

Subject | Open Access expenses of joint papers rules for 2018-2020 COST Action CA15119 (NANOUP TAKE)

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COST Vademecum allows the funding of publication expenses (including Open Access licenses or expenses) following specific rules (section 10 in www.cost.eu/download/COSTVademecum)

1. ELEGIBILITY CRITERIA

The maximum amount to be expended in this Open Access publication expenses will not exceed the amount assigned for this tool within the corresponding Grant Period. During the 3rd Grant Period, this quantity is 2559€.

All the received applications have to fully address these criteria:

- Publications must be a direct result of work performed by Action Participants and must be co-authored by Action Participants representing at least 3 Participating COST Full Members / COST Cooperating Members from different countries.
- The article has to be accepted after a transparent peer-review.
- Authors must integrate a reference to the COST programme and acknowledge the support of EU funding from Nanouptake COST action.
- The article processing fees (APF) charged to COST may not exceed the APF published on the journal's Web site.
- Value Added Tax (V.A.T.) is not an eligible expense.

2. PROPOSALS SUBMISSION

Two open calls will be made to all NANOUP TAKE participants in order to request applications from 22nd May to 4th June and from 17th September to 1st October.

The applicants must send to the Dissemination Coordinator (Prof. Alina Adriana Minea, aminea@tuiasi.ro) the following information:

1. Publication to be funded
2. Acceptance from the journal
3. Required funding (V.A.T. is not an eligible expense)

3. SELECTION PROCESS

The applications should be submitted to the NANOUP TAKE's Dissemination Coordinator. After the end of application process, they will then go through the review and pre-selection process by an Assessment Panel.

The Assessment panel consists of the chair, or vice-chair, the Dissemination Coordinator and the Working Group (WG) leaders or WG Vice-Leaders. All the Assessment Panel members have to find a substitute in case of conflict of interest or time constraints that will not allow for participation in the assessment.

The proposals collected by the Dissemination coordinator will be sent out to the chair or vice-chair, WG leaders or vice-leaders after the deadline, together with an up-to-date summary of relevant data (compliance with the eligibility criteria, available budget, etc) and an initial evaluation of each proposal taken into account these criteria:

- the priority order to be taken into account would be:
 1. Round Robin tests - that are a specific initiative of NANOUP TAKE
 2. articles in journals situated on the first three positions of the Q1 list
 3. articles in journals included in Q1
 4. articles included in Q2.
- Articles from Q3 or without impact factor are not eligible for funding. The impact of the article (Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4) will be assessed according to 2017 [SCImago Journal Rank \(SJR\) \(available from july 2018\)](#).

After receiving that information from the Dissemination coordinator, each member of the Assessment panel, will provide a score (between 1 and 5) for each proposal, to be gathered by the Dissemination coordinator within two weeks. If no reply is obtained from some of members, the average final evaluation could be performed up to a 50% of the Assessment panel received evaluations.

The final funding will depend on the eligibility criteria, the evaluation score of proposals and the available budget.

The applications received after the deadline of the open calls will be only considered if funding for this activity is still available.

Further questions may be sent to the Dissemination Coordinator (Prof. Alina Adriana Minea, aminea@tuiasi.ro)