

Report on activities carried out by the UG
Plenipotentiary for Open Access to Scientific
Publications and Research Results in 2020

By implementing the Open Access Policy approved by the Senate of the University of Gdańsk on 14th of December 2017 (62/17), the following activities were carried out throughout 2020 in specific areas:

-----▶ **UG Knowledge Base/Repository/UG scientific journals platform**

1. Launch of UG Repository and making it available to users of the as part of the UG Knowledge Base (<https://repozytorium.bg.ug.edu.pl/>).
2. Modification of the UG Knowledge Base for the evaluation of scientific achievements and employee evaluation (new functionalities, extended reporting).
3. UG Scientific Journals Platform which enables journals to publish their articles in open access – improved functionality (<https://czasopisma.bg.ug.edu.pl/>).
4. Implementation of 6 grants awarded under the call of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education "Support for scientific journals".
5. Implementation of the Springer Open Choice support program – the Compact Program license allows for free publication of articles open under the CC BY license in Springer Publishing hybrid journals. Publication costs are financed by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education under the Springer national license – 54 applications (40 approved).
7. Joining the IOAP (Institutional Open Access Program) of the MDPI (Multidisciplinary Digital Publishing Institute) publishing house. The program supports open access to publications, and participation in it allows all university employees to publish their articles with a 10% discount in the publisher's journals. MDPI (Multidisciplinary Digital Publishing Institute) is a Swiss academic publisher of over 200 journal titles in the Open Access model, many of which are indexed in the Web of Science database and have the Impact Factor index.

