



Development of A Sustainable Open Access Market

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The Publishing Landscape and Open Access

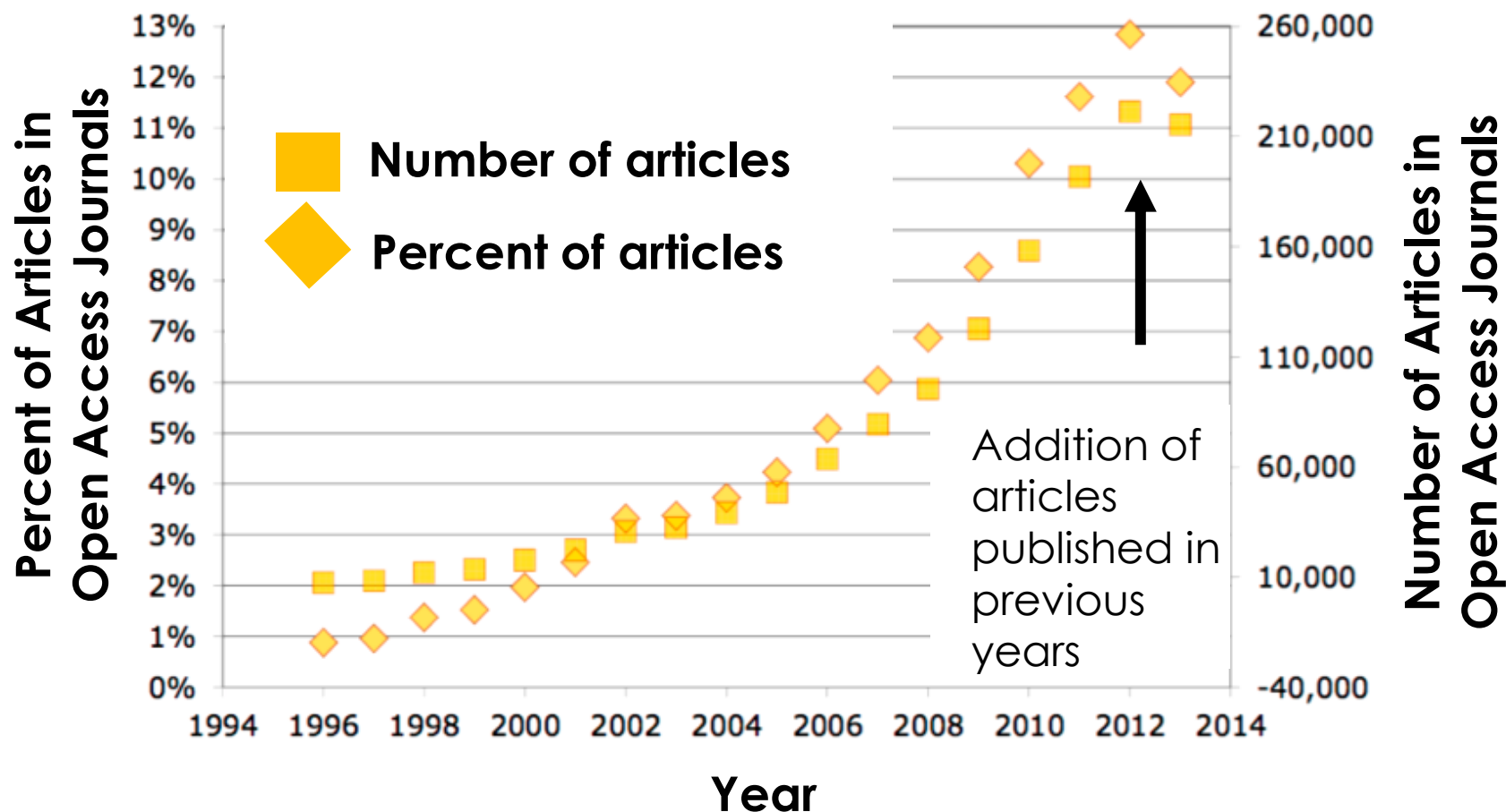
OA in the STM Journal Market

- STM journal publishing revenue estimated at \$9.7 billion in 2015*
- OA journal revenue estimated at \$305.5 million in 2015, 3.2% of STM publishing market*
- Gold OA share of STM research article output in 2015 is 13.85%**
- All OA ~20% of STM market output in 2015*

