

# Country update: Finland

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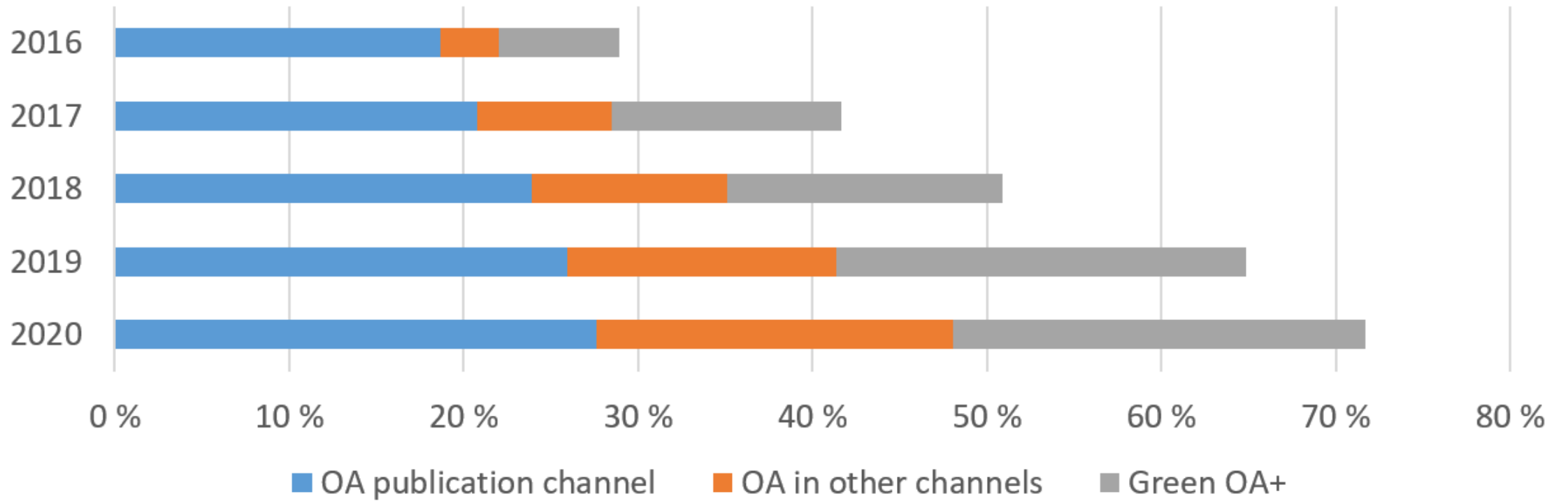
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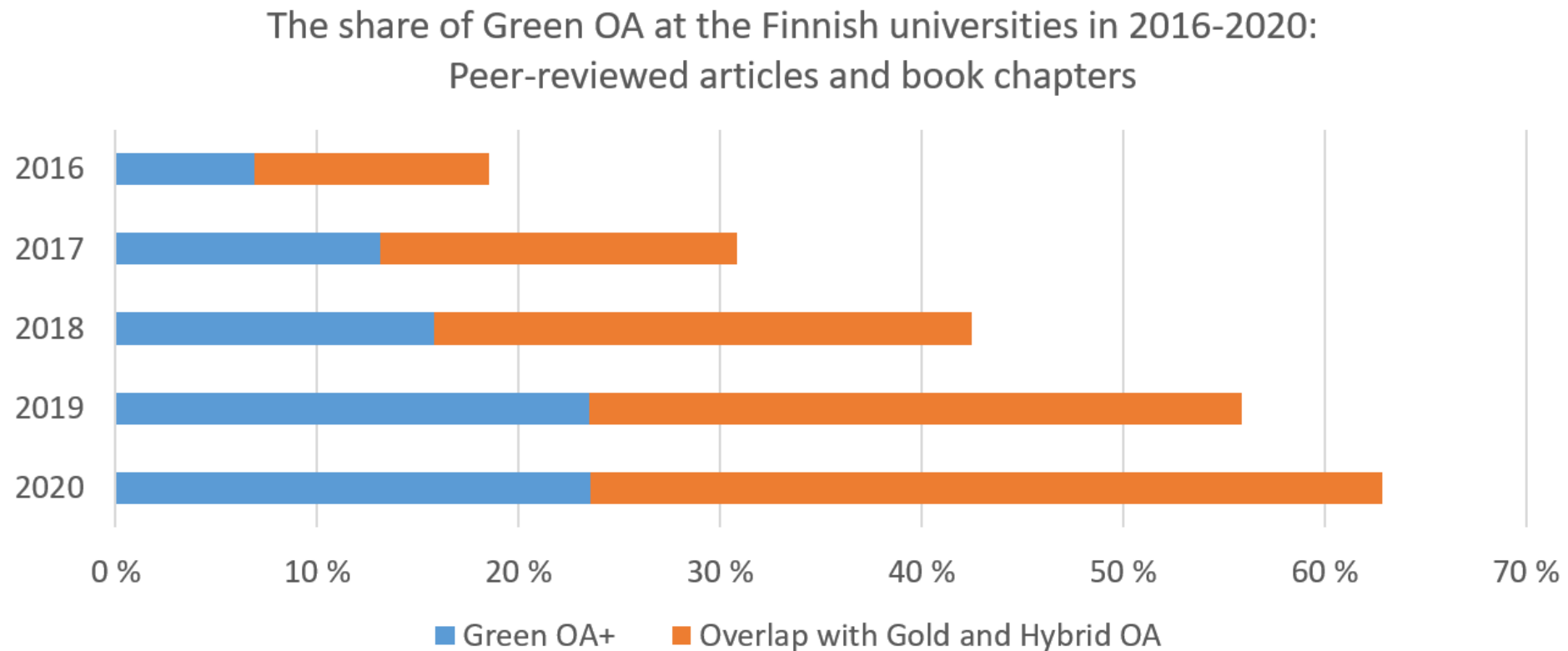
# The growth of OA continues in Finland

