

On the gold road to OA

Benefits from SOAP for the Helmholtz Association

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HELMHOLTZ ASSOCIATION

- contributes to solving grand challenges with cutting-edge research
- developing and operating complex infrastructure and large-scale facilities for the national and international scientific community
- creating wealth for society and industry by knowledge transformation and innovation

OPEN ACCESS IN HELMHOLTZ

- 2003: signing of the *Berlin Declaration*
- 2004: recommendation by the Assembly of Members
- 2005: start of the Helmholtz OA project
- 2006: establishment of a coordination office
- since 2008: priority initiative *Digitale Information*

FOUR WORK PACKAGES

- awareness
- green OA (repositories)
- **gold OA (journals)**
- OA to research data

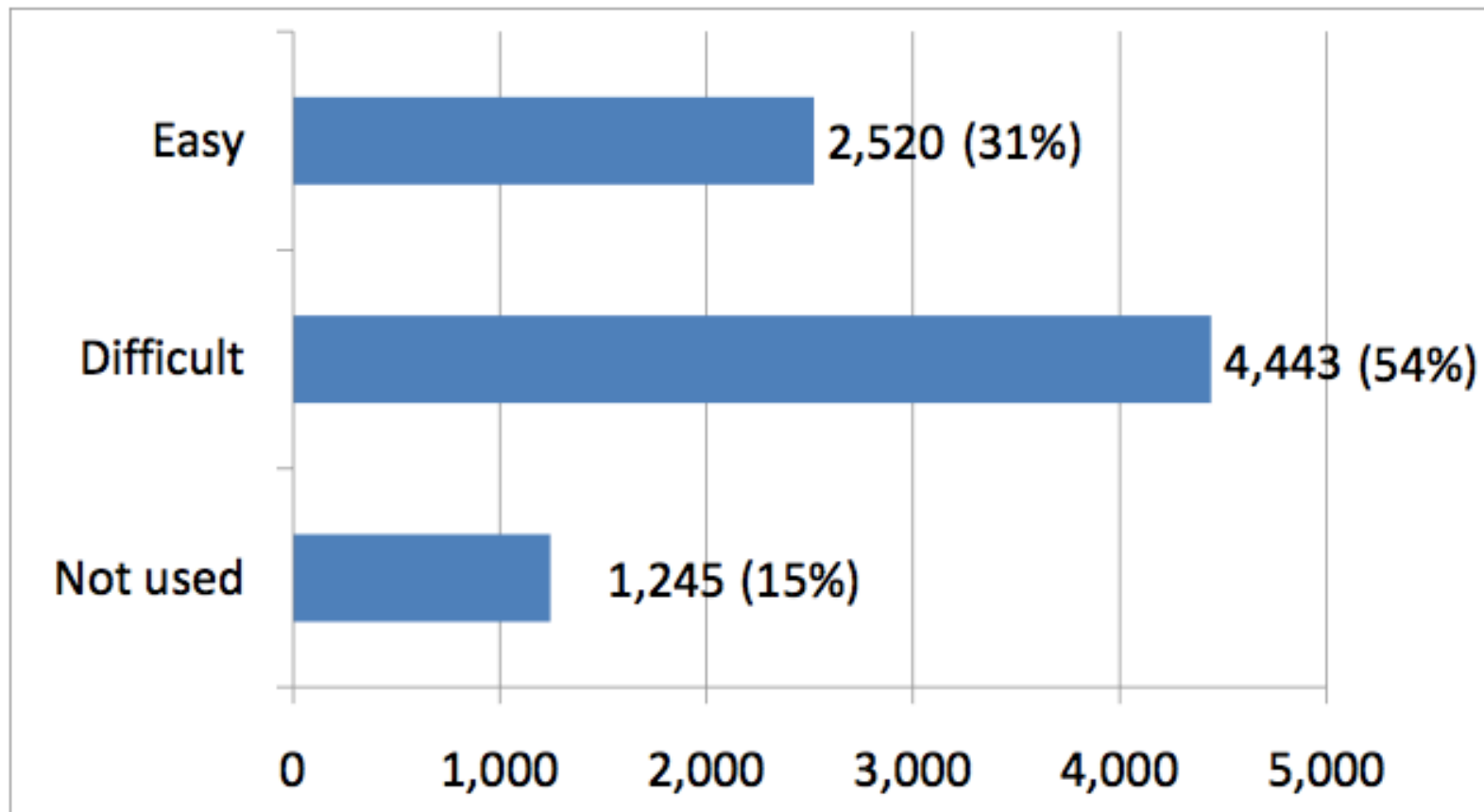
GOLD OA IN HELMHOLTZ

- founders and editors of OA journals
- cooperation with Springer
- single contracts with APS, IOP, et al.
- partner in SCOAP3
- institutional publishing
- building a gold OA strategy

THE SOAP RESULTS...

- have translated „feelings“ in „facts“
- allow us a detailed insight into OA publishing
- provide a detailed insight into scientists' views

How easy was it to obtain funds?



Preliminary

source: Dallmeier-Tiessen, S. et al. (2010): First results of the SOAP Project. Talk at COASP. Prague. <http://edoc.mpg.de/493109>

SCIENTIST'S WISHLIST

- What actions should the Helmholtz Association implement to promote gold OA?
 - >> central budget for OA fees
 - >> bonus for scientists, who are publishing gold OA
 - >> granting of funds with OA obligation

source: internal communications with Helmholtz OA editors

THE SOAP RESULTS...

- give us a good basis for the further development of our gold OA strategy
- give us a useful basis for further dialog with publishers

THANK YOU

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