In order to advance a just, trustworthy, scalable, and sustainable open knowledge ecosystem, make open, more equitable scholarship our lead purpose.

Our Vision for a Sustainable OA Monograph Solution

**Open, open, open model:**
- open content
- hosted on open platforms
- distributed in open channels

Our Priorities

**Establish a fair cost model**

**Simplify the publishing relationship**

**Increase publishing opportunities**

**Increase OA publications within our membership**

**Remove as much friction as possible for our authors**

We consider ourselves equal partners with publishers in the transition to open, and as such we share both the risk of that investment as well as the benefit when the investment succeeds. We insist that our agreements reflect this principle.

Our Negotiating Model: Values-centered (inspired by OA2020)

Our 2022-2023 agreement with Wiley largely met these goals. In the pilot year (2022), BTAA open articles in Wiley journals increased from 19% to over 60% in one year.

All open access, with no fees (i.e. APCs) to lead authors for publishing in all journals under the publisher’s umbrella, with the administrative burden on authors completely removed: “In all of the publisher’s titles, no fees, no caps, no limits, no hassle; authors keep rights in their own work under a CC license; immediately open and available to anyone.”

All workflow and labor to be handled by the publisher, with no additional work, review, or touches by library staff.

No increased cost. Libraries to pay no more than they would have in a traditional agreement given the pricing trends of recent years.

Strong provisions built around a frame of meaningful, mutually accountable objectives for:
- Structured conversation on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in editing and publishing
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A shift in our collective investment model enabled our investments in open infrastructure open content in 2022.

**Pilot project: Big Ten Open Books**

This collection, a collaboration of libraries and six university presses, launched in June 2022 and is available at bigtenopenbooks.org.

**Next steps recommendation:**

Forming a working group for coordination of our open scholarship strategies.

- **NEW FUNDS PUT INTO THE OA SYSTEM:** $2.3M USD
- **EXISTING FUNDS REDIRECTED TO OA:** $1.2M USD

The tabs above represent companies and organizations with whom we have made “all-university, all-Alliance” collective action investments, contracts, or agreements in 2022 & 2023.

~2M publications since 2000

over 100K+ publications annually

50% are made open every year

18% are open at the time of publication