

# OPEN ACCESS PUBLICATION OPTIONS

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Including some at  
NO or LOW cost\$

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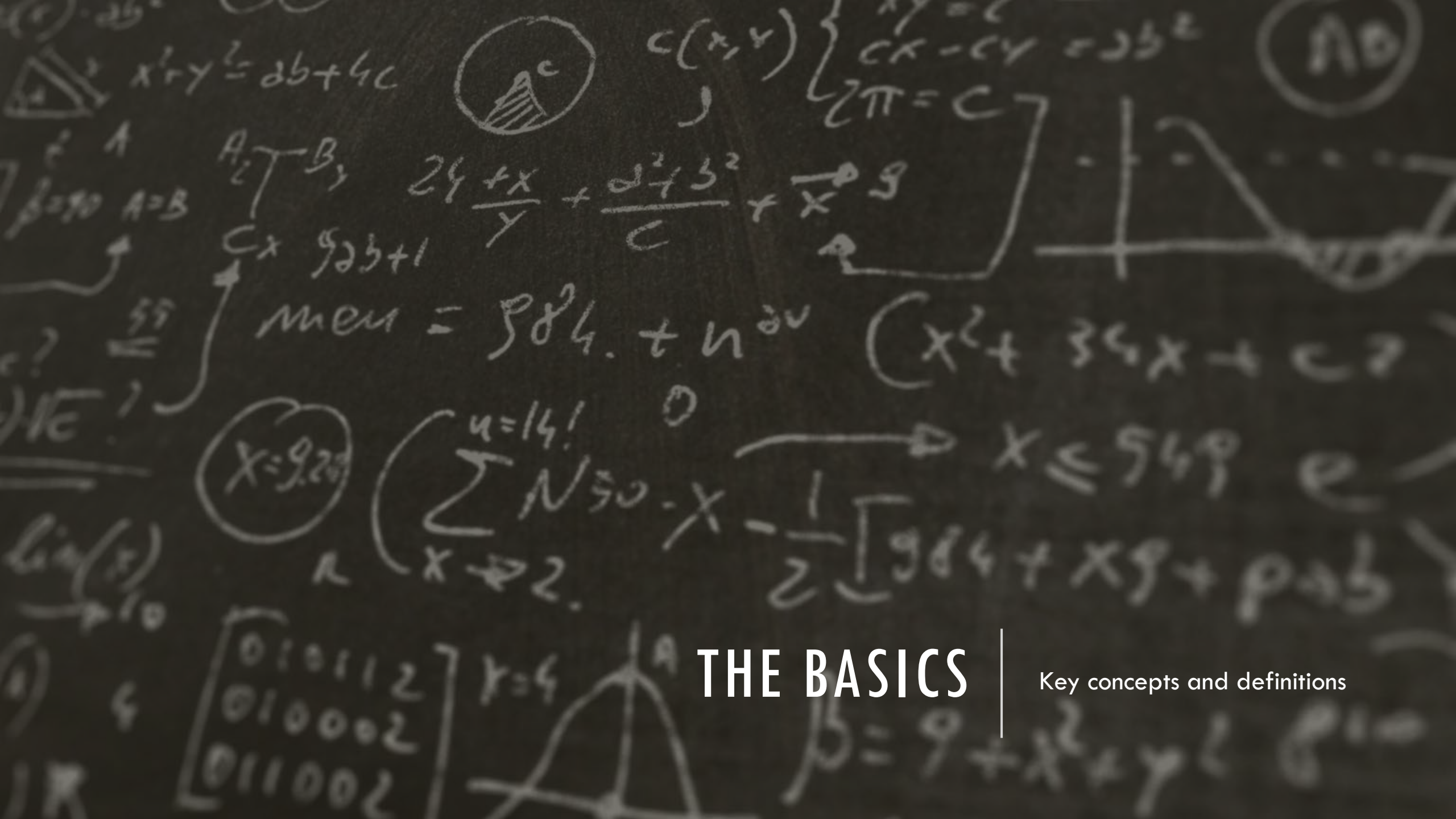
# IN THIS SESSION, WE WILL...

