
Publication Fees Discounts

Discounts and tokens for open access publishing are part of the so-called Read & Publish agreements, which are concluded within the national consortium CzechELib. Corresponding authors of the UK can use these discounts or tokens for open access publishing with selected publishers. In case of questions, do not hesitate to contact us at openaccess@cuni.cz

The number of remaining tokens is available on our website (updated as of 4. 3. 2025):

- **Lippincott Williams & Wilkins** - 0
- **Springer** – available
- **Taylor & Francis** - available
- **Wiley** – available

The exact number of tokens for year 2025 will be published in the second half of February.

Rules for the allocation of the CzechELib tokens for Open Access publishing for Charles University authors by the decision of the rector's board, valid from 15. 7. 2024:

- 1. The discount or token for open access publishing can only be used by authors of the CU who are **corresponding authors** of the given articles (for proper recognition by the system, we recommend using an **institutional e-mail address** for communication with the journal) and who have listed the CU as **their primary affiliation**.
- 2. **One token** covers the open access publication fee (Article Processing Charge, APC) for **one article**.
- 3. It is possible to apply for a token only **after the article has been accepted** by the publisher, **tokens cannot be reserved in advance**.
- 4. For publishers where the number of tokens per year is limited (**Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Springer, Taylor & Francis***) **all the following conditions must be met in addition****:
 - the article will be published only in journals that are in the **Q1 or Q2** quartiles according to the **Article Influence Score (AIS)**, which can be found in the Web of Science database; if the journal is not included in the Web of Science database (specifically indexes: Social Sciences Citation Index, Arts & Humanities Citation Index, Science Citation Index Expanded, Emerging Sources Citation Index), but is included in the Scopus database, the current value of its **Source Normalized Impact per Paper (SNIP)** metric which can be found in the SCOPUS database or on the CWTS Journal Indicators website, must rank in quartiles **Q1 or Q2** according to SNIP, i.e. **be \geq 0.712**,
 - The order of journals ranking check: the AIS quartiles in WoS with all included indexes, if not found, then SCOPUS and the value of SNIP.
 - The approval or rejection of tokens is bound to the current value of metrics at the time of the token allocation request. It is impossible to make retrospective changes driven by the update (change) of the metrics' value in the following period.
- 5. Once all tokens have been used up at a given year, it will no longer be possible to use any (not even when meeting the above conditions).
- 6. Articles with secured funding for the APC fee from other sources (e.g. from a grant or other resources of the workplace) do not use tokens. Tokens are primarily intended for authors who do not have such funding secured. If you have resources available to cover the APC fee, please inform the Center for Open Science Support after your article has been accepted for publication, and the Center will not assign you a token. Instead, you will cover the APC fee from other sources.

*) In the case of the publisher Wiley, the rules concerning publishing in journals in the quartiles mentioned above do not apply since 15. 7. 2024. Publishing with this publisher follows the rules of the non-restricted publisher (see item 1-3).

**) This is the decision of the Rector's Board from 18/12/2023, which was made based on the evaluation of the open access tokens allocation workflow during the year 2023, when the tokens were used up before the end of the year. And the decision of the Rector's Board from 15/7/2024 which evaluated the token allocation process token in the first half of 2024.



American Chemical Society (ACS)

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to take advantage of the **complete waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in **hybrid** journals.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

American Institute of Physics (AIP)

- **Corresponding authors of MFF UK** have the opportunity to take advantage of the **complete waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in the following hybrid journals:
 - American Journal of Physics
 - Applied Physics Letters
 - Biointerphases
 - Chaos
 - Journal of Applied Physics
 - Journal of Mathematical Physics

- Journal of Physical and Chemical Reference Data
- Journal of Rheology
- Journal of Vacuum Science and Technology A
- Journal of Vacuum Science and Technology B
- Physics of Fluids
- Physics of Plasmas
- Review of Scientific Instruments
- Surface Science Spectra
- The Journal of Chemical Physics
- The Physics Teacher
- In 2023, Charles University can use a total of **18 tokens** to waive the payment of the publication fee.
- This opportunity can **only** be used for the **following types of publications**: Brief Communication, Communication, Conference Article, Fast Track or Article-FT, Letter, Note, Perspective, Article, Research Update, Review, Roadmap, Tutorial.
- To use this opportunity, the corresponding author must choose Charles University as **affiliation and choose the option "Open Access as part of an Institutional agreement"** in the *Publication Charges and Funding* step during submission.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to take advantage of the **complete waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in **all journals**.
- This option can **only** be used in **selected types of publications**: research articles, review articles, conference papers or proceedings papers and other types of articles for which ACM would also require payment of the APC fee in the case of an uncompleted transformation agreement.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

