive access to published content.

Best in class workflow to facilitate such agreements. Your affiliation with the agreement will be picked up at article acceptance and eligibility checked by your institution.



### Article types Eligible Articles

#### Original Paper

1

Standard article, generally presenting new results which may also be referred to as Original Research, Original Article, Original Paper or Research Paper.

#### **Review Paper**

2

Standard article, interpreting previously published results.

#### Brief Communication

Short article submitted for rapid publication that exhibits the same structure as a standard article. **Continuing Education** 

4

Article forming integral part of further education (usually medical).

"Eligible Articles" means articles by Eligible Authors which are editorially accepted for publication in a Springer Hybrid Journal.

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## All the information about the TA Where to go

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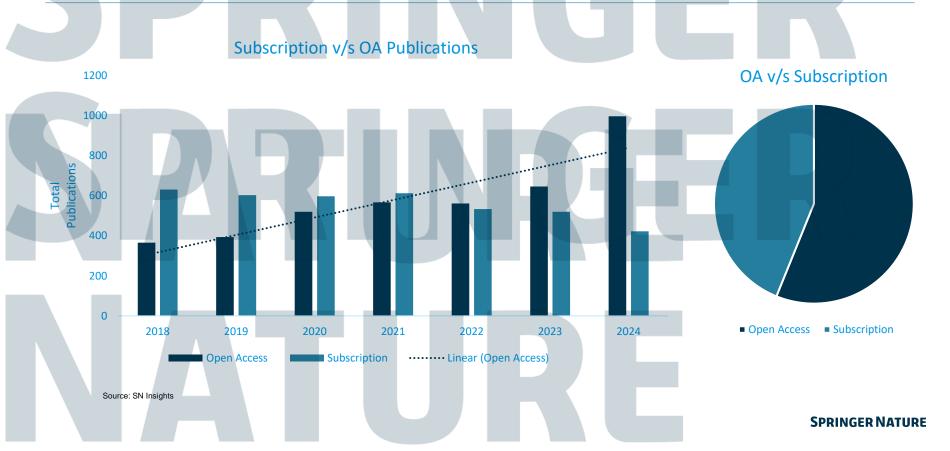
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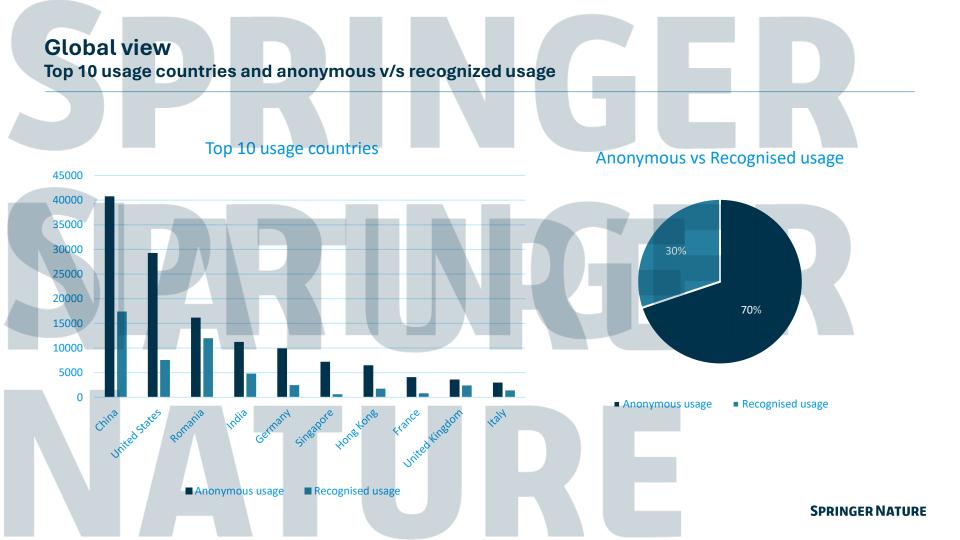
### Publications Top 10 Subjects v/s Citations Top 10 Subjects By Springer Nature

#### **Top 10 Subjects**

- 1 Mathematics and Statistics
- 2 Medicine
- 3 Chemistry and Materials Science
- 4 Biomedical and Life Sciences
- 5 Physics and Astronomy
- 6 Earth and Environmental Science
- 7 Education
- 8 Computer Science
- 9 Behavioral Science and Psychology
- 10 Economics and Finance

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**Citation Subjects** 



# **3** TA related workflows

## What you need to know - When are you ready to avail benefit of this TA

If you can say YES to these statements, you are ready for publication under the TA

You must identify yourself during the author identification The institution process. selected during this process should be your "I am **affiliated** with primary affiliation, as this institution will be asked to verify eligibility and will be billed if an eligible "My article has been the article is approved. institution" accepted by an eligible hybrid journal" "My article matches one of "I am the corresponding these types: Original Paper, author\*" **Review Paper, Brief** Communication, Continuing Education \*Acting as main contact for Springer Nature correspondence. **SPRINGER NATURE** 

