

# Open Access Models

## Green Open Access

- Self-Archiving of Accepted Versions (the final manuscript following peer review) in institutional / subject repositories
- Free – there is no cost to deposit in ResearchOnline@JCU
- Allowed by 68% of journals (as stated in publishing agreements)
- For examples, search the [RoMEO](http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo) (<http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo>)

## Gold Open Access

- Unrestricted and immediate online access to all articles in a journal via the publisher's website
- Author(s) retain copyright ownership of their article and are not restricted in how they can re-use the content
- May require an Article Processing Charge
- e.g. PLoS journals

## Hybrid “Open Access” Journals

- Do *not* meet the true meaning of Open Access because:
  - (1) “Open Access” is only enabled to individual articles for which an Article Processing Charge (APC) is paid
  - (2) Access to articles is usually only via the publisher's site
  - (3) Copyright of the article is usually retained by the publisher
  - (4) Other articles in the same journal are not publicly available
- Profitable for publishers because subscription fees are not usually reduced despite additional income from APCs

## Other considerations

- Open Access *only* applies to scholarly journal articles i.e. publications which do not return a payment to the author(s)
- Compatibility of publisher embargoes vs funder requirements of article availability (usually 6 or 12 month embargoes)