*Open Access Journal Publishing 2016-2020 (Simba International, October 2016)

**Web of Knowledge Science Citation Index

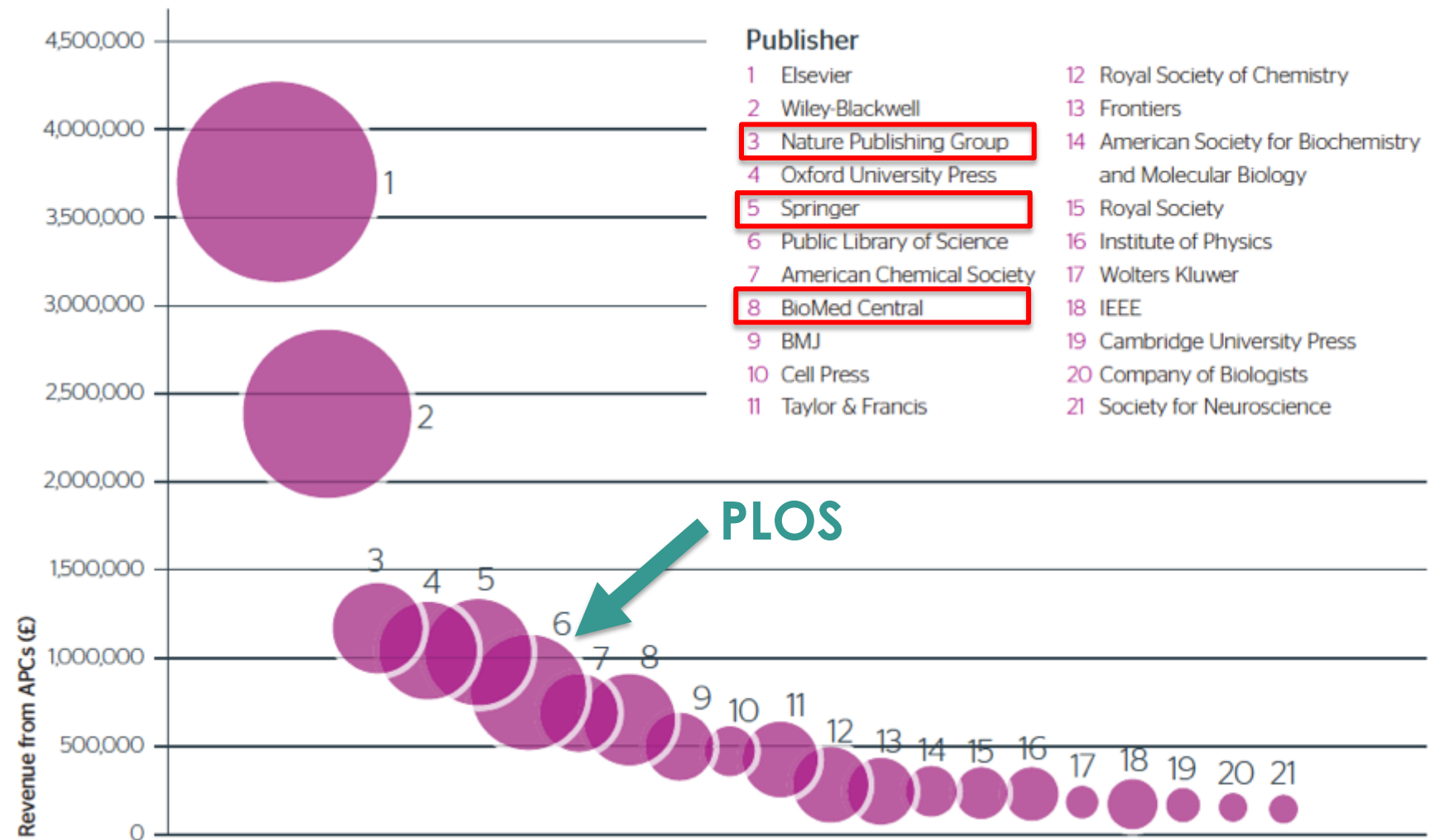
Rising Share of Open Access STM Articles



Source: Archambault 2014

Elsevier is the largest-grossing publisher from APCs, with nearly a quarter of the market share

