

## **Support of payment of publication fees in 2024 (and onwards) from the Faculty of Science USB funds**

Staff and students of Faculty of Science (FSc), USB can apply for support of payment of publication fees to cover:

- a) Open access charge in a journal (applies to journals where this fee is mandatory (fully OA journal), support of OA publishing in hybrid journals is limited to one half of the basic percentage amount for fully OA journals).
- b) Page charge in journals in which the fee is mandatory.
- c) Copyright charges for the use of copyrighted material (picture etc.) (journals and books).
- d) Fees for color images (journals and books).
- e) Publication of a book, book chapter or teaching materials (lecture notes).
- f) Registration fees of patents or utility models.

Support in journals is restricted to top journals with impact factor (IF) at least equal to 75 % percentile of the corresponding science category<sup>1</sup> (i.e. WoS ranking Q1), see <https://www.prf.icu.cz/en/research/publications/impactfactor.html>

The management of FSc may exclude some journals from this support by its regulation.

The basic percentage amount of support is determined by the product of the authors' contribution and a coefficient 1.0 (for publications in the first decile D1, i.e. in a journal among the best 10 % in its category<sup>1</sup>), or 0.8 (journals in Q1 but not in D1).

The authors' contribution is given by the number of authors<sup>2</sup> (n) and their affiliations, i.e. each author with FSc affiliation counts as (1/n); if the author has more affiliations, the author's contribution is divided by the number of affiliations<sup>3</sup>. If the first or corresponding author is a permanent staff of the FSc or student, requests for a higher percentage of support for (up to 100 %) can be proposed. Particularly considered is the additional fee for other

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<sup>1</sup> At least in one of the Web of Science categories, where the journal is listed.

<sup>2</sup> If it is convenient for the applicant, the first and/or corresponding author can be counted as two authors (twice the contribution of the author, but at the same time increasing the number n by 1, resp. 2).

<sup>3</sup> Students of FSc are treated as 100% FSc regardless of the number of affiliations.

authors when the FSc authors' contribution is  $\geq 70\%$ , fee for authors from less scientifically and economically developed organizations.

It is possible to ask for advance approval of support of publication fees, support of publication fees of accepted publications, or reimbursement within FSc of fees already paid from other funds of FSc in 2024.

The management of FSc decides on requests exceeding 40 thousand CZK including VAT and requests for increased percentage of support. It also individually resolves all requests c) to f).

The total support in every year is limited by means approved by the Academic senate of FSc.

Applications are delivered to the research officer Jana Vancurova ([veda@prf.jcu.cz](mailto:veda@prf.jcu.cz)) on a form <https://www.prf.jcu.cz/images/PRF/veda-vyzkum/publikace/form-support-of-publication-fees-2024-01.docx>

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