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Some personal take-aways:

5 facts and 1 conclusion (out of dozens of possibilities) and 1 thing not talked about much

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1. Research publications by Chinese scholars (and others for whom English is not their first language) in international outlets has accelerated dramatically in the last 3-5 years.

2. Scholars new to international publishing need special assistance, but all scholars still need assistance at various levels (systems, services).

3. The percentage of new articles published in various open access venues is increasing exponentially worldwide (reasons?? mandates or beliefs or impact factor or audience or altmetrics?).

4. Many academics are confused by concepts or terms such as open access and altmetrics, but want to publish in and read things that are of high quality, they trust, and are easily accessible.

5. Collaboration and connections are key to scholarship from the beginning of an idea, through publication, and deposit/curation of data.

Leading to my conclusion...

There are new/important/expanded roles for publishers **and libraries** in assisting scholars with the scholarly communication process at all stages-
-partners in the community of scholars.

One thing not mentioned much...

- Although many scholars may not care much about business models (until they can't get access due to budget cuts in their library), an important driver for OA is/will be the desire to do text mining across a broad body of literature.