

Overview and comment on the crop of broad online only OA journals launched 2010 -2012

Journal	Publisher	First year of publication	OA/author fees (\$)	Impact Factor (2010)	# articles published Yr1	# articles published in a period	Comment
AIP Advances	AIP	Mar-11	\$1,350	n/a	81 regular articles in 2011	n/a	
Biology Open	Company of Biologists	Launched Autumn 2011	\$1,350	n/a	8 research articles in Issue 1 (Jan 2012)	n/a	
Biomedical Optics Express	OSA	August 2010 onward	Author fees waived in Yr1	n/a	299 articles in 2011	136 research articles in first 5 issues (2010)	
BMJ Open	BMA	2011	\$1,500	n/a	196 articles in first 12 months	n/a	
Cell Reports	Cell Press: Elsevier	2012	\$5,000	n/a	Seeking short articles "one or two key findings.. organism to atom"	7 research articles Vol 1 Issue 1: Jan 2012	New listing Feb 2012
APSIPA Transactions on Signal and Information Processing	CUP & APSIPA	2012	Introductory offer of \$600	n/a	n/a	n/a	New listing Feb 2012
Ecosphere	ESA	2010	Members \$1,250; non-members \$1,500	n/a	21 articles in 2010	136 articles in 2011	
eLife	HHMI, WellcomeTrust, & Max Planck Soc.	2012	Free until 'established'	n/a	Seeking submissions across "wide range of life sciences"	n/a	New listing Feb 2012
FEBS Open Bio	Elsevier & FEBS	2012	€ 1,200	n/a	Seeking submissions in "molecular and cellular life sciences in both health and disease"	n/a	New listing Feb 2012
Journal of the American Heart Association: Cardiovascular and Cerebrovascular Disease	AHA & Wiley Blackwell	Call for Papers November 2011	Members \$1,500; non-members \$2,000	n/a	Seeking submissions in basic and clinical research	n/a	New listing Feb 2012

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m-Bio	ASM	Apr-10	Research articles: \$2,000 ASM Members: \$3,000 non-Members	n/a	50 research articles first 5 issues 2010	108 research articles in 2011	
Mediators of Inflammation	Hindawi	1992	\$1,500	2.059	65	52 articles in 2011	
New Journal of Physics	IOP & DFG	1999	\$1,100	3.849	23	812 articles in 2010	
Open Biology	Royal Society	Call for papers in July 2011	\$2040/£1200/€1560	n/a	9 articles published in 2011	n/a	
Optics Express	OSA	1997	\$1018 for up to 6pp; \$1743/ 7-15pp;\$145/page 15+ pp	3.749	58 articles in 6 mo	58 articles in 6mo	
Physical Review X (PRX)	APS	Sep-11	\$1,500 up to 20,000 words;\$30/1,000 words thereafter	n/a	39 articles in 2011	47 articles in 3 issues	New listing Feb 2012
PLoS One	PLoS	Dec 2006->Dec 2007	\$1,350	4.411	961	15,619 articles in 2011	
Sage Open	Sage	2011	\$195 introductory fee (regular price \$695)	n/a	37 social science articles published to December 2011	n/a	
SpringerPlus	Springer: part of Springer Open	2012	£710/\$1115/€850	n/a	All disciplines of Science..especially data reports and large datasets.	n/a	New listing Feb 2012
Taylor & Francis Open	T&F/Informa	2012	"Affordable article publication fees"	n/a	All of science & social science	n/a	New listing Feb 2012
Wiley Open Access	Wiley Blackwell	Launching throughout 2011& 2012	\$1,850 to \$3,000 varies by subject	n/a	Subjects launched in 2011 are:- Brain & Behavior;Ecology & evolution: Microbiology;Oncology; Gastroenterology	n/a	

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<p>Notice how the author fees are mostly well below the 'starting price' for commercial hybrid OA journals which are typically \$2,500-\$3,000. Notice also the difference in uptake of the more mature and the new-in-2010 journals, very much governed by factors such as brand strength, specifics of the discipline and current competition. I will update this summary regularly in 2012 to track further changes.</p>							