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PILOT OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING NATIONAL FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT Frontiers-CSAL

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Central Invoicing Agreement for Participating Organisations

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Effective Date: 1 January 2023

Parties:

Frontiers Media SA, a Swiss corporation (no. CH-550.1.053-.916-3) having its principal place of business at Avenue du Tribunal Fédéral 34, 1005 Lausanne, Switzerland (Frontiers), and

the respective Participating Organisations set forth in Annex 2 hereto (Participating Organisations), duly represented via a power of attorney and as updated from time to time by the Consortium of Swiss Academic Libraries, c/o SLSP AG, Kasernenstrasse 77 A/B CH-8004 Zürich, Switzerland (CSAL).

Background

The Parties, who wish to record the terms of their agreement concerning the provision of an Open Access publishing solution to researchers in Swiss organisations and their respective organisations, and a process for central invoicing and payment for this solution and associated services, agree to the terms set out in this Agreement.

Agreed Terms

1. Definitions

In this Agreement, including its Annexes, the following definitions apply:

Article Processing Charge or APC: the charge made by Frontiers associated with publication of an article.

Eligible Author: a corresponding author of a given article (being the author who submits an article in his or her name, or as the representative of multiple co-authors, to Frontiers) who is affiliated to a Participating Organisation at the time of submission of that article.

Eligible Article: an article for which a Participating Organisation agrees (via an "article eligibility verification procedure") to be invoiced for, and pay, its Fixed APC centrally, should the article be accepted for publication. By default, an article accepted for publication during the term of the Agreement by an Eligible Author is an Eligible Article.

Fixed APC: a fixed-amount APC based on article category, applied to Eligible Articles pursuant to this Agreement.

"Hosted Journal(s)" refers to journals owned by a third-party which are published by Frontiers.

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Participating Organisation: an organisation which has been confirmed by CSAL as a Participating Organisation under the terms of this Agreement.

This agreement is intended for academic, non-profit, state-funded research organisations (and their state funders) and government agencies in Switzerland. All members and customers of the CSAL as listed in **Annex 3** are eligible to participate in this Agreement.

2. Formation and Status of this Agreement

This Agreement is constituted by this document and the attached Annexes which form an integral part of this Agreement.

3. Eligibility and Participation

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All organisations which are listed in **Annex 3** and which, during the term of this Agreement, are confirmed in writing by CSAL to Frontiers as being represented by CSAL and having agreed to the terms of this Agreement, will, immediately upon such confirmation, be added to **Annex 2** and will thus become Participating Organisations under this Agreement and will be entitled to enjoy the rights, and shall be subject to the obligations, set out in this Agreement as from the time of receipt by Frontiers of such written confirmation, or if specified otherwise by CSAL, as from a specific later date. Participation by a future CSAL member is at the discretion of Frontiers. For avoidance of doubt, participation will not be refused to any future member that is an academic, non-profit, state-funded research organisation or a government agency based in Switzerland.

4. Frontiers' Undertakings

Frontiers undertakes, for the duration of this Agreement (and, in respect of each Participating Organisation, for as long as it has that status) to comply with its obligations as set out in this Agreement, including but not limited to the Fixed APCs.

5. Undertakings of Participating Organisations

Each Participating Organisation undertakes, for the duration of its participation in this Agreement, to comply with its obligations as set out in this Agreement, including providing point(s) of contact for the Participating Organisation concerned.

6. Communication of this Central Invoicing Agreement

CSAL agrees to inform its members of the possibility of becoming a Participating Organisation under this Agreement annually.

7. Term and Termination

a. This Agreement enters into force on 1 January 2023 and shall end on 31 December 2023.

