

# **Commercial Publishers in the world of Total Access**

(an inside view)

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# the language of science

- Merger between Springer Verlag and Kluwer Academic Publishers
- 1,150 STM journals in 12 (Online) Libraries on Springer Link
- 3,500 4,000 new book titles per year
- 2,000 + employees world wide
- Offices in: New York, Boston, London, Dordrecht, Heidelberg, Berlin, Vienna, Paris, Milano, New Delhi, Hong Kong, Tokyo



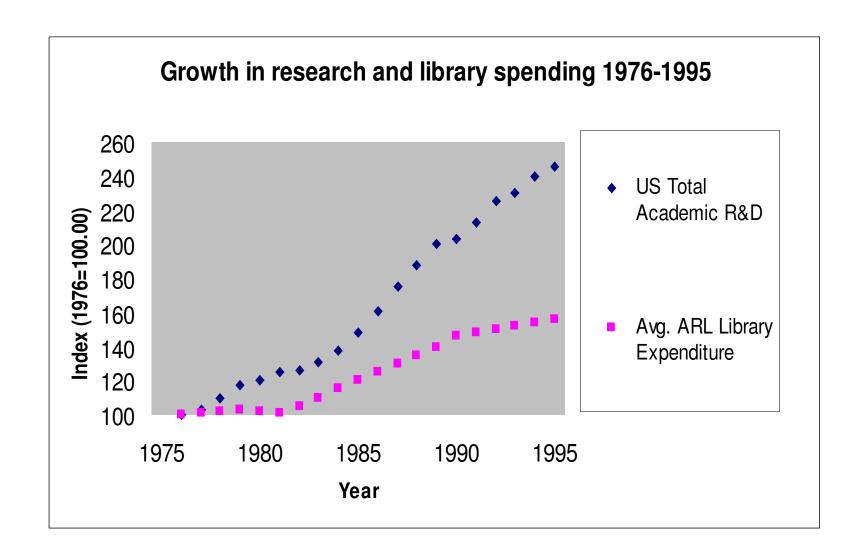
• New Springer = New Policies

- What is strategy based on?
  - Journals
  - Books
- What problem are we solving?



- The history of Journal publishing
  - Journal model fine as organizing principle
  - Consistent growth in scientific research
  - Paper delivery increasingly inefficient
  - Issues with price & visibility







# As of 1995: Electronic publishing

- Technology matured
- Penetration increased
- Product line expanded
- Usage exploded
- Customer interaction

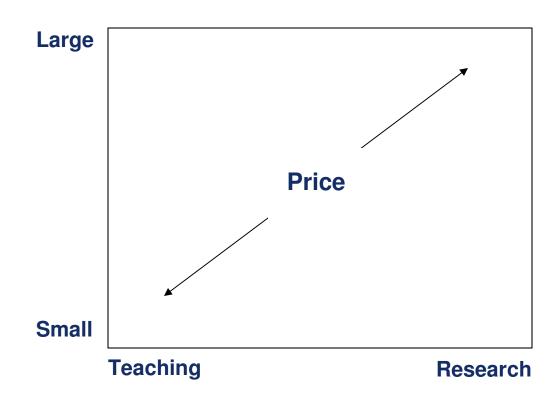


#### **Business model**

- Initially electronic pricing built on paper spend
- More for the same
- Unit costs falling
- Longer term agreements
- Increasingly value based: differential pricing



# Library customers and the database licensing model





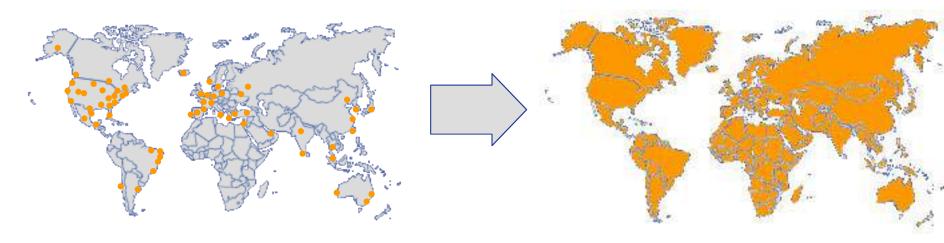
## Some benefits of the developments in the business model

- Lower overall costs for libraries
  - Storage
  - Cataloging
  - ILL
  - Photocopying
- Some traditional library services have become the responsibility of publishers
  - Archiving
  - Search
  - Fulfillment



## **End goal: Unlimited access**

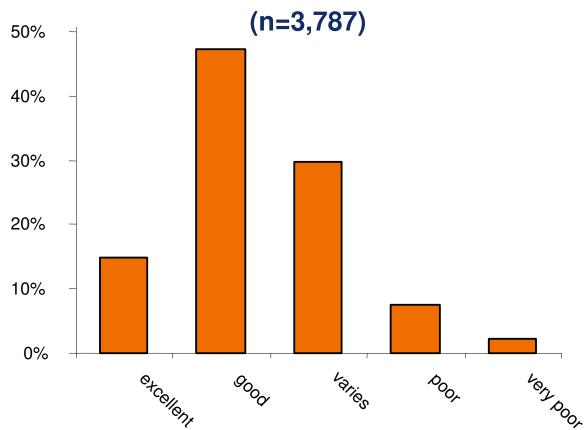
 Every end user to have unlimited 24 hour a day access, to enhance the role scientific literature plays in the research process.



Paper subscription model



# Author opinion on current access to journals\*



CIBER – Study 2004
UCL/ City university



### **New Business models**

- Continued debate on alternative business models
- Author pays (Open Access)
- Springer introduced Open Choice
- Springer is neutral on business models
- Practical hurdles



#### The choice for the market is

#### **Revolution**

changing money flow from libraries to research departments allowing open access for everybody

or

#### **Evolution**

migrating subscription model into database licensing model with unlimited access and self-archiving



## Possible end picture Journals?

- Open Access for some authors/ research foundations with a specific need or interest
- For others: Combination of unlimited access through database licenses in combination with author websites and institutional repositories



# **Second Journal step:**

- Journal Archives
  - From volume 1, issue 1
- Started 2003
- End 2010 (?)
- Service & Efficiency



# Let us Celebrate!!!

(and keep working on the future)