The share of OA at Finnish universities in 2016-2020:  
peer-reviewed articles and book chapters



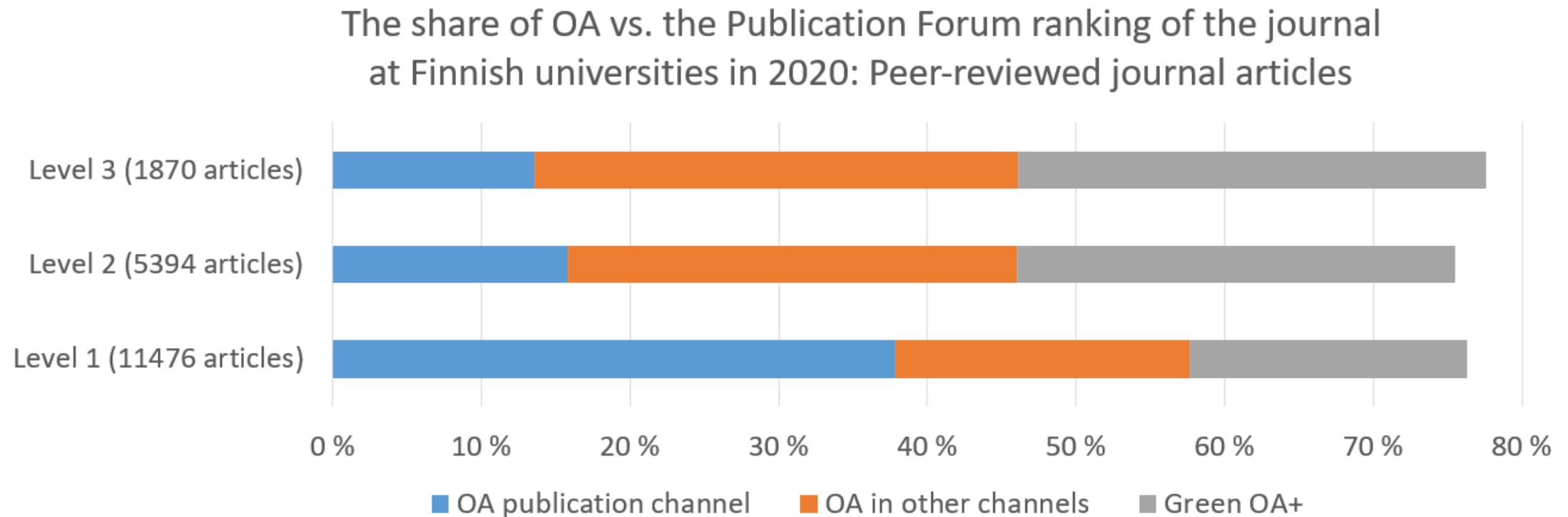
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# OA in 2020: Preliminary findings (1)



- The additional open availability provided by Green OA seems to have peaked in 2019-2020, as the growth of Gold and Hybrid OA continues

# OA in 2020: Preliminary findings (2)



- The share of articles published in OA journals is highest at Publication Forum level 1
- Hybrid and Green OA have a bigger impact for articles published in highly-rated journals (levels 2-3)

# Plan S in Finland

- All new projects funded by the Academy of Finland after Jan 1, 2021 [will be required to make their results openly available according to the Plan S guidelines](#)
  - The home organizations are expected to fund all OA costs centrally from the overheads of the grants
  - APCs can no longer be funded directly from the project budget
- Academy of Finland has been receptive to feedback from Finnish research organizations and scholarly publishers
  - There has been a dialogue with repository managers about the Plan S technical guidelines (see also [Practical advice](#) at the Coalition S web site)
  - The Academy will accept publications in domestic journals that allow only their peer-reviewed content to be made openly available