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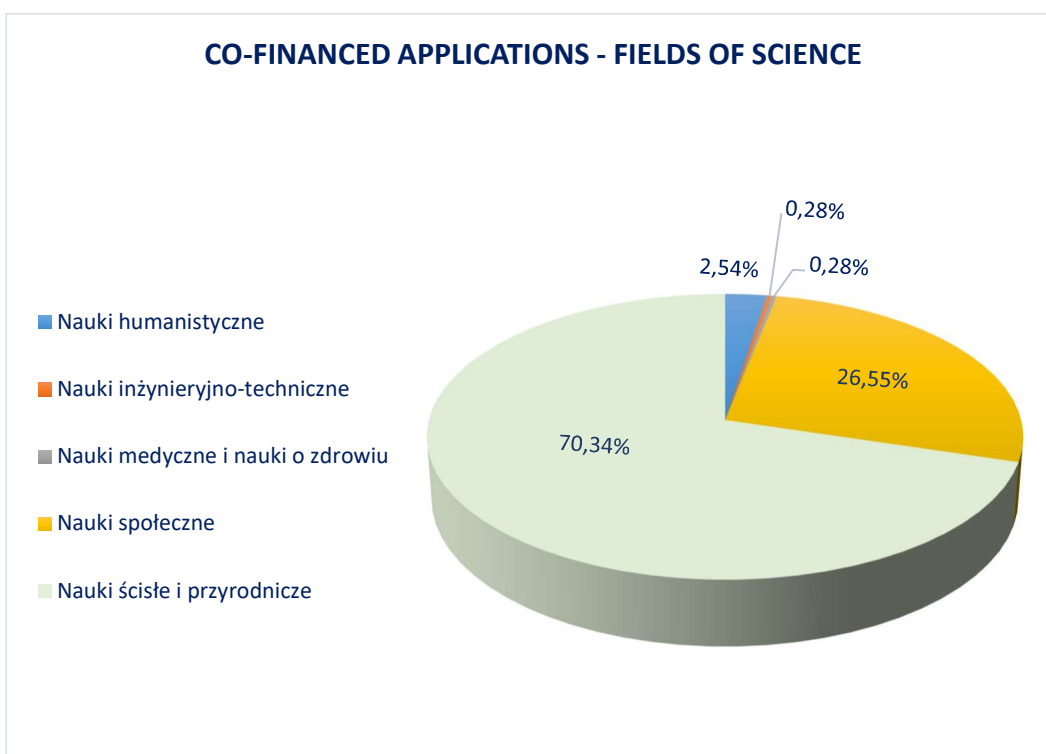
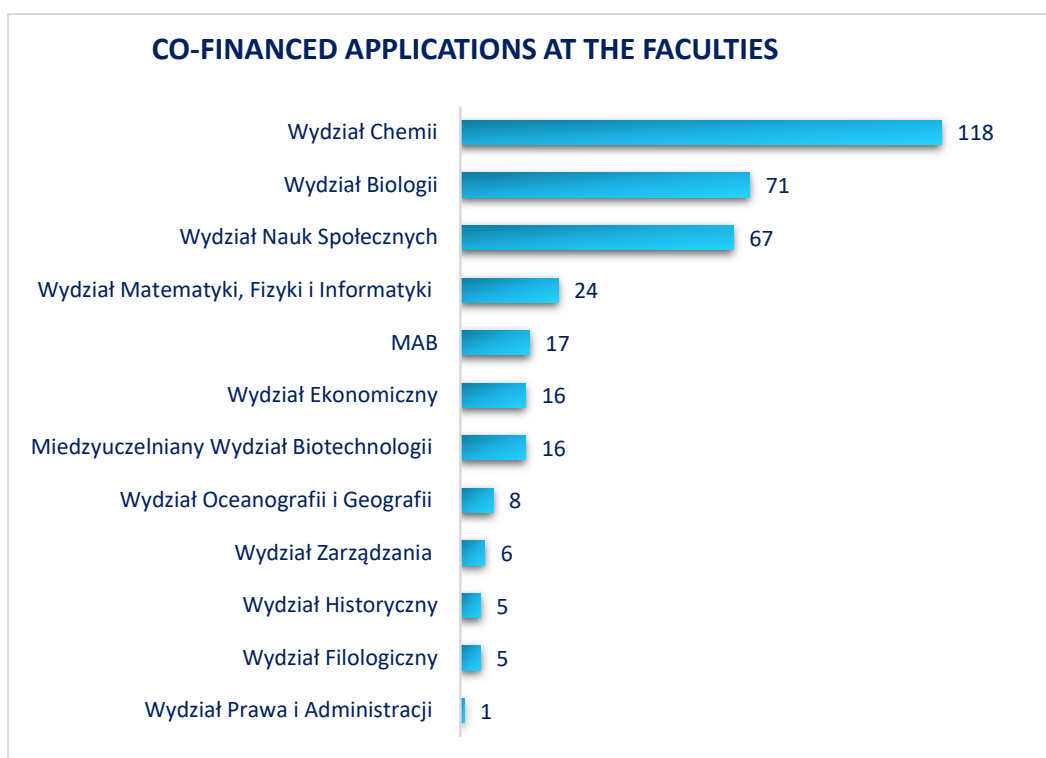
Regulation No. 40/R/20 of the Rector of the University of Gdańsk of 9 April 2020 on the creation of the on the establishment of a co-financing program for the dissemination of research results of the University of Gdańsk academic staff – “UG Publication Program”. The UG Publication Program is a system of support for the publication development of academic teachers and students of doctoral schools of the University of Gdańsk, under which you can obtain funding for the costs of publishing in prestigious journals and scientific publications, as well as the costs of publishing in open access. The main goal of the program is to improve the quality of scientific research and increase the recognition of our university in the world.

▶ **Activities under the Publication Program**

The program has been implemented since April and in 2020, 3 stages of the call for applications were carried out.

In total, 427 applications were submitted in 3 stages, of which 354 received funding.

The total amount of financial support was PLN 597 149.



