Open Access: Business models

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What is Open Access (OA)?

Philosophy

- The international effort to promote unrestricted access to scientific knowledge.
- The Berlin Declaration (BD) was launched in October 2003 to ensure the free and unrestricted access of everyone to the results of scientific research and to the cultural heritage of mankind.

Funding model

The process of transforming OA philosophy in a sustainable publishing model.

OA and CERN

- CERN already makes papers available online for free, copyright permitting.
- Invent the World Wide Web 15 years ago.
- Grid Computing.
- BD signed by R. Aymar (May 2004) formal support for open access.
- PLoS invitation to CERN authors to summit in PLoS Medicine journal.

Modes of OA

Modes	Description	Example	
E-print repository	Authors deposit pre-prints and/or post prints in OA repository.	ArXiv.org; Spires; CDS- CERN	
All free OA	No authors, no readers fee. On-line only.	Living Reviews of Solar Physics (M. Planck Inst.) Former JHEP	
Partial OA	Some articles in an issue are OA.	Many publishers use this for promoting a journal to a wider audience.	
Per capita country	OA made available to country based on per capita income.	IOP	
Paid OA	"New" publishing paradigm (business models): Authors pay to publish. Readers have free access to these works.	Springer Open Choice IOP (New journal of Physics) PLoS	

Business models of OA journals

Name	Description	Example
Hybrid model	A journal publishes articles in both subscription and OA model.	Springer Open Choice (not yet implemented)
	Determination of subscription fee depends on the number of OA articles.	
Authors' fee model	Authors/institution pay fee to be published.	IOP – NJP (New journal of physics)
Authors' fee + institutional membership model	Authors/institution pay fee to be published. The authors' fee is determinate by the different membership levels.	PLoS – Medicine

Our exercise

To transpose identified OA Business Models to some of the CERN library subscribed titles: What would they mean in financial terms for CERN? What would be an estimated expenditure for CERN?

Ours examples

- (1) Hyperfine Interactions in Springer Open choice model = **Determination** of the subscription fee
- (2) JHEP in IOP- NJP Model = Application of authors fee model
- (3) PLoS = Authors fee + institutional membership model

Data

Usage statistics.

OA publication and subscription fees.

Impact factors.

Total of articles published by CERN authors.

Hyperfine Interactions in Springer Open Choice model = **Determination of the subscription fee**

FT downloads 2002-2003 = 618

FT corresponding to CERN authors arts. = 226

FT corresponding to Non CERN authors arts. =329

NA = 63

IF = 5.333

Most of the CERN authors from PH, AB and ISOLDE Collaboration.

Publication fee per article = 3690 CHF.

Subscription fee = is based in number of articles into subscription model in the previous 12 months against the 12 months period before. The calculation depends to the number of articles published on the "subscription model"

	Total published articles in HI	CERN authors articles	Total articles under Subscription model	Estimated subscription fee	CERN Estimated Publication Expenditure	CERN total Estimated Expenditure
2000	255	22	233	3381	81180	84561
2001	330	14	316	4740	51660	56400
2002	213	0	213	3195		3195
2003	129	5	124	1860	18450	20310

JHEP in IOP- NJP Model = Application of authors fee model

NJP

Current Authors' fee OA

Publication fee per article: 884 CHF

JHEP

former All free OA

Total arts. published by CERN authors (1999-2003) = 248

Most of CERN authors belong to PH/TH.

Publis.	Title	Articles published by CERN authors 1999-2003	Subscr. Fee 2004	FT Download 2003	Impact factor 2002
Elsevier	Physics letters B	652	13782.57	7766	4.298
Elsevier	Nuclear physics B: Particle physics. Field theory and statistical systems. Physical mathematics	595	21429.53	3150	5.409
Springer	European physical journal C : Particles and fields	276	6203.83	945	6.162
IOP	Journal of High Energy Physics	248	1328.40	731	6.854
AIP	Physics review D : Particles, fields, gravitation, and cosmology	164 (data for '00-04)	5342.00	2067	4.358
IOP	Journal of physics G: Nuclear and particle physics	67	3399.78	922	1.399

JHEP in IOP- NJP Model = Application of authors fee model

Year	Total articles published in JHEP by CERN authors	Estimated publishing expenditure: fee is shared with co-authors institutions	Estimated publishing expenditure: fee is not shared with co-authors institutions
2003	61	21669	53924
2002	50	23875	44200
2001	64	25162	56576
2000	45	22649	39780
1999	28	15176	24752
1998	13	6042	11492
1997	3	2063	2652

"The results from these two journals (JHEP and NJP) indicate to us that this type of open access model is not sustainable for physics journals in the current environment. However the internet and electronic publishing have delivered huge benefits to science and scientists in terms of ease of access to information. Future developments in software and tools will bring further improvements. We believe that it is important to continue to experiment with innovative approaches to electronic publishing."

House of Commons, Science and Technology - Tenth Report - APPENDIX 132 Supplementary evidence from the Institute of Physics April 2004

PLoS = Authors' fee + institutional membership model

Institutional Membership level	Annual Institutional membership fee	Author fee	Cost for 10 articles	Estimated total expenditure for CERN
No member	0	1845	18450	18647
Active member	2460	1661	16610	19070
Participating member	6150	1476	14760	20910
Promoting member	12300	1292	12920	25200
Sponsoring member	30750	1107	11070	41820
Sustaining member	61500	923	9230	70730
Championing member	123000	461	4610	127610

Institutional membership recalculate by year ...a new "subscription fee"?

To be continued...

- Looking forward a sustainable model...
- Copyright...
- Authors opinions...
- Internals decision: who pays? (budget distribution depts./groups); Administrative steps? ...
- Quality of science : Peer review...