

About

The aim of this repository is:

- to release datasets on fees paid for Open Access journal articles by German Universities under an Open Database License
- to share a copy of [Directory of Open Access Journals \(DOAJ\)](#) journal master list (downloaded January 2014)
- to demonstrate how reporting on fee-based Open Access publishing can be made more transparent and reproducible across institutions.

Dataset

At the moment, the dataset releases information on 1.432 articles, with total expenditure of 1.732.556 EURO.

View dataset on [GitHub](#).

Participating Universities

So far, the following German universities have agreed to share information on paid author processing charges (APC):

- [Bielefeld University](#)
- [Leibniz Universität Hannover](#)
- [KIT Karlsruhe*](#)
- [University of Duisburg-Essen](#)
- [University of Konstanz](#)
- [University of Regensburg](#)
- (KIT omitted DOI due to privacy concerns)

Participating Research Society Funds in Germany

Dataset on funds that are supported by research societies under its Open-Access Publishing Programme.

Participating Research Organizations:

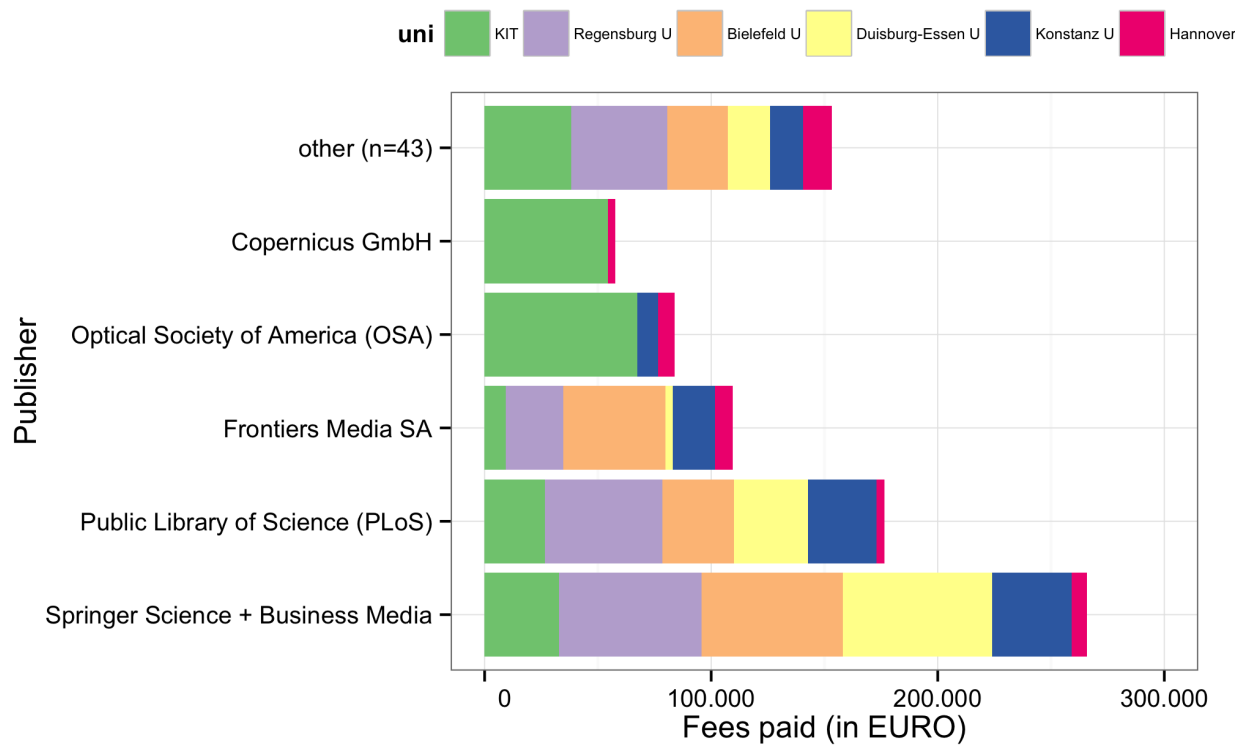
- [Max Planck Digital Library](#)

The data content covers APCs as paid for by our central budget for the Max Planck Society. APCs funded locally by Max Planck Institutes are not part of this data set. The Max Planck Society has a limited input tax reduction. The refund of input VAT for APC is 20%.