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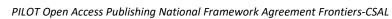
- b. CSAL confirms that it has the authority via power of attorney to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Participating Organisations and to make them parties to this Agreement.
- c. Any Participating Organisation may terminate its participation in this Agreement by written notice with immediate effect if Frontiers (i) commits a material breach of this Agreement and fails to remedy that breach within 30 days following written notice by the terminating Party, specifying the breach and requiring that it be remedied; or (ii) is unable to pay its debts as they become due, or ceases or threatens to cease to carry on business, goes into administration, receivership or administrative receivership, or any event analogous to any of the foregoing occurs in any jurisdiction.
- d. Frontiers may terminate this Agreement in respect of any Participating Organisation by written notice with immediate effect if that Participating Organisation (i) commits a material breach of this Agreement and fails to remedy that breach within 30 days following written notice by Frontiers, specifying the breach and requiring that it be remedied; or (ii) is unable to pay its debts as they become due, or ceases or threatens to cease to carry on business, goes into administration, receivership or administrative receivership, or any event analogous to any of the foregoing occurs in any jurisdiction.
- e. Any credit remaining in the Pre-Payment accounts (as described in subsection "Payment and Advance Payment Scheme" in section "1.2. Financial Terms" in Annex 1) at the effective date of expiration or termination shall be refunded by Frontiers to CSAL within two months after the date of expiration or termination. Alternatively, CSAL may choose to use that credit for a new agreement. If there is a net amount owed to Frontiers, CSAL will pay that amount within 30 days of receiving a corresponding invoice issued by Frontiers.
- f. Under no circumstances shall either Party be liable for any consequential, indirect, or special losses howsoever arising or for any loss of profits, revenue, interest, goodwill, business and/or savings.

8. Dispute Resolution

- a. This Agreement is governed by the laws of Switzerland.
- b. The Parties will in good faith attempt to negotiate to resolve any issues or disputes arising, and if necessary, to escalate matters internally.
- c. To the extent that any issues or disputes cannot be avoided or resolved as described in b above, such disputes shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Zürich, Switzerland.

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Signed on the date(s) set out below.

CSAL for itself and on behalf of the Participating Organisations via power of attorney



Frontiers Media SA



Annexes:

Annex 1: Terms for Central Invoicing

Annex 2: List of Participating Organisations

Annex 3: Members and Customers of the Consortium of Swiss Academic Libraries

Annex 4: Advance Payment Scheme

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Annex 1 – Terms for Central Invoicing

1.1 General Terms

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These terms form part of the Open Access Publishing National Framework Agreement and this is **Annex 1** referred to in the body of that Agreement.

Summary of terms

- a) Subject to Fixed APCs which may vary by Participating Organization, equal terms apply to all Participating Organisations, regardless of their size or research output.
- b) The initial Participating Organisations listed in **Annex 2** participate as of **1 January 2023**.
- c) Article Processing Charges (APCs) for Eligible Articles are no longer paid by those authors but replaced by a Fixed APC paid centrally by CSAL (which will recover it from the respective central libraries or departments of the Participating Organisations).
- d) Each Participating Organisation will be able for each article submitted during the term of the Agreement after article submission, during the review process to verify (confirm or decline) whether the article is eligible for the benefits provided by this Agreement, and, if confirmed, it shall be attributed to the Participating Organisation's pre-payment account, as long as the article is accepted for publication.
- e) For Participating Organisations, standard Frontiers APCs will be replaced with the Fixed APCs indicated in **Annex 4**.
- f) For Eligible Articles, there are no other costs charged by Frontiers other than the Fixed APCs.

1.2 Financial Terms

Costs

- a) The only costs Frontiers attributes to the Participating Organisations' pre-payment accounts under this Agreement are those for Fixed APCs for Eligible Articles accepted for publication. Rejected articles do not incur any fees or costs.
- b) If a Participating Organisation declines to cover the Fixed APC for a given article, Frontiers will invoice the corresponding author the ordinary APCs generally applicable at such time outside of the special terms set forth in this Agreement.
- c) Any other paid services provided by Frontiers upon request of authors fall out of the scope of this Agreement.
- d) Eligible Articles covered by a Fixed APC will not be eligible for any other discounts or waivers.

Article types

Frontiers currently defines article types as set out below. Frontiers may have to update the lists of article types and/or introduce new article types as publishing practices evolve. Any change will be announced on Frontiers' website.

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The following article types undergo a full peer review:

A-Type Articles: Clinical Trial, Hypothesis & Theory, Methods, Original Research, Policy and Practice Reviews, Review, Systematic Review, Study Protocol, Technology and Code, Registered Report

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B-Type Articles: Brief Research Report, Case Report, Community Case Study, Conceptual Analysis, Curriculum Instruction and Pedagogy, Mini Review, Perspective, Policy Brief

C-Type Articles: Data Report, General Commentary, Opinion

The following article types do not undergo a full peer review:

D-Type Articles: Core Concept (Young Minds), Correction, Editorial, Field Grand Challenge, New Discovery (Young Minds), Specialty Grand Challenge.