Cambridge University Press (CUP)

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to take advantage of the **complete waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in **all journals**.
- This option can be used **only** for **following types of publications**: research article, review, brief report, case report and rapid communications article.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

IOPscience

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to use the **full waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in **all journals with a few exceptions** ([list of excluded journals](#)).
- This option can be used **only** for **selected types of publications**: paper, special issue paper, review and/or letter.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

Karger Publishers

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to use the **full waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in **all journals**.
- This option can **only** be used for **selected types of publications**: Original Paper, Review, Brief Communication, Correction.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

Lippincott Williams & Wilkins (LWW)

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University (**2.LF, 3.LF, LFHK, LFP**) have the opportunity to use the **full waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in Lippincott Williams & Wilkins/Wolters Kluwer Health **hybrid journals**.
- Tokens can **only** be used for **selected types of publications**: research papers, review.
- Charles University has been allocated a total of 5 of these tokens for its authors for the period 2023-2025 (**as of 1 January 2024, 3 tokens remain**). **In order to use the tokens, it is necessary to fulfill the additional conditions listed [above](#)**
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

Oxford University Press (OUP)

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to use the **full waiver** of the Open Access publication fee (APC) in **all journals with the following exceptions** (the following journals are not eligible):
 - Astronomy & Geophysics
 - Children & Schools
 - Critical Values
 - European Heart Journal Supplements
 - Health and Social Work

- Holocaust And Genocide Studies
- Interactive Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery
- Itnow
- JNCI Monographs
- Journal of American History
- Journal of Computational Design and Engineering
- Journal Of The ICRU
- Music Theory Spectrum
- OAH Magazine of History
- Progress of Theoretical and Experimental Physics
- Reports of Patent, Design and Trade Mark Cases
- Shakespeare Quarterly
- Social Work
- Social Work Research
- The American Historical Review
- The Library
- The Year's Work in Critical and Cultural Theory
- The Year's Work in English Studies
- Translational Animal Science
- Western Historical Quarterly
- This option can be used **only** for **following types of publications**: research article, review article, brief report, case report.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to benefit from a full waiver of the APC publication fee in **hybrid** and **fully open** journals published by the Royal Society of Chemistry.
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

SAGE

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University can benefit from a discount on the APC fee (the **discounted fee will be ?200**) in **hybrid journals** of the HSS Package collection and a **20% discount** on APCs in **fully OA journals** in the HSS Package collection (you can check which journals are part of the collection HSS Package [here](#)). **The remaining amount of the APC must be paid from other sources.**
- These discounts can be used **only** for **following types of publications**: Original Research Papers, Review Papers, Brief Communications, Short Reports, Case Reports
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

SCOAP

- SCOAP3 is an international consortium of libraries and research centers in the field of particle physics operating under the auspices of the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN). Thanks to the involvement of Charles University, **CU authors can publish articles in the field of particle physics in [selected scientific peer-reviewed journals](#) free of charge.**
- All SCOAP3-funded articles are made available on the publishers' platforms and in the [SCOAP3 repository](#) after publication.

Springer Nature

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to use tokens for publishing in open access in **all hybrid journals**.
- Charles University will have allocated a total of about **99** of these tokens for its authors for the **year 2024**. In order to use the tokens, **it is necessary to fulfill the additional conditions listed [above](#) .**
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#).

Taylor & Francis

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to use tokens for publishing in open access in **all hybrid journals**.
- Charles University will have allocated a total of about **39** of these tokens for its authors for the **year 2024**. In order to use the tokens, **it is necessary to fulfill the additional conditions listed [above](#) .**
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#).

Wiley

- **Corresponding authors** of Charles University have the opportunity to take advantage of the **full waiver** of the APC publication fee in all **hybrid journals**.

- Charles University will have allocated a total of about **113** of these tokens for its authors for the **year 2024**. **In order to use the tokens, it is necessary to fulfill the additional conditions listed [above](#)** .
- More information can be found on the [CzechELib website](#) .

MDPI: As of November 30, 2022, Charles University ended its membership in the Institutional Open Access Program (IOAP), so CU authors are no longer entitled to the discount that this membership brought.