Check our definition of "open access"

Look at the terms of the Tri-Agency policy

Consider the ways to fulfill the policy's requirements

Things to consider when choosing a journal



$$x^2 + y^2 = ab + 4c$$



$$C(x, y)$$

$$\begin{cases} xy = c \\ cx - cy = 25^2 \\ 2\pi = C \end{cases}$$

(10)

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$$24 \frac{x}{y} + \frac{a^2 + b^2}{c} + \frac{1}{x} + 9$$

$$cx \ 9ab + 1$$

$$men = 984 + n^{20}$$

$$(x^2 + 34x + c)$$

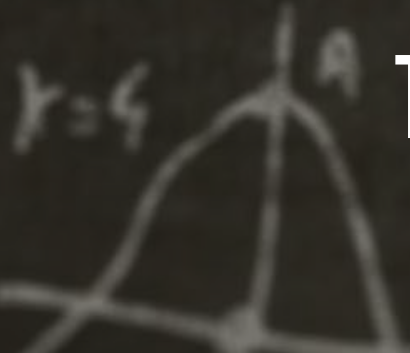
(x = 9.2)

$$\sum_{x=2}^{n=14} N^{30} - X$$

$$x \leq 549$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [984 + x + 9 + pab]$$

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# THE BASICS

Key concepts and definitions

# WHAT IS OPEN ACCESS (OA)?

A publication model that allows readers with internet access to have immediate access to published content at no cost.\*



