

# The Partnership for Open Access

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Open Access





The **Partnership for Open Access (POA)** enables open access publishing in Canada.

It provides **financial support** to non-commercial scholarly journals through the ongoing commitment of library partners and is based on a close collaboration between all stakeholders of the research ecosystem.

Part of the **diamond open access** movement, the POA is building a collective, equitable, and robust path for the dissemination of knowledge.





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No paiement	No commande	Abonnés institutionnels	Période d'abonnement		Type d'abonnement	Tarif	Total facturé	Frais de gestion Érudit	Devise	Taux change	Redevances
1453	12903	Universidad de Granada	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Panier	\$ 72.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 25.00	EUR	1.43	\$ 67.21
1452	13155	Università degli Studi Udine	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Panier	\$ 72.00	\$ 64.80	\$ 22.50	EUR	1.43	\$ 60.49
1441	12900	Library and Archives Canada	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Panier	\$ 72.00	\$ 43.20	\$ 15.00	CAD	1.00	\$ 28.20
1472	13360	Bibliothèque cantonale et universitaire Lausanne	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Panier	\$ 72.00	\$ 50.40	\$ 17.50	USD	1.31	\$ 43.10
1461	13154	Collège militaire royal du Canada	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Titre	\$ 72.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 25.00	CAD	1.00	\$ 47.00
1484	12648	Duke University	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Panier	\$ 72.00	\$ 69.74	\$ 24.22	USD	1.31	\$ 59.64
1484	12652	New York Public Library	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Panier	\$ 72.00	\$ 56.97	\$ 19.78	USD	1.31	\$ 48.72
1463	13368	Hydro-Québec	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Panier	\$ 72.00	\$ 23.29	\$ 8.09	CAD	1.00	\$ 15.21
CRKN - Partenariat pour le libre accès			1/1/2024	12/31/2024	CRKN	\$ 5,511.02	\$ 5,511.02	\$ 1,763.53	CAD	1.00	\$ 3,747.49
1483	12084	Centre de données de la Bibliothèque de la Conférence	1/1/2024	12/31/2024	Carte	\$ 1,384.14	\$ 1,384.14	\$ 44.79	CAD	1.00	\$ 1,289.35
Partenariat pour le libre accès 2023 - Couperin et BiCfB			1/1/2023	12/31/2023	Europe	\$ 338.55	\$ 338.55	\$ 50.78	EUR	1.44	\$ 414.39

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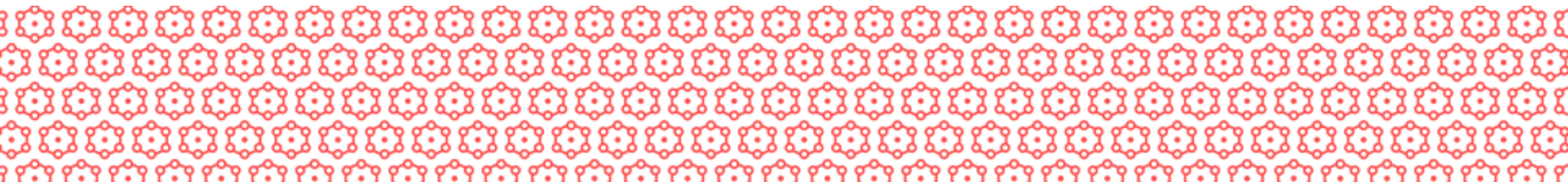
	Facturé	Frais gestion	À recevoir	Frais banque	Total
Montant encaissé en CAD	\$ 6,426.16	\$ 1,727.39	\$ 4,698.78		
Montant encaissé en EUR	\$ 195.62	\$ 67.93	\$ 127.70		
Montant encaissé en USD	\$ 502.26	\$ 174.40	\$ 327.86		
TOTAL	\$ 7,124.05	\$ 1,969.71	\$ 5,154.34		\$ 5,154.34

# Before the POA (c. 2013)

- Existing relationship between Érudit and the Canadian Research Knowledge Network (CRKN)
- Traditional vendor-purchaser relationship (fee for access, 24-month embargo)
- No financial support for the (small number of) immediate OA journals on Érudit
- Growing interest in Open Access (Tri-Agency Open Access Policy on Publications)

## **What's a library consortium?**

An association of multiple libraries that collectively purchases content and pursues other shared goals.