# OA news from the FinELib consortium

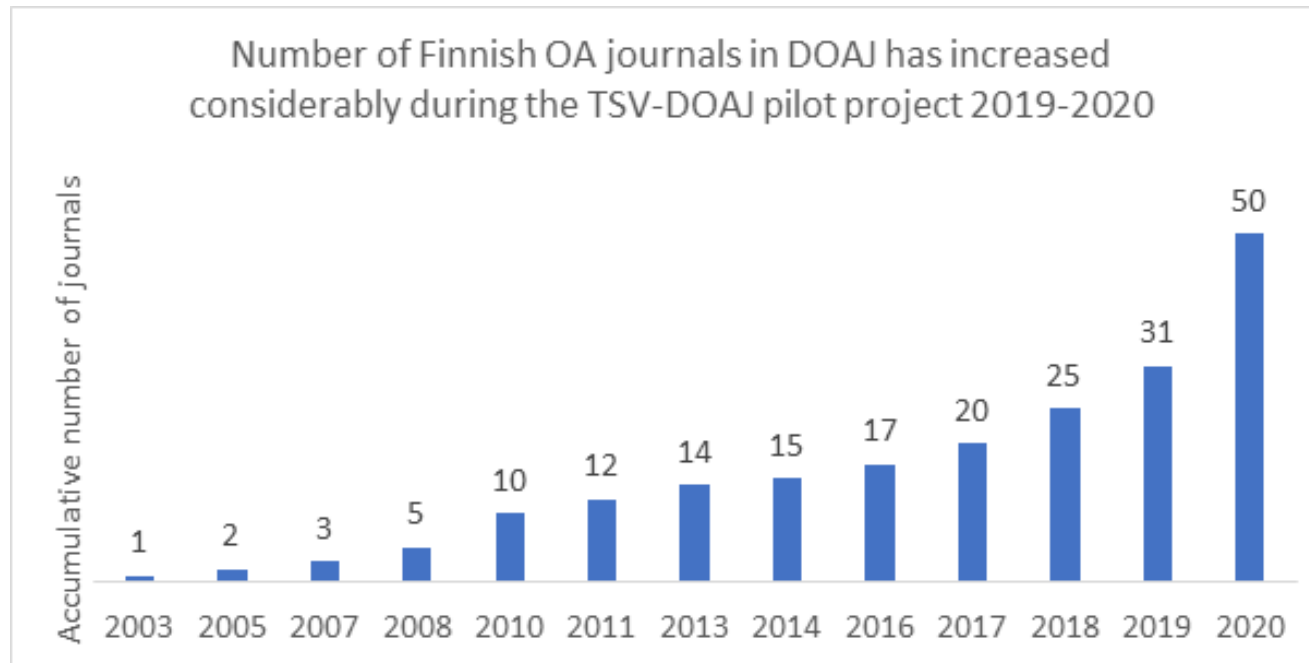
- **Transformative agreements:** Currently, FinELib has transformative agreements in place with 8 publishers and is in the process of negotiating with 3 more publishers.
  - A brief summary [available in English](#)
  - This year, the number of OA articles published under FinELib's transformative agreements is expected to grow to 5000.
- **APC project:** Final report of the FinELib's APC project published in 2/2021.
  - Executive Summary [available in English](#)
- **Full OA project 2019-**
  - Gaining experience and improving our understanding of the workings of OA publishers
  - Negotiating deals
  - Establishing a set of criteria and guidelines for FinELib's future dealings and agreements with OA publishers as well as with providers of OA infrastructure and services.

# National Open Science co-ordination

- The Federation of Finnish Learned Societies is [co-ordinating the national Open Science efforts](#), including
- **National guidelines for OA books**
  - A new working group is developing national guidelines for OA books
  - Includes representatives from the publisher side, researchers from various fields and specialists from research organizations
- **Funding model for the domestic OA journals**
  - The funding model proposed by the Kotilava project in 2017 didn't receive wide enough support from potential funders
  - A new national working group with representatives from various stakeholder organizations launched in February 2021
  - The working group aims to come up with a preliminary proposal (or at least a list of options) for evaluation by summer 2021

# Finnish journals in DOAJ

- [A joint pilot project](#) of Federation of Finnish Learned Societies (TSV) and DOAJ ended in 2020



- According to [a recent publication](#), in 2020 there were 336 peer-reviewed publication channels in Finland - 177 of these were identified as OA channels



# Nordic List Plus

- Joint project application by national stakeholders from several Nordic countries
  - CSC - IT Center for Science, Norwegian Centre for Research Data, National Library of Sweden, Universities Norway, Federation of Finnish Learned Societies
- Nordic List Plus is an information infrastructure and a shared web tool for all Nordic researchers and research organizations for searching and choosing reliable OA publishing channels
  - Integrates the existing authorized databases on scholarly publication channels (journals, series, conferences, and book publishers) in Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden
  - The novel innovative feature of the Nordic List Plus is that it will allow all Nordic researchers to check their OA publishing options based on
    1. National "read and publish" deals with publishers
    2. Research funder mandates such as Plan S
    3. Reliable information on Open Access status and self-archiving policies