\*including non-financial

# OTHER KEY TERMS...

APCs (Article/Author Processing Charges) - cost to authors for publication

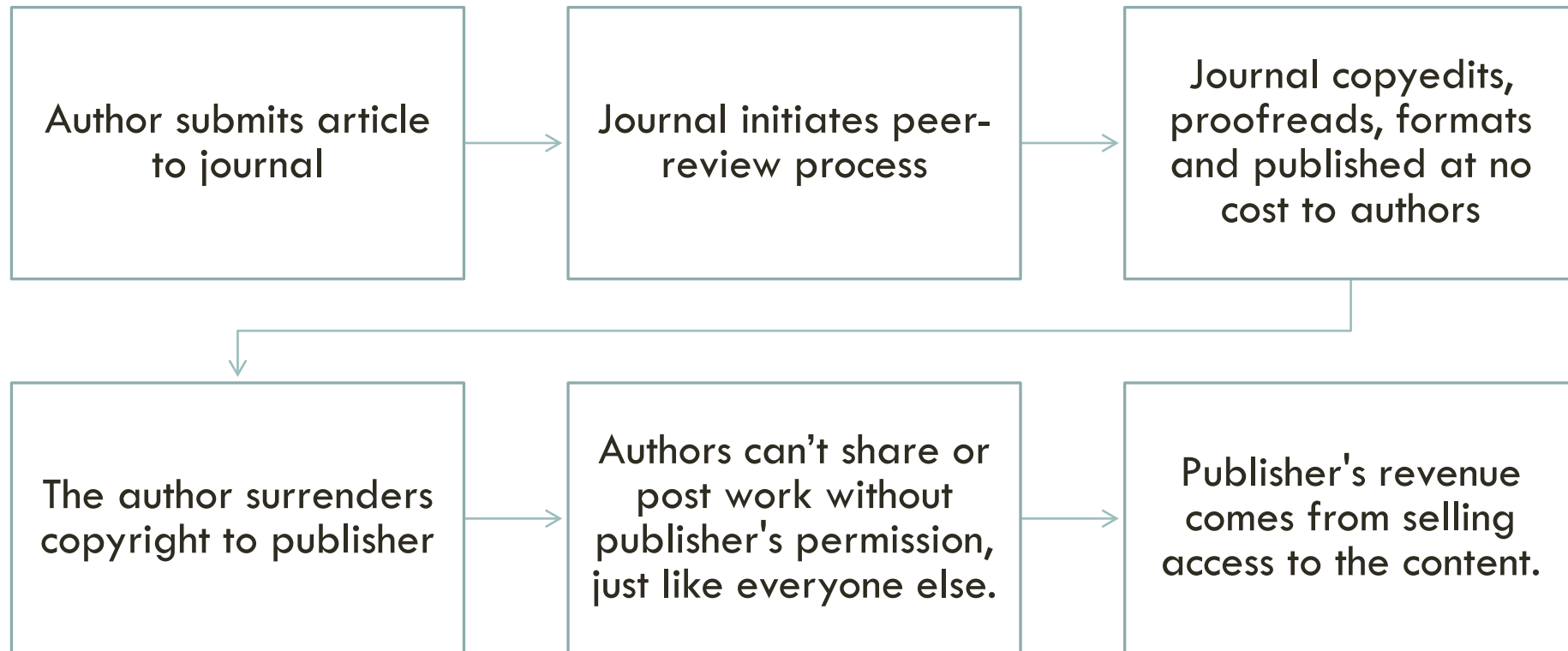
## Versions of an article

- Pre-print – finished version BEFORE peer review
- Post-print – final version AFTER peer review submitted by authors (the Word doc)
- Final/published version – Final final version copy-edited and formatted by publisher

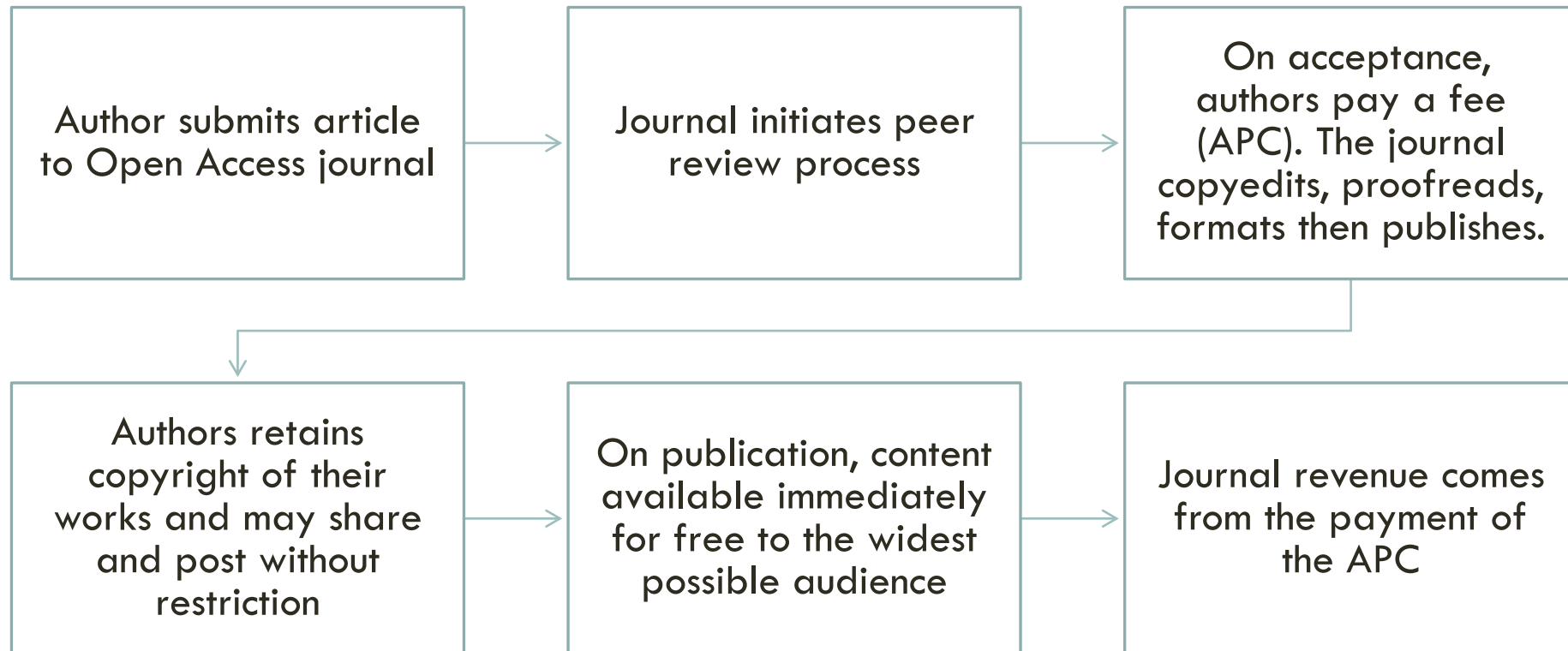
Copyright owner/holder - the body who owns the rights to the work and can decide if/how/where/when something can be shared