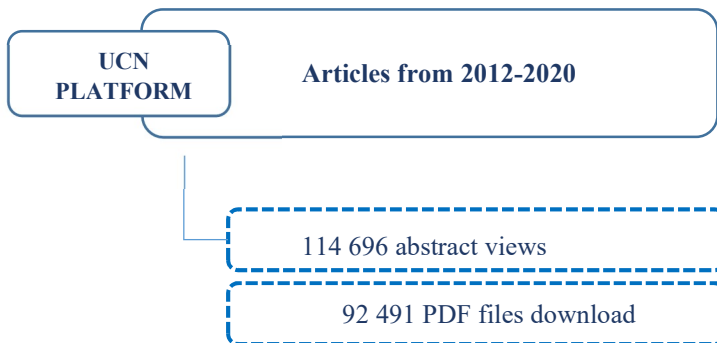
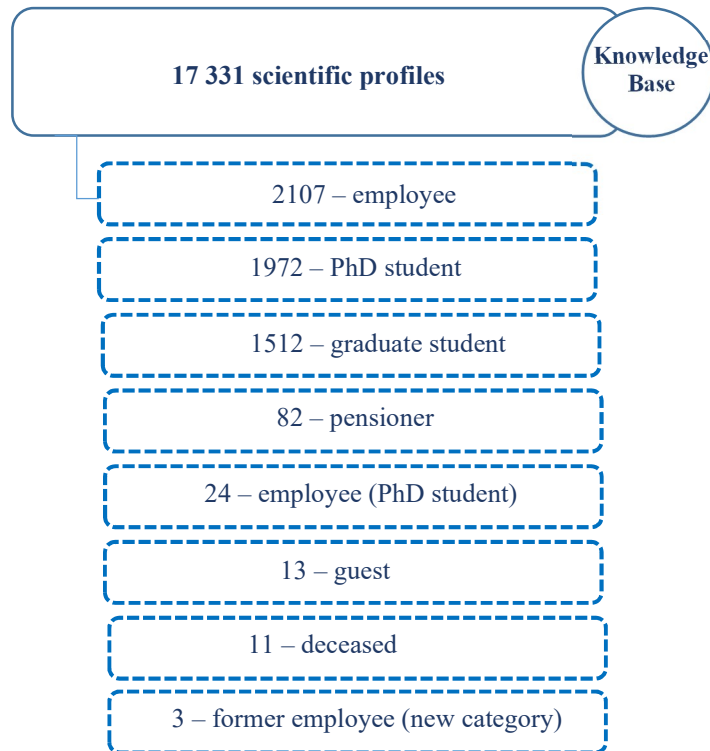
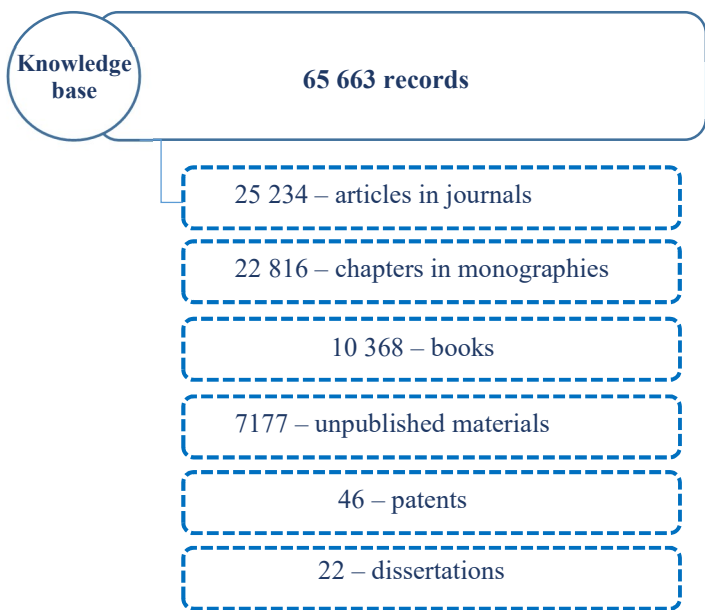
-----▶ Technical tasks

1. Coordination of the purchase and allocation of DOI numbers for University of Gdańsk journals.
2. Implementation of the agreement with Crossref Similarity Check Service on the operation of the anti-plagiarism system (in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education).
3. Update of data in the tab on the website of the Main Library of the University of Gdańsk with information on open access: <http://www.bg.ug.edu.pl/nauka/ruch-open-access>.
4. Creation of a separate area for Open Research Data on the website; substantive preparation of the attached materials <https://www.bg.ug.edu.pl/nauka/data-management-plan>.