Publisher APC Market Share (UK) Aug 2014-July 2015



APC Pricing Distribution UK Institutions 2014-2015

251 APCs per institution (11-1,600)

**Total = 10,762 APCs from 2014-2015
(Jisc TCO, RCUK, COAF)**

Average APC of £1,745 for 2014-2015

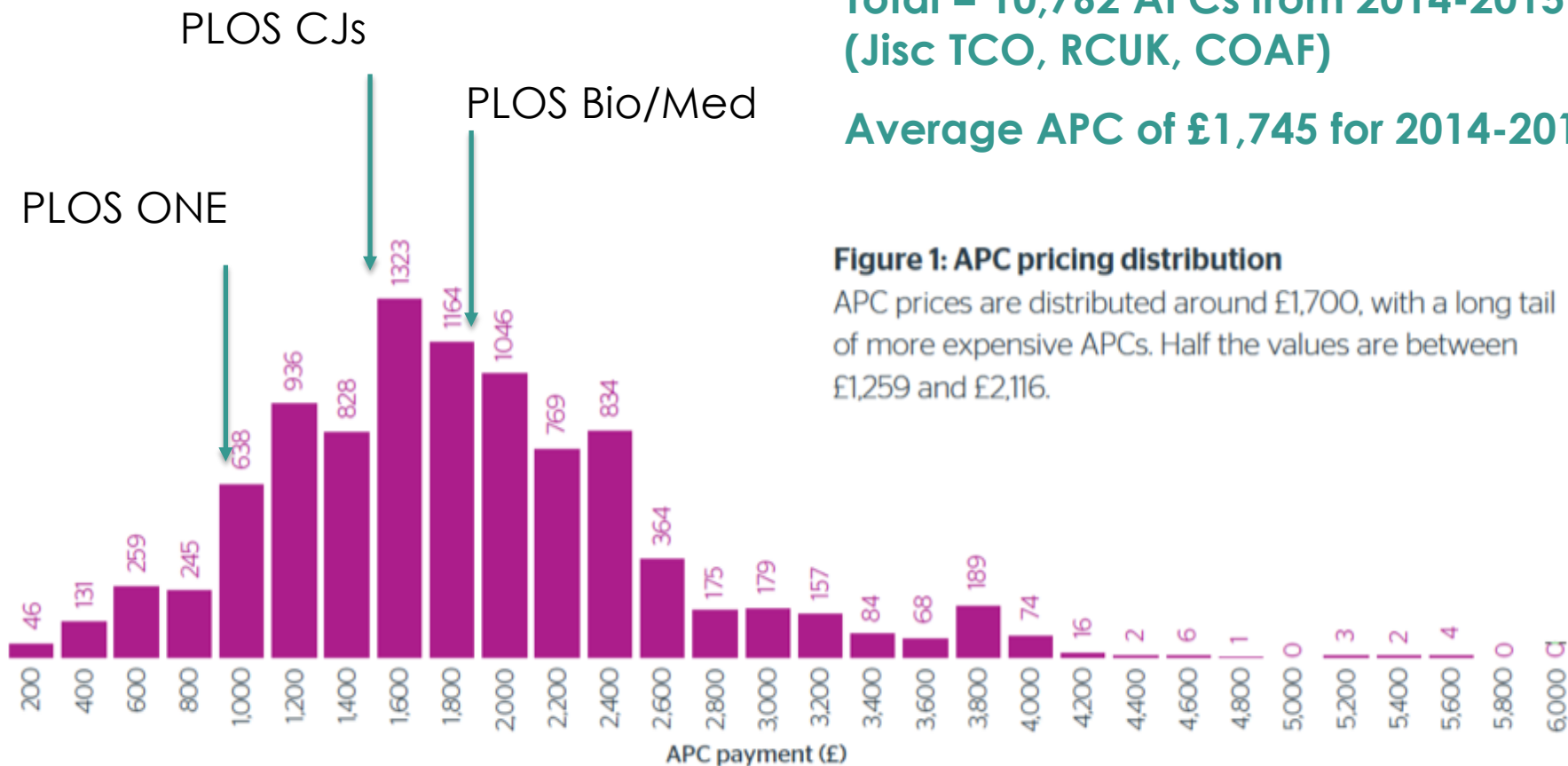


Figure 1: APC pricing distribution

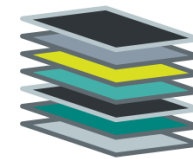
APC prices are distributed around £1,700, with a long tail of more expensive APCs. Half the values are between £1,259 and £2,116.