Licenses/licensing - permissions granted by the copyright holder

# THE TRADITIONAL MODEL



# "GOLD" OPEN ACCESS MODEL





**WHY BOTHER WITH THIS STUFF?**

We've got other things to worry about...





Promotes broader access to academic research by scholars, students, professionals, and the general public



Retaining copyright facilitates sharing and reuse to reach multiple audiences



Broader exposure can lead to increased impact and citations



Some funding agencies require it!

## THE BENEFITS OF OPEN ACCESS (OA)

# THE TRI-AGENCY POLICY ON OPEN ACCESS

Applies to funding from SSHRC and NSERC (2015) CIHR (2008)

## **3.1 Peer-reviewed Journal Publications**

Grant recipients are required to ensure that any peer-reviewed journal publications arising from Agency-supported research are freely accessible within 12 months of publication.

**There is more than one way to comply.**

# THE JOURNAL ROUTE 3.1(B)

## Journals

**Grant recipients can publish in a journal that offers immediate open access or that offers open access on its website within 12 months. Some journals require authors to pay article processing charges (APCs) to make manuscripts freely available upon publication. The cost of publishing in open access journals is an eligible expense under the [Use of Grant Funds](#).**

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**Gold – Open access journals**

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**Diamond – OA journals that don't charge an APC**

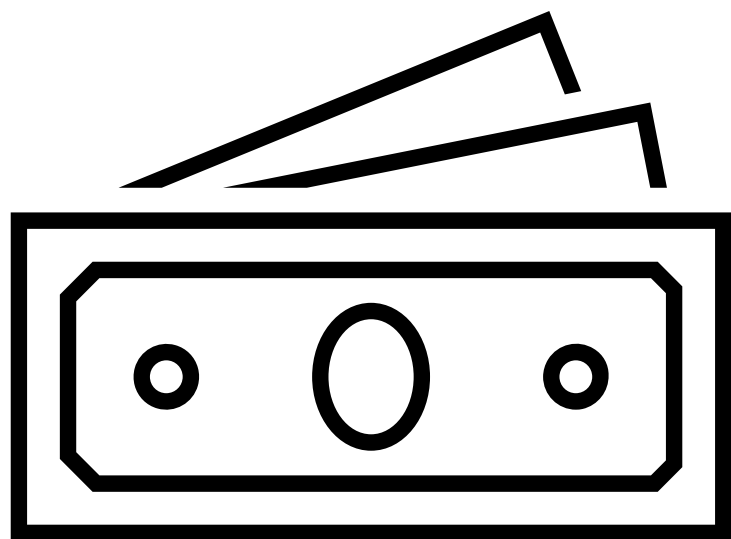
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**Hybrid – OA and traditionally published articles side-by-side in same issue**

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**Mirror – OA versions of a paywalled journal**

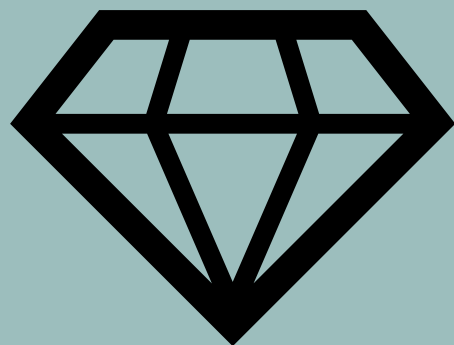
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# THE REPOSITORY ROUTE 3.1(A)

## Online Repositories

**Grant recipients can deposit their final, peer-reviewed manuscript into an institutional or disciplinary repository that will make the manuscript freely accessible within 12 months of publication. It is the responsibility of the grant recipient to determine which publishers allow authors to retain copyright and/or allow authors to archive journal publications in accordance with funding agency policies.**

i.e. The post-print in DalSpace within 12 months

This is called "Green OA" and it is FREE \$\$\$\$

# IS THAT ALLOWED? HOW DOES IT WORK?

Authors publish in a traditional (i.e. not open access) journal

The journal gains copyright but licenses/permits the authors some limited capacity to share their work openly...

