New ways of working together with library consortia

ALPSP Networking: Society Publishers
Accelerating Open Access & Plan S
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To advance excellence in the chemical sciences
Chemistry research articles

2017: published papers all RSC journals

China 39%
United States Of America 11%
UK 6%
India 5%
Japan 4%
Germany 4%
South Korea 4%
Spain 2%
France 3%
Canada 2%
Other 20%

Number of articles by country in List F - JCR chemistry categories
44 Journals

3 fully Gold OA

5.7k articles fully Gold OA journals (17%)

41 hybrid journals

1.7k Gold OA articles in hybrid journals (4.9%)

34k articles

27k subscription articles in hybrid journals (78%)

1 APC paid

2 APC waived

Chemical Science
(1,009 articles)

Nanoscale Advances
(First issues in 2019)

RSC Advances
(4,671 articles)
Royal Society of Chemistry’s Obligations

• Be compliant with: “We want to shape OA publishing in the chemical sciences, as well as to support and inform our community during the transition to a more open research environment”  Dr Emma Wilson, Director of Publishing

• Offer a sustainable and affordable model to support the transition

• Combine reading and open access in a transparent way
Transformative models (Read & Publish)

Developed in partnership with customers

As more customers join R&P and authors publish OA, the Reading Fee decreases (assuming the RSC has the same publishing output)

It's getting crowded around the negotiation table

Past

Subscription agreements

Library

Consortia

Publisher

Present

Transformative agreements

Library

Publisher

Researcher

Funder

Consortia

Head of Universities

Royal Society of Chemistry
• Be knowledgeable: Review your own customer data and run the model for each consortia (PlanS signatory countries first), even where you don't have an agreement.

• Be ahead: Analyse the known data from other transformative agreements and don’t just read press releases:
  • ESAC Agreement Registry
  • Open Access NL
  • Look up disclosed agreements!

• Be proactive not reactive: Prioritize countries!

• Be accountable: Invest in workflows and make them part of agreements.

• Be persistent: Don’t let anyone go away with 'time issues' and keep record. (This might be useful for any future Plan S compatibility.)

• Be mindful: Don’t just send the offer. Always align web-meeting with the possibility to deliver background information.

• Be consistent: Don’t give in to too many consortia specific contractual or workflow requests. Hold on to your concept as you will get lost otherwise.

• Be flexible: Don’t just go for the one fits all offer.

• Be consequent: Don’t close for the sake of closing. Step away from deals.

Best practise from RSC perspective

This is all very time consuming!!
Read & Publish in 2019

Over 70 customers in 11 countries
Thank you

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