Open Access Publishing at the Tipping Point
What’s changing and where do we go from here?

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Background

- OA publishers lacked a voice in public debates about scholarly communications and Open Access
- Open Access had become an established part of the publishing landscape; it was time to address practical issues
- Need to develop uniform standards and best practices
- Need to bring together the Open Access publishing community
- Need to share information and work collectively
- OASPA represents both professional publishing organizations as well as scholar publishers and welcomes other organizations whose work supports OA publishing.
OASPA Mission

To support and represent the interests of Open Access (OA) journal publishers globally in all scientific, technical, and scholarly disciplines.

To accomplish this mission, the association will:

- Exchange information
- Set standards
- Advance models
- Advocate for OA publishing
- Educate
- Promote innovation
Signs of the tipping point
Discursive Shifts

- Arguments for open access are changing
- Open access publishing now established as an accepted part of the publishing landscape
- Green vs. Gold moving to Green + gold
Growth in OA

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Growth in OA articles: BMC, PLoS and Hindawi

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Large number of legacy publishers now engaging in OA publishing
What now?
Support the conversation on transitioning to open access publishing/introducing open access publishing

- Providing practical help and information to better assist these publishers in introducing and/or transitioning to OA publishing models.
- Share best practices and standards
Retain definition

- Retaining the definition of OA journals publishing
  - Licensing practices
  - Standards
  - The core of scientific communication
OPEN ACCESS

= Free Access + Re-use
Creative Commons Licenses

Most common:

- Attribution 3.0 (CCBY or CCAL)
- Attribution-Noncommercial 3.0 (CCBY-NC)
Demonstrate value of re-use

- OASPA working group
- Engage with third parties & other stakeholders
Build infrastructure

Continue to build infrastructure together with other stakeholders

- DOAJ
- Payment systems
  - Survey, Open Access Key, Consortia, Subjects beyond STM
- Linking to data
- Preservation solutions
- Deposition practices
- ORCID
- Impact evaluation tools/metrics
  - Working group
THANK YOU!

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