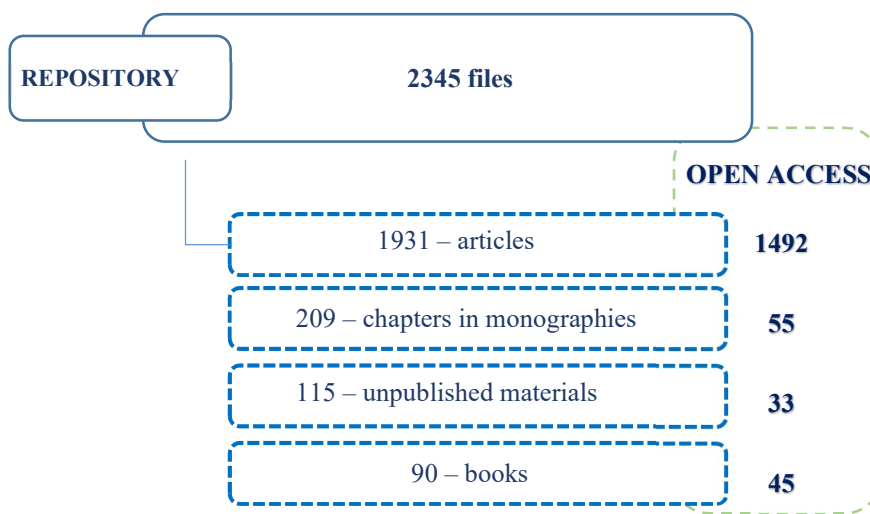
-----▶ Trainings, workshops, conferences

1. Participation in the international panel as part of the Starbios project – Responsible Research in Biosciences: Challenges for Mainstreaming – presentation on UG activity in the field of OA – Katarzyna Świerk, PhD, 29.05.2020.
2. Participation in the national OpenAIRE workshop with the presentation "The Open Access Policy of the University of Gdańsk" – Katarzyna Świerk, PhD, 08.06.2020.
3. Organizing a September workshop session for the University of Gdańsk – conducted by a representative of Elsevier – a session dedicated to employees and doctoral students of the University of Gdańsk, 4 themed sessions – conducted online twice, as well as recorded and shared on the website – topics related to the use of the Scopus database and the SciVal tool – 09.2020.
4. Conducting classes for students of the Doctoral School of the University of Gdańsk as part of the subject "Sources of scientific information": Publication strategies – Katarzyna Świerk, PhD (08.10.2020); Scientific profiles and visibility of scientific achievements – Aleksandra Jakubus, MA (30.10.2020).
5. Training in the field of research data management – conducted as part of the Bridge of Data project – training in English – Research Data Management – training addressed primarily to international employees – 27.10.2020.
6. Training on research data management – organized by ICM – 23.11.2020 – 40 participants from the University of Gdańsk.
7. Participation in the OpenAIRE workshop part. II. – Data – Katarzyna Świerk, PhD, 25.11.2020.