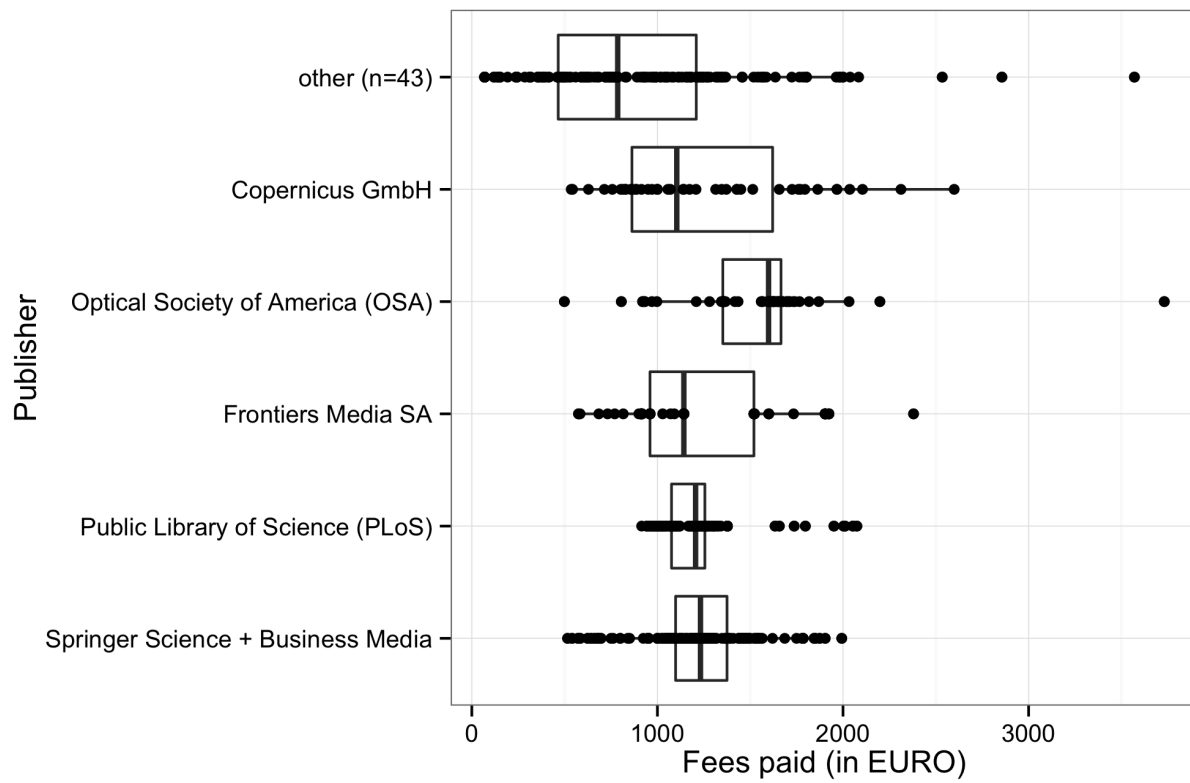
Sample Visualisations

Distribution over publishers by university

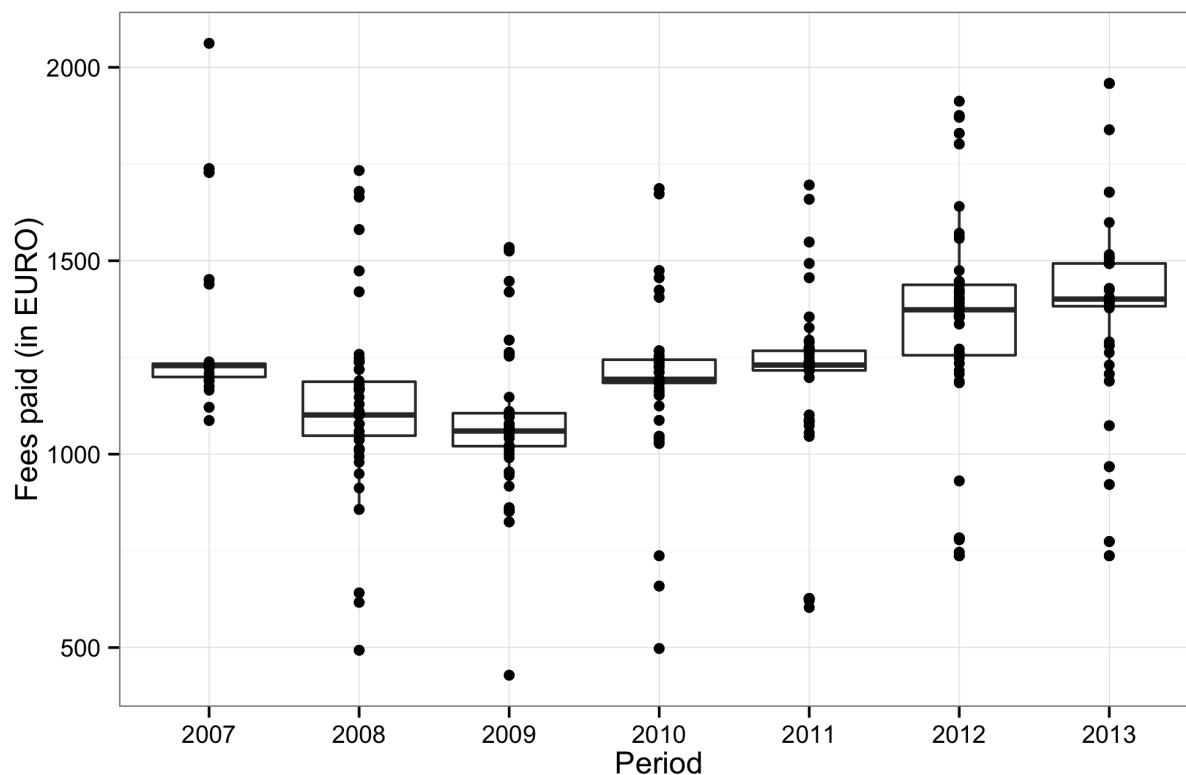
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Average fees paid by publisher



Average fees Max Planck Digital Library paid for Springer Open Access articles by year



For more examples see also <http://njahn82.github.io/unibiAPC/>

How to contribute?

In collaboration with the [DINI working group Electronic Publishing](#), a [wiki page](#) (in German) explains all the steps required. Meeting and telephone conferences are documented as well:

- [Virtual Meeting 19 August](#)

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