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Policy on Open Access Publishing Funds for LUMCON Faculty and Staff

LUMCON strongly believes that money should never be a barrier to accessing the results of scientific investigations. Because of this, LUMCON seeks to encourage publishing in Open Access (OA) journals whenever possible. Henceforth, reimbursement funds are available to researchers, where circumstances are warranted, to help alleviate article processing charges when publishing in fee-based OA journals.

Eligible Authors

Any LUMCON faculty or staff member designated with P.I. status at LUMCON that is responsible for finding a suitable journal for submitting a paper is entitled to request reimbursement from the pool of OA funds.

Qualifying Publications

For the purposes of this policy, “Open Access” refers to peer-reviewed journals from non-commercial publishers or journals that allow free content for a cost (“hybrid”) via professional societies that are not ultimately published by a for-profit company, and/or have delayed open access to published content. Authors are expected to consult the Directory of Open Access Journals web site (<https://www.doaj.org>) to identify potential journals for article submittals. The LUMCON librarian should be consulted before submitting any application of reimbursement to ensure that journal has met the requirements of this policy.

Limitations

Because there are limitations of available funds, it is likely that the cost of publishing the papers will not be funded in their entirety. Any publishing cost in excess of \$2000 will automatically require the author to provide a 50% match of the publishing costs from their Cost Center. OA funds will be disseminated on a first-come, first-served basis until all funds are exhausted. Authors will not be reimbursed from OA funds until an eligible journal has accepted the final version of the article.

Archiving Published Research

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