

Open Access policy for the University of Agder

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1. All scientific journal articles where UiA is credited must be archived in the institutional archive [AURA](#) no later than at the time of publication.
 - 1.1. When a researcher considers two or more journals to be academically equivalent and one of them is a purely Open Access journal, the Open Access journal should be chosen. When publishing in pure Open Access journals, UiA's [Open Access fund](#) covers the publication processing fee (APC – article processing charge). Selection of the [CC BY license](#) is normally recommended for Open Access publishing.
 - 1.2. If a researcher considers two or more subscription-based journals to be academically equivalent, the journal that allows self-archiving immediately at the time of publication or with the shortest possible embargo must be chosen.
 - 1.3. When a researcher publishes an article in a subscription-based journal, an accepted peer-reviewed manuscript version¹ of the article must be uploaded in [Cristin](#) for archiving in AURA.
2. PhD candidates must make their dissertations openly available in AURA in accordance with section 18.2 of the [regulations](#) for the PhD degree at UiA.
3. Researchers, PhD candidates and master's students are encouraged to make their scientific publications and dissertations publicly available in AURA.
4. The University Library and the faculties' responsibilities:
 - 4.1. The University Library is responsible for the information and facilitation work to the academic communities and for checking the publisher's guidelines for self-archiving, including which version of the article can possibly be archived in AURA. The library manages both AURA and UiA's Open Access fund.
 - 4.2. The faculties are responsible for ensuring that their employees are familiar with and publish in accordance with the Open Access policy.

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