As D-Type articles are published free of charge, these articles are excluded from the Agreement and thus also not included in the invoice data (but reported on separately to CSAL).

Payment and Advance Payment Scheme

- a) CSAL opts to make an Advance Payment which will constitute a fund for the Participating Organisations managed by Frontiers, which may be used without limit in time and from which Fixed APCs of Eligible Articles will be debited.
- b) The Advance Payment is an amount as agreed between Frontiers and CSAL and is based on the expected combined (all Participating Organisations) total amount of Fixed APCs for Eligible Article for that year but, in any case, limited to the combined Participating Organisations' maximum budgets for that same year.
- c) Frontiers will invoice and CSAL will pay the Advance Payment (in CHF Swiss Francs) upon signing of the Agreement.
- d) The Advance Payment creates individual pre-payment accounts for each of the Participating Organisations (with CHF Swiss Francs amounts allocated to each Participating Organisation's prepayment account as described in the Advance Payment Scheme in **Annex 4**) managed by Frontiers.
- e) For Eligible Articles, instead of invoicing the authors, the applicable Fixed APCs will be attributed to and settled via the Participating Organisations' pre-payment accounts.
- f) If a Participating Organisation's pre-payment amount is exhausted, CSAL (on behalf of the Participating Organisation) may, but is not obliged to, replenish the pre-payment account. If that account is not replenished, Frontiers will revert (for that Participating Organisation) to invoicing the Eligible Author (even if the Participating Organisation has confirmed the eligibility of an article) for the ordinarily applicable APC (i.e. not the Fixed APC).

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g) At the end of the Agreement, the Advance Payment is compared to the actual combined total amount of Fixed APCs charged for Eligible Articles attributed to the Participating Organisation's pre-payment accounts for that year. Any credit remaining at the effective date of expiration or termination shall be refunded by Frontiers to CSAL within two months after the date of expiration or termination. If there is a net amount owed to Frontiers, CSAL will pay that amount within 30 days of receiving a corresponding invoice issued by Frontiers.

The Advance Payment invoice is payable within thirty days of invoice. The invoice with "Konsortium" as reference will be sent to CSAL at:

SLSP AG (Swiss Library Service Platform) Konsortium der Schweizer Hochschulbibliotheken Kasernenstrasse 77 A/B CH-8004 Zürich

The Participating Organisations will be invoiced by CSAL who will pay Frontiers on their behalf. The liability for the payment stays with each Participating Organisation and each Participating Organisation is only liable for payment of its own Advance Payment as described in **Annex 4**. References to "CSAL" in connection with the payment shall be deemed to refer to each Participating Organisation.

When a New Participating Organisation Joins Mid-Year

Organisations can join the Agreement as set out in Paragraph 3 in the body of the Agreement, i.e., at any point during the year. If an organisation joins the Agreement and becomes a Participating Organisation (or a group of organisations joins the Agreement and organisations in that group become Participating Organisations) before the end of this Agreement, an additional Advance Payment may be required by Frontiers (reflecting those newly joined Participating Organisations for the remainder of the contract year).

The calculation of and articles considered for such additional Advance Payment will be done in principle the same way as the calculation of the Annual Advance Payment (shown in previous section) and associated data will be provided by Frontiers.

1.3 Article Eligibility Verification Procedure and Point of Contact

a) Frontiers will identify and match Eligible Authors to Participating Organisations in the following ways: 1) Payer selected by the corresponding author 2) corresponding author's email domain as listed per Participating Organisation in Annex 2 and as may be updated from time to time 3) corresponding author's first affiliation. If any of the three match a Participating Organisation, the Participating Organisation is asked to verify the article. All Participating Organisations are included in the selection list of "Payers".

