

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION
Big Deals Survey 2018
Preliminary results

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Key information

Data collection: August-November 2018

Respondents:

31 Consortia negotiating on behalf of the university sector and other higher education and research performers

Focus: Periodicals

5 major publishers (Elsevier, SpringerNature, Taylor & Francis, Wiley, American Chemical Society)

Data analysed in aggregated fashion

Most data refers to big deal contracts ongoing in 2017 or 2018

Total annual spend on big deals

For all subscriptions to electronic resources (including periodicals, databases, e-books) at national level:

Total (27 European countries) = ~ 907 947 409 EUR

Note: for 4 countries, only the total amount for the surveyed consortium is known. This is a conservative figure.

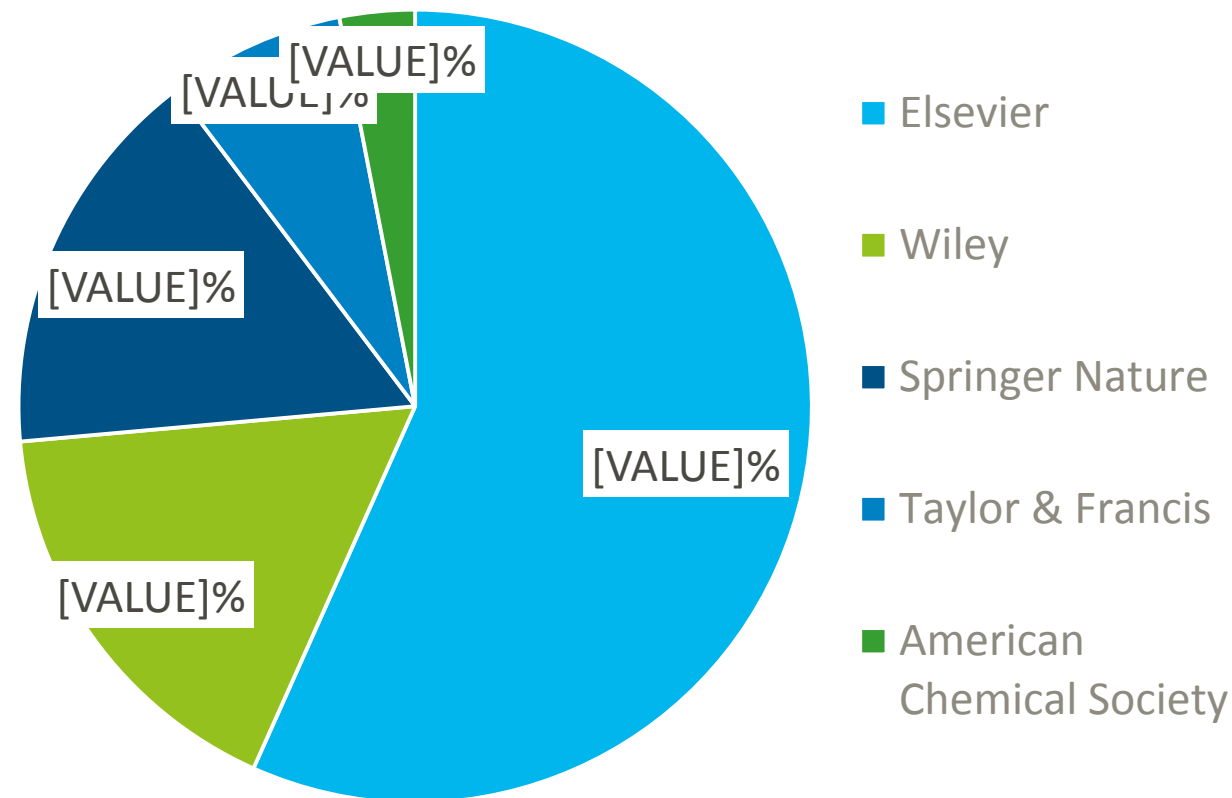
No APCs included in this figure

For periodicals only in the surveyed consortia:

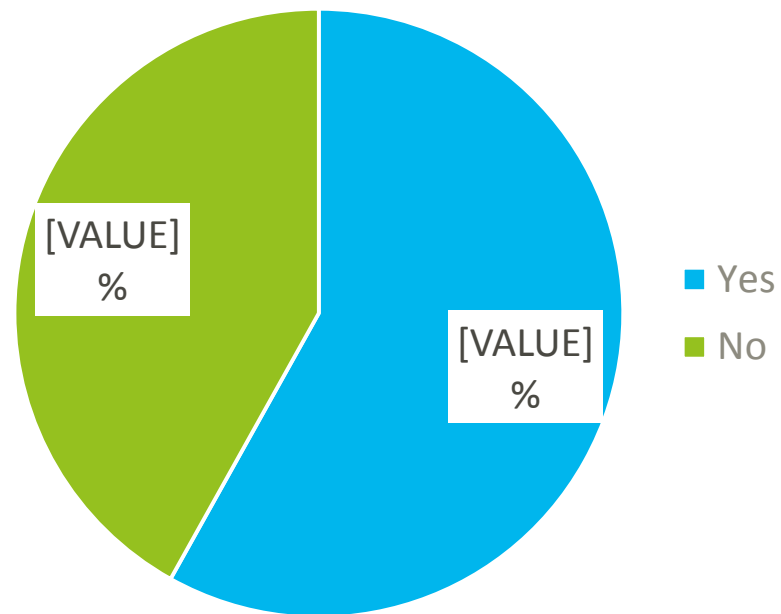
Total (29 European countries) = ~ 701 933 493 EUR

Proportion of costs covered by universities in the consortia = 505 368 613 EUR (~72%)

Overview of distribution of costs by 5 main publishers – Periodicals only



University leadership participating in the negotiation of big deals



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When APCs and subscriptions are included in the same contract

Is there any provision or policy to prevent ‘double dipping’?

