

1.0 Objective

The main objective of the financial support scheme is to encourage UTAR academic staff to publish their R&D findings and output in international journals or equivalent publications.

2.0 Criteria

At the point of application for financial support from UTAR for the publication of a paper all the following criteria must be fulfilled before the application can be considered.

2.1 The paper has been accepted for publication.

2.2 The journal in which the paper is to be published are impact factored journals listed in Clarivate Analytics – InCites Journal Citation Report (JCR) databases (SCIE and SSCI). The Chinese Core Journal (A Guide to the Core Journals of China) published by Peking University Publisher will also be considered.

2.3 The applicant must be a UTAR staff and is the corresponding author of the paper. For cases wherein the UTAR staff is not the corresponding author, the financial support per publication shall be based on the amount of page charge shared equally among authors from other institutions (if any).

2.4 Proper designation of the author(s) at UTAR is included in the paper if allowed in the prescribed format by the publisher.

2.5 Provision of evidence of the impact factored journal concerned being listed in the latest JCR database at submission time.

3.0 Coverage of Financial Support

The financial support is subject to the following conditions.

3.1 Only mandatory page charge is considered.

3.2 Scheme:

- a. Journal Quartile Score (Q1): maximum of financial support of RM 6,000 per publication
- b. Journal Quartile Score (Q2): maximum of financial support of RM 4,000 per publication
- c. Journal Quartile Score (Q3 & Q4): maximum of financial support of RM 2,000 per publication

3.3 For publications involving multimedia content, full justifications must be provided for the mandatory costs incurred in the content publication.

3.4 Notwithstanding (3.1), over-length page charge arising from the publication of paper exceeding the prescribed page limit of the publisher may be considered with the following conditions;

- a. eligible for Q1 journal only
- b. maximum of 2 over-length pages will be considered
- c. coverage under FSJPP scheme- must be in Top 10% of journal category with JIF Percentile of >90%. or
- d. coverage under UTAR RPS scheme - must be a Q1 journal category with JIF Percentile of >75%.
- e. maximum coverage amount is RM 2,000 and does not exceed the maximum of financial support of Q1 journal scheme (\leq RM 6,000)

Notwithstanding (3.2), payment of journal mandatory page charge exceeding the coverage amount under FSJPP may be combined with UTAR RPS with the following conditions;

- a) eligible for indexed journals that are listed in
 - i. JCR databases (SCIE and SSCI), or
 - ii. the Chinese Core Journal (A Guide to the Core Journals of China) published by Peking University Publisher
- b) maximum coverage of top-up amount under UTAR RPS is RM 2,000 per paper.

3.5 The Top 5% journals in respective journal category that are listed in JCR databases can be considered for full financial support of journal publication fee.

3.6 Paper reprint cost shall not be considered.

3.7 Voluntary donations or other optional contributions shall not be considered.

4.0 Application

The application form (FM-IPSR-R&D-005) must be filled and submitted to IPSR together with all required supporting document. In situation where the publication is related to a funded project the possibility of utilising the project fund to support the publication should be explored first.

5.0 Compliance with other UTAR Policies, Guidelines and Codes

Unless stated otherwise, this policy shall be read in conjunction with the UTAR Research Fund Policy, Guideline on Research Publication Scheme, UTAR Intellectual Property Rights Policy, UTAR Commercialisation Policy, UTAR Consultancy Policy, UTAR Research Ethics & Code of Conduct, and any other policies, guidelines or regulations of UTAR, whichever are applicable.