

Do all Open Access journals charge Article Processing Charges (APC)?

No.

Many OA journals do not charge publication fees (APCs). Indeed, 74% of journals listed in the Directory of Open Access Journals, [DOAJ](#), do not charge APCs.

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