### **OA Publishing Process**

Focus on Identification and Verification

Submission

Manuscript is submitted Submitting author provides e.g. FundRef and ORCID information, article category is assigned Peer review is conducted in the following. Editorial Acceptance

After editorial acceptance, the corresponding author is able to identify him/herself as affiliated to a member institution Identification

OA agreement specific eligibility check: in-scope journals, article types

Corresponding author identifies him/herself as connected to a member institution Identified article is sent to the member institution's article approval service accounts for final verification of eligibility

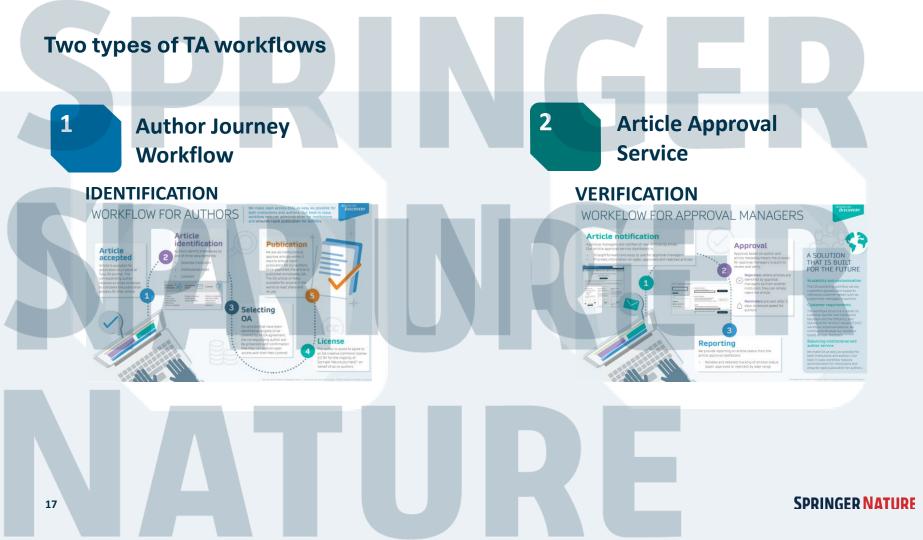
Verification

Publication

Eligible article is published immediately open access OA Funding note added in article acknowledgments (if applicable)

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There is a workflow for each of these steps



## **1. Author Journey** Once you are editorially accepted for publication

Once the article is editorially accepted, the corresponding author receives an invitation to complete the publishing agreement

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Dear Dr. Charles Darwin

Congratulations on the acceptance of your article: The zoology of the voyage of H.M.S. Beagle.

Before we can proceed with the publication of your article in Journal of Research, we first need you to complete the appropriate publishing agreement. https://foo.bar

With kind regards,

Springer Nature Author Service

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Author Service team at ASJournals@springernature.com

## Author and Article identification

After article acceptance, the corresponding author receives an invitation to complete the publication process for the article and the authors can identify themselves:

**Corresponding author/article identification parameters:** 

- 1. Selected institution
- 2. E-Mail domain recognition
- 3. IP recognition



The hierarchy of identification parameters is in the above order: 1, 2, 3.

## Affiliation is confirmed

If the author is confirmed as being affiliated with an eligible institution and will be covered under the OA agreement, they will receive confirmation of this

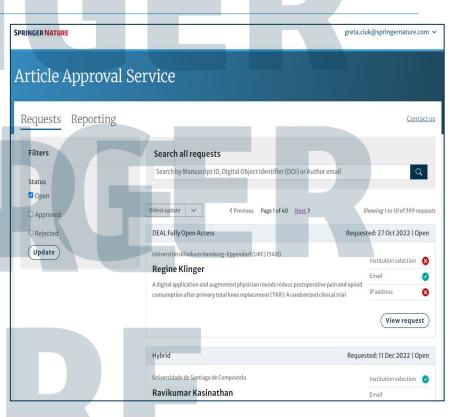
An email confirming this is also sent to the author

If the institution cannot confirm the author's affiliation, the author is informed that the agreement will not cover the open access publishing costs. The author can pay the open access fee or, unless it is a fully open access journal, decide to publish subscription instead.



# 2. Article Approval Service (AAS) – Overview

- After the author completes the process, the article is sent to the Article Approval Service (AAS) for verification by the approval manager.
  - Allows approval managers from institutions to have access to all articles pending verification.
- Approval Managers can approve or reject articles and view details of each manuscript.
- Reliable and user-friendly service tool for institutions to verify articles for publication in Springer Nature hybrid journals.
- Articles that are published in journals that do not run on the standard workflow are manually inserted to the AAS for verification.



## Reporting

On the Reporting tab, users can access reports of the articles on their AAS

The reports include data such as author details, article details and relevant dates, e.g. approval date



## **THANK YOU**

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