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- [Horizon Europe Programme Guide](#)
- UKRO article: [Open Access Requirement for Scientific Publications in Horizon Europe](#)
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