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- b) Any article accepted for publication during the term of the Agreement will be covered by this Agreement, thus, the central invoicing process and Fixed APCs will apply to those articles unless refused by the Participating Organisation at its discretion.
- c) The Participating Organisation will provide (and update as needed) via CSAL contact details for a central point of contact for the purpose of the article eligibility verification procedure.
- d) As a mandatory requirement, the Participating Organisations must provide a response (either a confirmation or a refusal) to the verification request sent by Frontiers for each article within 21 days of receipt of such request. A first reminder will be sent by Frontiers after 7 days of this deadline not being met, and a second reminder after 14 days, to the central point of contact. If no response is received in this timeline, Frontiers will assume that the article is not an Eligible Article and will invoice the corresponding author for that article without taking into account the Fixed APC.
- e) When a Participating Organisation has either confirmed its payment of the Fixed APC for an article in error or changes its mind (due, for instance, to a change in its understanding of the situation) and therefore changes its response from 'confirm' to 'decline', Frontiers will endeavour to cooperate by instead invoicing the author(s) or (if applicable) another organisation. However, if Frontiers has relied on the confirmation of a Participating Organisation and is unable to obtain payment from an alternative source following such a change in response, it asks that responsibility is taken according to the original response (i.e., the relevant Fixed APC is attributed to the Participating Organisation).
- f) The verification procedure takes place through an online portal which access is granted to the Participating Organisations by Frontiers. For the avoidance of doubts, access to the online portal remains available to the Participating Organisation for the entire term of their participation in this Agreement and for 30 days thereafter.
- g) The verification procedure will not in any way affect the publication process, and for accepted articles, publication happens without undue delay following the production process.

1.4 Funding Acknowledgement

Frontiers uses all reasonable endeavours to include, as defined by ESAC, a funding acknowledgement to all articles whose APCs are paid for by a Participating Institution centrally under this Agreement: Open Access Funding by [Name of the Participating Institution].

1.5 Copyright License and Depositing Articles in Repositories

- a) Authors (or their organisations) retain their copyright.
- b) Authors and Participating Organisations may archive, under the CC-BY license, any version of the publication and without any delay in any other repository or website.
- c) Frontiers publishes all content on its website https://www.frontiersin.org/ under the Creative Commons "Attribution" (CC-BY) license, currently version 4.0 and automatically updated as and when updated by the Creative Commons organization. For articles published prior to July 2012, Frontiers published under the Creative Commons non-

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- commercial (CC-NC) licence.
- d) Frontiers provides website uptime in accordance with industry standards and will restore access as soon as possible in the event of an interruption or suspension.
- e) Nothing in this Agreement shall be taken to restrict, limit or curtail any provisions of the CC BY 4.0 (and automatically updated as and when updated by the Creative Commons organization) licenses used for publication by Frontiers of Eligible Articles.
- f) Frontiers permits CSAL and Participating Organisations to release metadata of published Frontiers articles using a Creative Commons License CCO.
- g) Frontiers publishes all content with a DOI creating a durable link to the content.
- h) Frontiers ensures that article metadata is submitted immediately upon publication to CrossRef, including licence information: the license URL element (cense_ref>) pointing to the applicable Creative Commons licence URL and the <applies_to> attribute with the value <vor> (Version of record). See: https://www.crossref.org/education/content-registration/administrative-metadata/license-information (this information is current as of January 2022, and future evolutions of CrossRef metadata should be taken into account by Frontiers).
- i) Frontiers automatically submits its content to various third-party repositories. To some repositories all peer-reviewed content is submitted; for example, the full-text of all articles is submitted to CLOCKSS for long term archiving and preservation. Abstracts and metadata of Frontiers journals are deposited in the DOAJ.
- j) Depending on the journal, where relevant, content is also submitted to (or is indexed by) other repositories, such as PubMed Central, Europe PubMed Central, Google Scholar (all journals, crawled by Google), CAS, OpenAIRE, Web of Science, Scopus, Embase, Ei Compendex, Semantic Scholar, PsychINFO, Ulrich's Periodicals Directory, etc.
- k) The repositories in which Frontiers content is deposited are dynamic, and no repository gives any guarantee that it will maintain its relationship with any publisher, but Frontiers strives to ensure that all its journals, including new journals, are referenced in all major repositories, and in particular the DOAJ (Plan S' journal checker tool uses the DOAJ as well).

1.6 Frontiers' Editorial Processes and Other Terms

All articles submitted will remain subject to Frontiers' editorial processes and general policies and conditions, including authors' confirmation on behalf of the copyright owner(s) that they accept the CC-BY licensing terms when submitting their article. The specific arrangements set out in this Agreement have no effect on the peer-review, acceptance, rejection, and retraction processes, and general policies and conditions in place at Frontiers.