OA Statistics

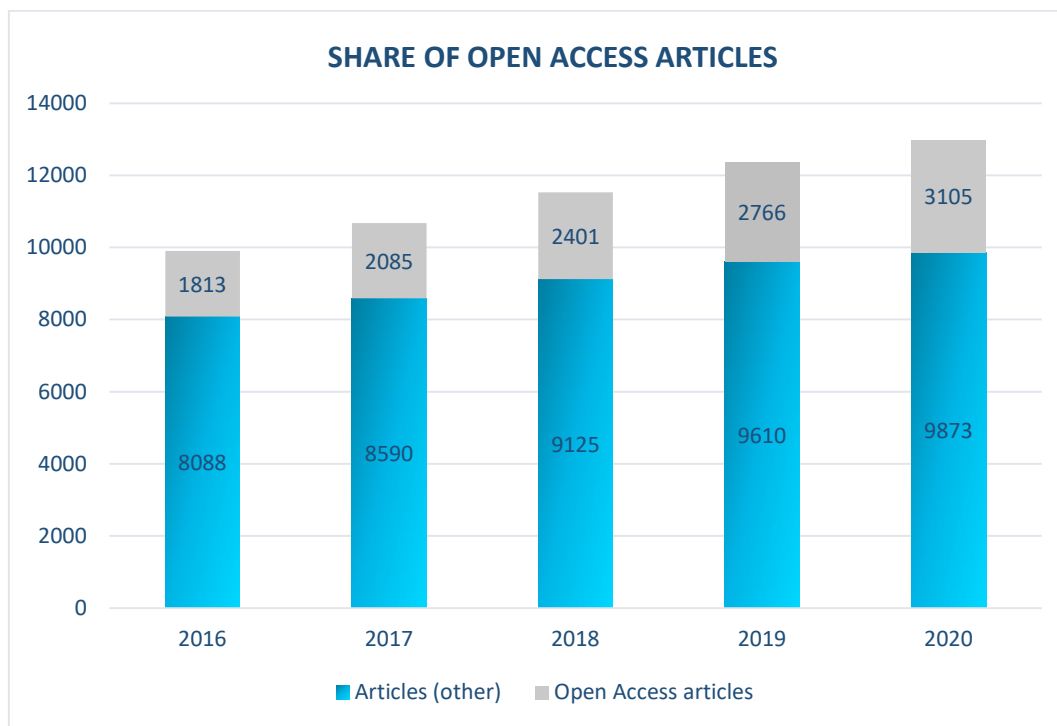


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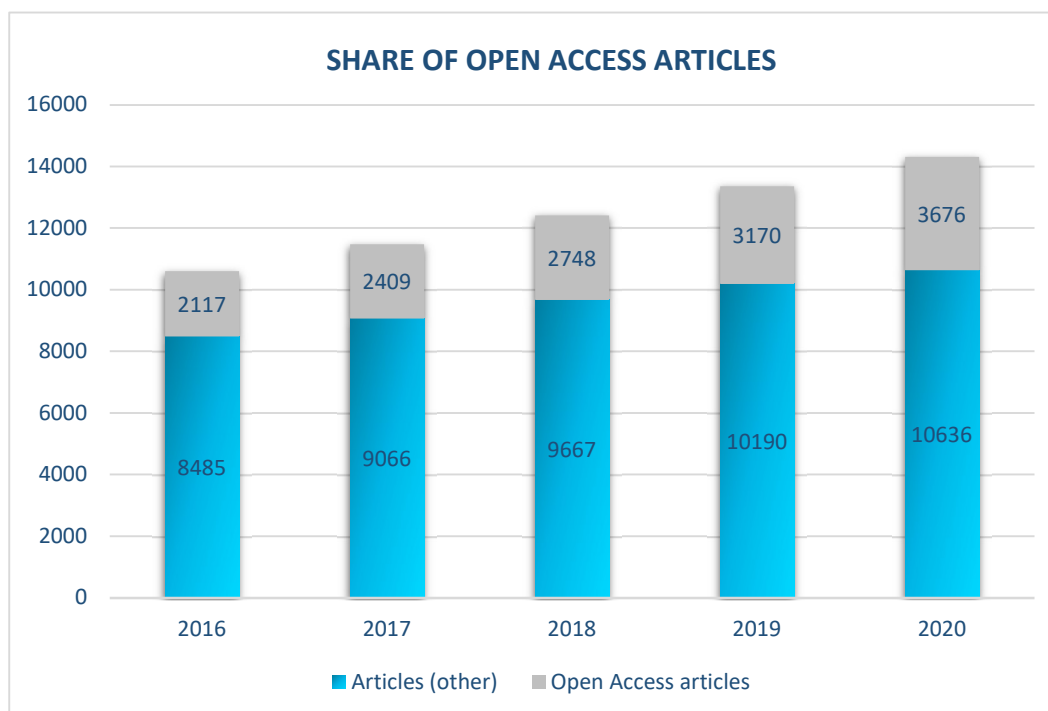
-----▶ Share of OA articles in relation to the total number of articles affiliated to UG in the two largest Journal Databases

INCITES – WEB OF SCIENCE [30.11.2020]



Year	Articles (other)	Open Access Articles	TOTAL	% share of OA articles
2016	8088	1813	9901	18%
2017	8590	2085	10675	20%
2018	9125	2401	11526	21%
2019	9610	2766	12376	22%
2020	9873	3105	12978	24%

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Year	Articles (other)	Open Access Articles	TOTAL	% share of OA articles
2016	8485	2117	10602	20%
2017	9066	2409	11475	21%
2018	9667	2748	12415	22%
2019	10190	3170	13360	24%
2020	10636	3676	14312	26%

-----▶ Plans for 2021:

1. Continuation of tasks related to the development of the UG Knowledge Base – elaborating detailed procedures and extending the functionalities related to the of evaluation of scientific achievements process.
2. Conducting training on the collection of publication data and their verification in terms of evaluation – for the chairmen of scientific discipline councils, publication strategies for students of Doctoral Schools and for research employees of the University of Gdańsk in accordance with the needs of the Faculties.
3. Continuation of the Publication Program at the University of Gdańsk.
4. Making a movie promoting OA at the UG/presentation of the UG Knowledge Base, Repository and promotion of the UG Library (depending on the availability of funds in the UG budget).

5. Preparations for the implementation of Open Data principles – continuation of the BRIDGE OF DATA project.

6. Inclusion of OA activities in the SEA-EU project.