# Enter the POA (2014)

- Partnership relationship (funds to support journals, 12-month embargo)
- Financial support for immediate OA journals on Érudit
- Shared objective to support a sustainable transition to OA, without Article Processing Charges (APC)
  - ◆ Now called Diamond Open Access



# Diamond Open Access

- No fees for readers or for authors. Independent and scholar-led journals.
- Equity and bibliodiversity.
- Adapted to the reality of Canadian HSS journals.
  - ◆ Majority of Canadian scholarly journals already publish with a diamond OA model.<sup>1</sup>

“By gathering community support for non-commercial, scholar-led journals, **Diamond Open Access is best placed to achieve the objectives of the Open Access movement** and to reclaim research as a public good.”

- *Coalition Publica Diamond Open Access Statement*

<sup>1</sup> Bellen, S. van, & Céspedes, L. (2024). *Diamond open access and open infrastructures have shaped the Canadian scholarly journal landscape since the start of the digital era* (No. arXiv:2411.05942). arXiv. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2411.05942>

# The POA Today

- Diamond OA business model with proven success
- 2,000+ immediate OA articles annually
- 250+ scholarly journals
  - ✓ 180+ diamond OA
- 90+ libraries
- 3 library consortia
- 0 APCs



# The Dollars and Cents

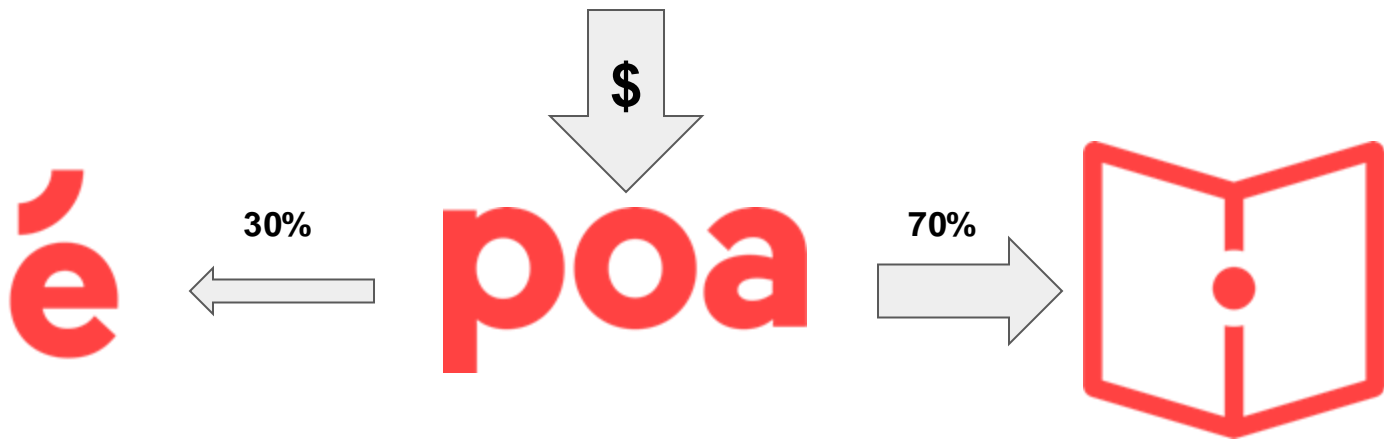


## 96 Libraries

57 in Canada (CRKN) 🍁 ❤️ 📖

34 in France (Couperin)

5 in Belgium (BICfB)





# The Dollars and Cents



→ **70% of the POA is distributed to journals**

- ◆ 260 journals total in 2025

→ **73 embargoed journals**

- ◆ receive amounts based on their self-attributed subscription fee
- ◆ In 2024, including all 3 POA agreements:
  - Range: \$2,900 to \$39,000
  - **Average: \$10,350**

## Erratum




This bullet point should read:

- ◆ **In FY 2023-2024, including all subscriptions and POA agreements:**

# The Dollars and Cents



- **70% of the POA is distributed to journals**
  - ◆ 260 journals total in 2025
- **187 diamond OA journals** all receive the same amount
  - ◆ In 2024, including all 3 POA agreements
    - **\$4,150**
- Not a grant, no reporting
- Sales tax collected by Érudit