1.7 Reporting

Frontiers will make available to the Participating Organisations the following information about Eligible Articles:

i. article title,

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- ii. DOI,
- iii. link to the published article,
- iv. journal title,
- v. APC, applied discounts, final amount invoiced.
- vi. corresponding author names and email addresses, co-author names,
- vii. research funding information (research funder and grant ID),
- viii. date of eligibility verification by the Participating Organisation, and
- ix. the article submission, acceptance, and publication date,
- x. article type.

Frontiers will also provide a report to CSAL at the end of this Agreement covering all Participating Organisations and Eligible Articles. Upon request Frontiers can provide an intermediate report during this Agreement.

This Agreement, the agreed Fixed APCs, and the actual paid APCs, can be made public by Frontiers, as well as by CSAL and each Participating Organisation.

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Annex 2 – List of Participating Organisations

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Participating			
Organisation			
University of Bern			
Oniversity of Bern			
University of Geneva	-		
incl. Hospital			
	-		
University of Lausanne			
incl. Hospital			
Handa faala	-		
Haute école			
pédagogique du canton			
de Vaud (HEP-VD)			
University of Neuchatel	-		
Università della			
Svizzera italiana			
EPF Lausanne			
ETH Zurich	_		
Lib4RI – Library for the			
Research Institutes			
within the ETH Domain:			
Swiss Federal Institute			
of Aquatic Science and			
Technology			
Swiss Federal			
Laboratories for			
Materials Science and			
Technology			
Paul Scherrer Institute			
Swiss Federal Institute			
for Forest, Snow and			
Landscape Research			
Lucerne University of			
Applied Sciences and			
Arts			
Zurich University of			
Applied Sciences			
Agroscope			

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Annex 3 – CSAL Members and Customers

The full lists of CSAL members and customers can be found here:

https://consortium.ch/primaerpartner
https://consortium.ch/sekundaerpartner/

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Annex 4 - Advance Payment Scheme and Fees

Participating Organisation		
ETH Zurich		
University of Lausanne		
University of Bern		
University of Geneva incl. Hospital		
EPF Lausanne		
Lib4RI – Library for the Research		
Institutes within the ETH Domain:		
• Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic		
Science and Technology		
 Swiss Federal Laboratories for 		
Materials Science and		
Technology		
Paul Scherrer Institute		
 Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, 		
Snow and Landscape Research		
Zurich University of Applied Sciences		
Università della Svizzera italiana		
Lucerne University of Applied Sciences		
and Arts		
Haute école pédagogique du canton de		
Vaud		
University of Neuchatel		
Agroscope		
Advance Payment amount to be paid by	CHF 752.301	
CSAL to Frontiers (excluding any	(SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO	
applicable VAT (7,7%)	THOUSAND AND THREE HUNDRED	
1 A	AND ONE SWISS FRANCS)	

^{*} Any amounts due for 2023 will be set off against unused funds from their 2022 Pre-payment account rather than repaid.

** Université de Neuchâtel did not approve any articles in 2022 and Agroscope was not part of the agreement. The forecast is thus 0.

Fixed APCs:

- Category 1: CHF 2,272 per published Eligible Article
- Category 2: CHF 2,030 per published Eligible Article
- Category 3: CHF 1,067 per published Eligible Article

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Annex 5 - Journal List (on 1 Jan 2023)

Journals covered by this Agreement are listed in this Annex. Annex 5 may be updated from time to time. For the avoidance of doubts, any new journals are covered by this Agreement from their launch date unless stated otherwise.

The table 1 below provides information on Frontiers' Owned Journals that are covered by this Agreement. Any new Frontiers owned journal launched during the term of this Agreement will be automatically added to this Agreement.

Table 1: Frontiers owned Journals:

ISSN	Journal	URL
1662-453X	Frontiers in Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neuroscience
1662-5129	Frontiers in Neuroanatomy	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neuroanatomy
1662-5137	Frontiers in Systems Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/systems- neuroscience
1662-5145	Frontiers in Integrative Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/integrative- neuroscience
1662-5188	Frontiers in Computational Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/computational-neuroscience
1662-5110	Frontiers in Neural Circuits	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neural-circuits
1662-5196	Frontiers in Neuroinformatics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neuroinformatics
1662-5218	Frontiers in Neurorobotics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neurorobotics
1662-6427	Frontiers in Neuroenergetics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neuroenergetics
1662-6443	Frontiers in Neuroengineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neuroengineering
1663-070X	Frontiers in Evolutionary Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/evolutionary-neuroscience
1663-3563	Frontiers in Synaptic Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/synaptic- neuroscience
1664-1078	Frontiers in Psychology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/psychology
1664-0640	Frontiers in Psychiatry	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/psychiatry
1664-2392	Frontiers in Endocrinology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/endocrinology
1664-2295	Frontiers in Neurology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neurology
1663-9812	Frontiers in Pharmacology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/pharmacology
1664-042X	Frontiers in Physiology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/physiology
1664-8021	Frontiers in Genetics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genetics
1664-3224	Frontiers in Immunology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/immunology
1664-302X	Frontiers in Microbiology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/microbiology
1664-462X	Frontiers in Plant Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/plant-science
2296-634X	Frontiers in Cell and Developmental Biology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/cell-and-developmental-biology
2234-943X	Frontiers in Oncology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/oncology
2296-4185	Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/bioengineering-and-biotechnology
2296-701X	Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/ecology-and-evolution
2673-3080	Frontiers in Toxicology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/toxicology

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2296-2646	Frontiers in Chemistry	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/chemistry
2296-858X	Frontiers in Medicine	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/medicine
2296-987X	Frontiers in Astronomy and Space	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/astronomy-and-
	Sciences	space-sciences
2296-875X	Frontiers in Surgery	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/surgery
2296-2360	Frontiers in Pediatrics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/pediatrics
2673-4915	Frontiers in Dental Medicine	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/dental-medicine
2296-8016	Frontiers in Materials	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/materials
2296-2565	Frontiers in Public Health	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/public-health
2296-424X	Frontiers in Physics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/physics
2296-598X	Frontiers in Energy Research	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/energy-research
2296-665X	Frontiers in Environmental Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/environmental-science
2296-861X	Frontiers in Nutrition	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/nutrition
2297-198X	Frontiers in ICT	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/ict
2297-1769	Frontiers in Veterinary Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/veterinary-science
2296-6463	Frontiers in Earth Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/earth-science
2296-7745	Frontiers in Marine Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/marine-science
2296-9144	Frontiers in Robotics and Al	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/robotics-and-ai
2673-6861	Frontiers in Rehabilitation Sciences	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/rehabilitation-sciences
2296-889X	Frontiers in Molecular Biosciences	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/molecular-biosciences
2297-055X	Frontiers in Cardiovascular Medicine	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/cardiovascular- medicine
2297-2668	Frontiers in Digital Humanities	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/digital-humanities
2297-3362	Frontiers in Built Environment	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/built-environment
2297-3079	Frontiers in Mechanical Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/mechanical- engineering
2296-6846	Frontiers for Young Minds	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/frontiers-for-young-minds
2297-4687	Frontiers in Applied Mathematics and	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/applied-
2297-7775	Statistics Frontiers in Sociology	mathematics-and-statistics https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sociology
2297-900X	Frontiers in Communication	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sociology
	Frontiers in Education	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/education
2504-284X 2571-581X	Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sustainable-food-
		systems
2624-893X	Frontiers in Forests and Global Change	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/forests-and-global- change
2624-909X	Frontiers in Big Data	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/big-data
2624-7852	Frontiers in Blockchain	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/blockchain
2624-8212	Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/artificial-intelligence
2235-2988	Frontiers in Cellular and Infection Microbiology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/cellular-and-infection-microbiology
2624-9375	Frontiers in Water	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/water
2624-9634	Frontiers in Sustainable Cities	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sustainable-cities
2673-3153	Frontiers in Reproductive Health	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/reproductive-health