- It is useful to read the author agreement to make sure Green OA is permitted
- Another useful source of this information is SHERPA/Romeo <https://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/>

There are three variables to look for...



# THE QUESTIONS FOR "GREEN OA"



What?



# DALSPACE FOR GREEN OPEN ACCESS

FREE!

Discoverable, accessible (long term), permanent

Deposit a wide range of materials - abstracts, preprints\*, presentations, posters, articles, chapters, etc.

\* not for temporary posting

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## Open Access

Information about open access, self-archiving and repositories.

About Open Access

Tri-Agency and Other  
Publication Policies

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Green or No Cost Open  
Access

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### Self Archiving in an Institutional Repository - DalSpace



DalSpace, an initiative of the Dalhousie Libraries, is an institutional repository designed to house, preserve and showcase the intellectual legacy of Dalhousie University. DalSpace contains digital content related to the research and teaching of the faculty of Dalhousie University, as well as content related to the university's academic mission and administration. This may include theses, journal articles, learning objects, images, and other relevant content.

Open content presently includes post-prints of research papers from Dalhousie based authors, the digitized "Proceedings of the Nova Scotia Institute of Science", the publications of the Institute of Public Affairs and the Atlantic Institute of Criminology, Dalhousie yearbooks, graduate theses and much more.

For further information, contact: Geoff Brown, Digital Scholarship Librarian: [gscbrown@dal.ca](mailto:gscbrown@dal.ca)

#### Benefits of an Institutional Repository

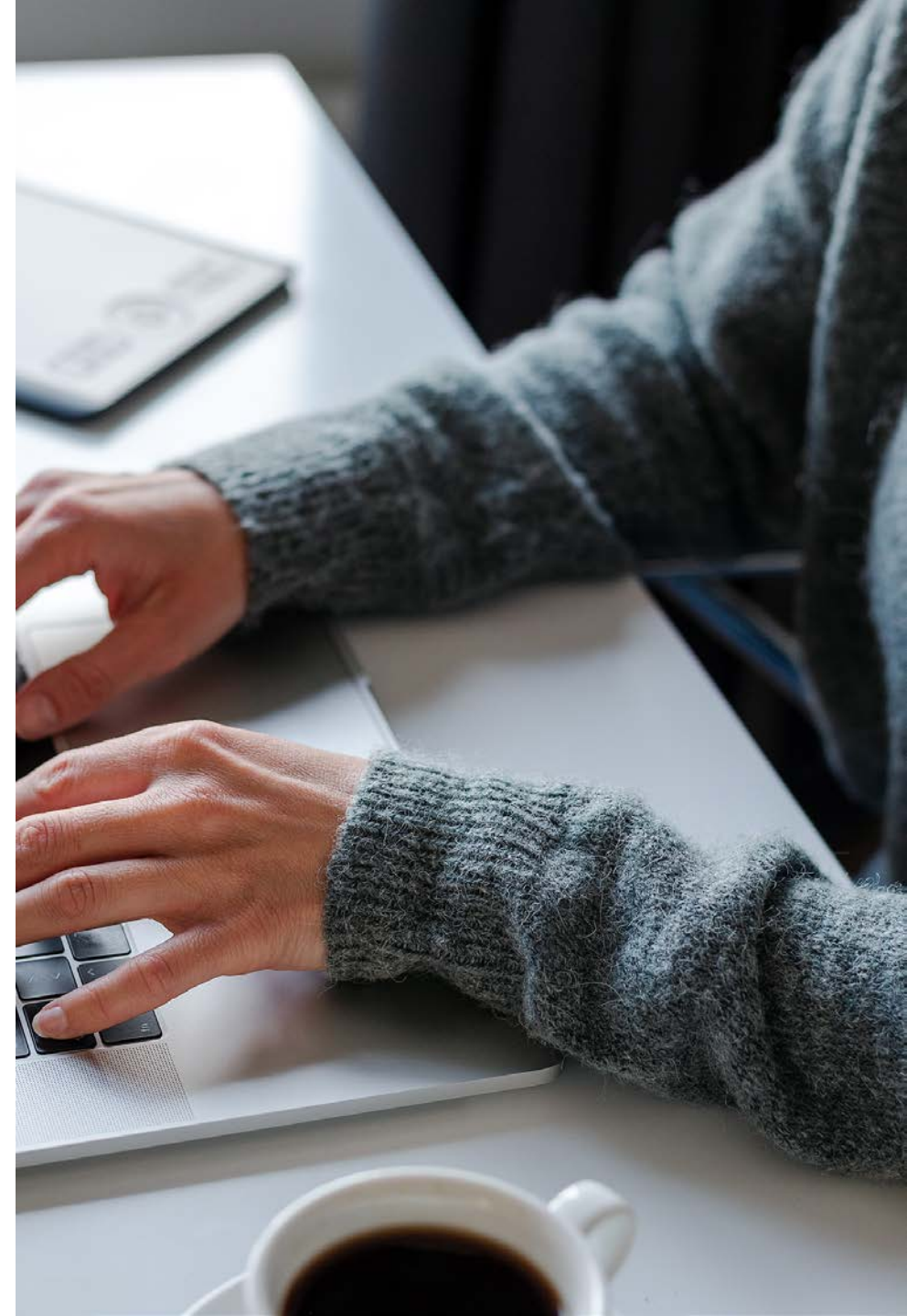
# FROM THE POLICY...