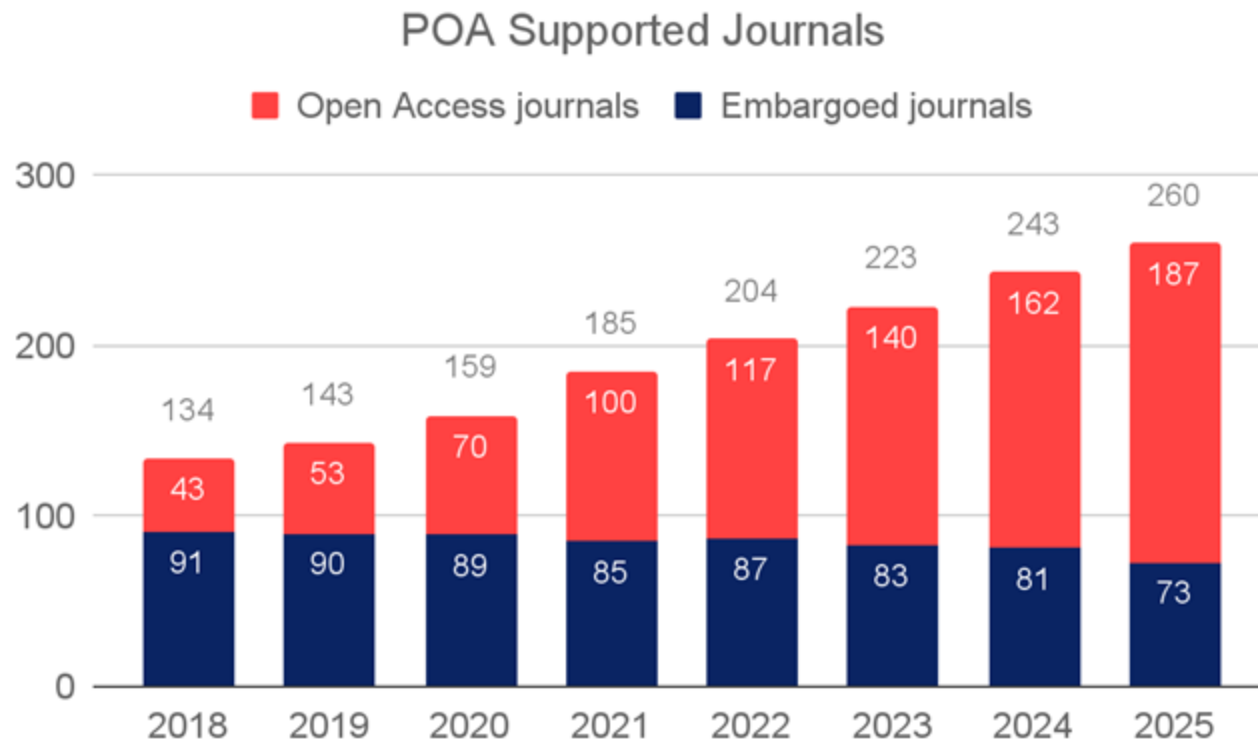
A decorative border made of red dots surrounds the central text.

\$4,150

# An Evolving Collection

→ Diamond OA  
now the  
**majority**

→ **40 journal  
flips** since the  
start of the  
POA



# Year in Review

- 10th Anniversary
- New branding and web page - [erudit.org/partnership](https://erudit.org/partnership)
- Renewal of agreement with CRKN (2025-2029)
  - ✓ 40 meetings
  - ✓ 8 presentations
  - ✓ 2 videos
  - ✓ 1 editorial

## **NEW! Open Access Acceleration Fund**

A new part of our agreement with CRKN, libraries will be recognized at 3 levels:

- **Champions:** POA fee + OA acceleration contribution
- **Partners:** POA fee
- **Allies:** OA acceleration contribution

These funds will be shared exclusively with the OA journals on Érudit.

# Looking Ahead

- Renewing European POA agreements
  - ◆ with Couperin (France)
  - ◆ with BICfB (Belgium)
- Exploring ways to expand the POA
- Building collaborations with other Diamond OA initiatives



# Looking Ahead

- Maximizing new investments in the POA to stabilize journal revenue and distribute POA funds more equitably
- Transforming other traditional subscription agreements to Partnerships
- Changes to journal funding programs
  - ◆ FRQ Programme de soutien aux revues scientifiques
    - Diamond OA by January 1, 2028
  - ◆ SSHRC Aid to Scholarly Journals
    - Program revisions underway
    - Alignment with a revised Tri-Agency OA Policy (immediate OA)









# Thanks!

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