Yes	67%
No	33%

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*When APCs and subscriptions are **not** included in the same contract*

Are there any monitoring systems in place to collect data on the funds spent on APCs?

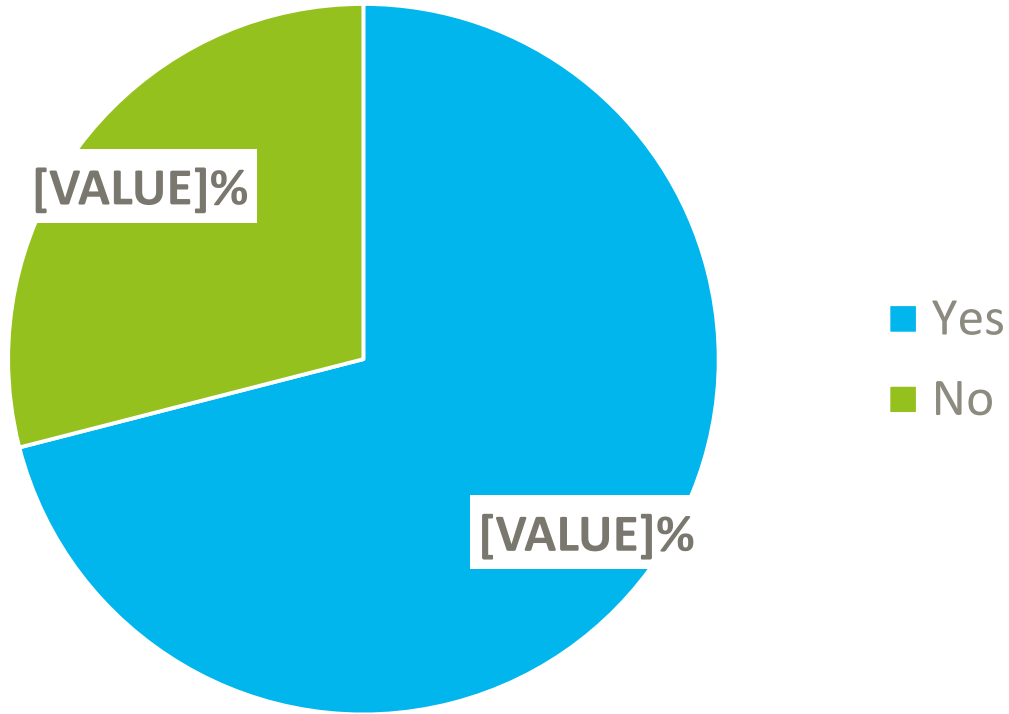
Yes	31%
No	69%

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Inclusion of APCs and subscriptions in the same contractual framework

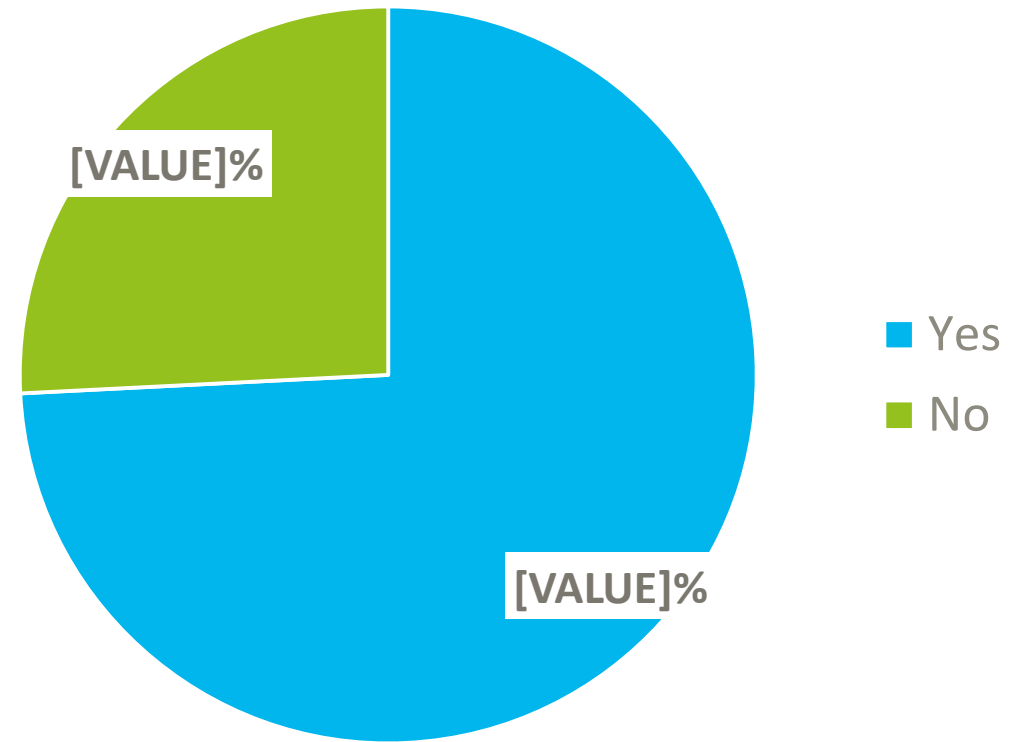
	APCs and subscriptions in same contract	
	Currently (%)	In the future (%)
Yes	19	65
No (subscriptions and APCs in different contracts)	55	7
Other	26	3
Not yet decided		26

Laws facilitating the transparency of contracts



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Existence of Freedom of Information laws



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