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Unique DOIs	6,860,580
Employment activities	929,758
Employment to unique organizations	288,974
Education activities	1,110,968
Education at unique organizations	191,022
Funding activities	201,048
Funding from unique organizations	62,632

Statistics as of: 09-09-2016

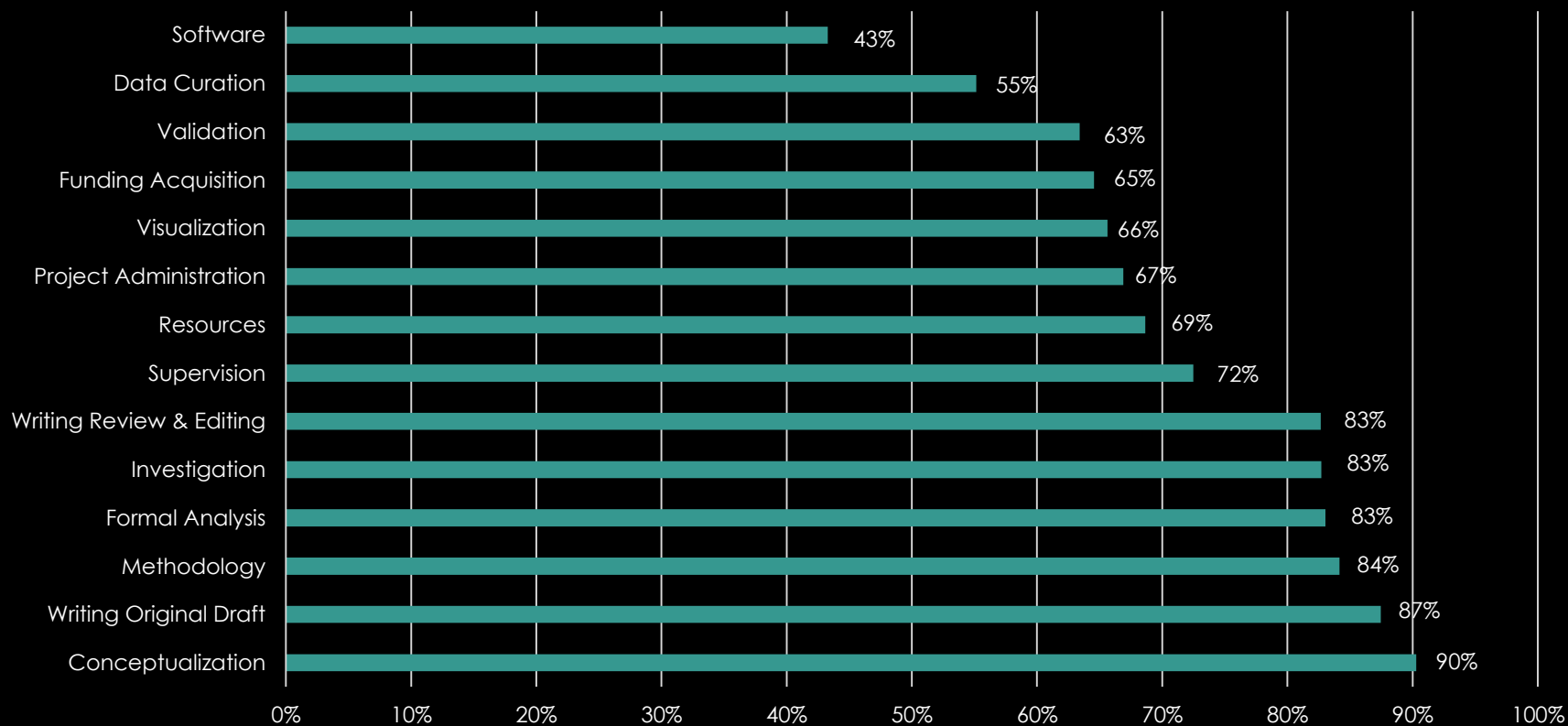


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