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2624-9367	Frontiers in Sports and Active Living	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sports-and-active-living
2624-9553	Frontiers in Climate	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/climate
2624-9898	Frontiers in Computer Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/computer-science
1662-5102	Frontiers in Cellular Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/cellular-neuroscience
2673-3013	Frontiers in Nanotechnology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/nanotechnology
2673-5210	Frontiers in Future Transportation	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/future-transportation
2673-2718	Frontiers in Chemical Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/chemical-engineering
2673-2726	Frontiers in Human Dynamics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/human-dynamics
2673-253X	Frontiers in Digital Health	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/digital-health
2673-3439	Frontiers in Genome Editing	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genome-editing
2673-3218	Frontiers in Agronomy	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/agronomy
2673-4524	Frontiers in Sustainability	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sustainability
2673-3145	Frontiers in Political Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/political-science
2673-4192	Frontiers in Virtual Reality	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/virtual-reality
2673-6217	Frontiers in Aging	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/aging
2673-3129	Frontiers in Medical Technology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/medical-technology
1662-5161	Frontiers in Human Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/human-neuroscience
1662-5153	Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/behavioral- neuroscience
2504-0537	Frontiers in Research Metrics and Analytics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/research-metrics-and-analytics
2673-5075	Frontiers in Space Technologies	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/space-technologies
2673-5857	Frontiers in Electronics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/electronics
2673-4486	Frontiers in Environmental Chemistry	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/environmental- chemistry
2673-4842	Frontiers in Oral Health	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/oral-health
2673-5067	Frontiers in Sensors	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sensors
2673-6101	Frontiers in Allergy	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/allergy
2673-8619	Frontiers in Soil Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/soil-science
2673-6225	Frontiers in Animal Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/animal-science
2674-0702	Frontiers in Systems Biology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/systems-biology
2673-7647	Frontiers in Bioinformatics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/bioinformatics
2673-8600	Frontiers in Insect Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/insect-science
2673-611X	Frontiers in Conservation Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/conservation-science
2673-6128	Frontiers in Fungal Biology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/fungal-biology
2673-561X	Frontiers in Pain Research	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/pain-research
2673-5059	Frontiers in Global Women's Health	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/global-womenshealth
2673-6616	Frontiers in Clinical Diabetes and Healthcare	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/clinical-diabetes-and-healthcare
2673-6268	Frontiers in Control Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/control-engineering
2673-8198	Frontiers in Signal Processing	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/signal-processing
2673-530X	Frontiers in Communications and Networks	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/communications-and-networks
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2673-6853	Frontiers in Photonics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/photonics

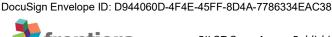
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2673-6195	Frontiers in Neuroergonomics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neuroergonomics
2673-7515	Frontiers in Tropical Diseases	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/tropical-diseases
2673-7313	Frontiers in Catalysis	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/catalysis
1532-2807	Pathology and Oncology Research	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/pathology-and-
1552-2607	Pathology and Officiology Research	oncology-research
2673-8740	Frontiers in Radiology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/radiology
2813-1193	Frontiers in Neuroimaging	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/neuroimaging
2673-9283	Frontiers in Analytical Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/analytical-science
2673-818X	Frontiers in Virology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/virology
2674-0109	Frontiers in Network Physiology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/network-physiology
1662-5099	Frontiers in Molecular Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/molecular- neuroscience
2673-8880	Frontiers in Nuclear Medicine	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/nuclear-medicine
2813-0146	Frontiers in Health Services	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/health-services
2634-730X	Earth Science, Systems and Society	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/earth-science,-
		systems-and-society
2674-0095	Frontiers in Molecular Medicine	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/molecular-medicine
2813-0359	Frontiers in Manufacturing Technology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/manufacturing- technology
2813-0456	Frontiers in Thermal Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/thermal-engineering
2674-0850	Frontiers in Drug Delivery	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/drug-delivery
2674-0338	Frontiers in Drug Discovery	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/drug-discovery
2674-0869	Frontiers in Drug Safety and Regulation	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/drug-safety-and-regulation
2813-3412	Frontiers in Nuclear Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/nuclear-engineering
2673-9828	Frontiers in Urology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/urology
2813-3749	Frontiers in Biomaterials Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/biomaterials-science
2674-0826	Frontiers in Ophthalmology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/ophthalmology
2813-2890	Frontiers in Sleep	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sleep
2674-1121	Frontiers in Food Science and	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/food-science-and-
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Coming soon	Frontiers in Sustainable Tourism	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sustainable-tourism
2813-2181	Frontiers in Quantum Science and Technology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/quantum-science-and-technology
2813-1010	Frontiers in Membrane Science and Technology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/membrane-science- and-technology
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2813-1169	Frontiers in Gastroenterology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/gastroenterology
2813-0499	Frontiers in Soft Matter	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/soft-matter
2813-3110	Frontiers in the Internet of Things	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/the-internet-of-things
2813-0626	Frontiers in Nephrology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/nephrology
2813-2106	Dystonia	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/dystonia
2253-6574	Spanish Journal of Soil Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/spanish-journal-of-soil-science