**These routes to open access are not mutually exclusive.** Researchers are strongly encouraged to deposit a copy of the final, peer-reviewed manuscript into an accessible online repository immediately upon publication, even if the article is freely available on the journal's website.

# A LOT OF CONFUSION...

From a team exchange about whether to pay the APC for open access:

"This journal only has one open-access option - it either is or it is not..."



# AND SOME OBFUSCATION...

What do these mean?

- "Free Access"
- "Available Access"
- "Full text Access"

What are the implications for...

- Downloading?
- Sharing?
- Long term access?



# TIPS FOR CHOOSING YOUR JOURNAL |

# THE MONEY QUESTION

Do you have funds to cover an APC?

- Yes, lots! Great! Publish wherever you wish
- Yes, some. Great! Look at our transformative agreements for discounted or waived APCs
- Yes, but I'm not spending it on APCs. OR No, our pockets are empty. Great – you can still comply with the policy!
  - Look for agreements with a full waiver
  - Take the Green option, taking care to ensure that is permitted by the journal



# THE QUALITY/INTEGRITY QUESTION

Some tools for evaluating that journal for quality and integrity

- "Allow lists"
  - Cabell's Journalytics
  - Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)
- "Block lists"
  - Beall's list
- Checklists – Think.check.submit

The Problems:

Allow/Block lists are FAR from comprehensive, biased

Checklists rely on proxies. The easy/superficial qualities are least reliable.

Most sophisticated lists requires a certain degree of scholarly publishing literacy.

# MY ADVICE ON JOURNAL ASSESSMENT

## 1) Don't be fooled by bells and whistles.

- Scholarly publishing is big, profitable business. Investments are made.
- Professional looking websites, ISSNs, DOIs

## 2) Look for lies

- Indexing – downright lies what databases the journal appears in

# FINAL PIECE OF ADVICE

## 3) Look at where it is indexed

- It's not always possible to tell conclusively if a journal is “predatory”
- BUT – even if a journal is above reproach, researchers should make thoughtful choices about publishing in a journal that's not indexed in the usual databases of the field



# BOTTOM LINE

There are multiple ways to comply with the Tri-Agency Policy on Open Access and it is always possible to do so AT NO COST!

Dalhousie Libraries can provide tools and expertise to help you navigate the options.

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# THOUGHTS? QUESTIONS?

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