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Coming soon	Frontiers in High Performance Computing	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/high-performance-computing
2813-3315	Frontiers in Imaging	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/imaging
2674-1199	Frontiers in Epidemiology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/epidemiology
Coming soon	Frontiers in Transplantation	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/transplantation
2813-5296	Frontiers in Behavioral Economics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/behavioral- economics
1432-2277	Transplant International	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/transplant-international
2813-2831	Frontiers in Aerospace Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/aerospace- engineering
Coming soon	Frontiers in Hematology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/hematology
1663-4365	Frontiers in Aging Neuroscience	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/aging-neuroscience
2813-3005	Frontiers in Sustainable Resource Management	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sustainable-resource- management
2813-3056	Frontiers in Stroke	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/stroke
2813-480X	Frontiers in Anesthesiology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/anesthesiology
2813-4532	Frontiers in Cognition	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/cognition
2813-2823	Frontiers in Environmental Economics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/environmental-economics
2813-4540	Frontiers in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/child-and-adolescent- psychiatry
2813-3919	Frontiers in Dementia	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/dementia
2813-4605	Frontiers in Language Sciences	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/language-sciences
2813-5563	Frontiers in Cell Death	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/cell-death
2813-4192	Frontiers in Carbon	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/carbon
Coming soon	Frontiers in Lab on a Chip Technologies	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/lab-on-a-chip- technologies
2813-2424	Frontiers in Parasitology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/parasitology
2813-2467	Frontiers in Antibiotics	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/antibiotics
2813-4982	Frontiers in Sustainable Energy Policy	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sustainable-energy-policy
2813-3595	Frontiers in Horticulture	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/horticulture
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2813-6330	Frontiers in Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/science
Coming soon	Frontiers in Disaster and Emergency Medicine	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/disaster-and- emergency-medicine
1970-5565	Oncology Reviews	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/oncology-reviews
2813-5911	Frontiers in Bee Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/bee-science
2813-4338	Frontiers in Microbiomes	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/microbiomes
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2813-6217	Frontiers in Fuels	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/fuels
2813-5334	Frontiers in Aquaculture	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/aquaculture
2813-5067	Frontiers in Environmental Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/environmental- engineering
2813-558X	Frontiers in Environmental Health	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/environmental- health
Coming soon	Frontiers in Malaria	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/malaria

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2813-5962	Frontiers in Geochemistry	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/geochemistry
2813-4699	Frontiers in Mammal Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/mammal-science
2813-5083	Frontiers in Arachnid Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/arachnid-science
2813-5091	Frontiers in Ethology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/ethology
2813-3870	Frontiers in Bird Science	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/bird-science
2813-6144	Frontiers in Bacteriology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/bacteriology
2813-530X	Frontiers in Chemical Biology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/chemical-biology
2813-6055	Frontiers in Audiology and Otology	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/audiology-and- otology
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2813-4974	Frontiers in Batteries and Electrochemistry	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/batteries-and- electrochemistry
2813-6187	Frontiers in Complex Systems	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/complex-systems
2813-4680	Frontiers in Antennas and Propagation	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/antennas-and- propagation
2813-6047	Frontiers in Industrial Engineering	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/industrial- engineering

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Table 2: Hosted Journals:

ISSN	Journal	URL
Coming soon	Acta Virologica	n.a. (opens for submissions April 5th, launch 1st May 2023)
2674-0001	Advances in Drug and Alcohol Research	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/advances-in-drug-and-alcohol-research
2253-6574	Spanish Journal of Soil Science	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/spanish- journal-of-soil-science
2813-2106	Dystonia	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/dystonia
1661-8564	International Journal of Public Health	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/international-journal-of-public-health
2813-2092	Journal of Abdominal Wall Surgery	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/journal-of-abdominal-wall-surgery

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2474-0896	British Journal of Biomedical Science	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/british- journal-of-biomedical-science
1432-2277	Transplant International	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/transplant-international
1970-5565	Oncology Reviews	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/oncology-reviews
2107-6952	Pathology & Oncology Research	https://www.ssph-journal.org/journals/public-health-reviews
2107-6952	Public Health Reviews	https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/public-health-reviews
2663-5771	European Journal of Cultural Management and Policy	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/european- journal-of-cultural-management-and-policy
1482-1826	Journal of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences	https://www.frontierspartnerships.org/journals/journal-of-pharmacy-&-pharmaceutical-sciences
2634-730X	Earth Science, Systems and Society	https://www.escubed.org/journals/earth-science,-systems-and-society

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