# THE MARKET POWER OF GLOBAL SCIENTIFIC PUBLISHING COMPANIES IN THE AGE OF GLOBALIZATION. AN ANALYSIS BASED ON THE OCLC WORLDCAT

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This article evaluates tendencies and trends of the global academic publishing industry, vital for any reasonable long-term publication strategy planning in research. Such analyses are made possible today by the OCLC Worldcat. Our multivariate attempt, combining Worldcat global library circulation figures of publisher companies with results from earlier publisher ranking studies, is based on factor analysis of 32 variables, and our promax factor analytical model establishes that there are eight factors of global publisher impact, explaining almost 86 % of total variance:

- 1. overall global standing of the company
- 2. company as a factor on the market
- 3. company impact on the global political and economic debate
- 4. successfully distributing best-sellers
- 5. impact on the scholarly community
- 6. successfully distributing production to more than 50 global Worldcat libraries
- 7. output during the last five years
- 8. outstanding academic quality

Of the 51 companies with complete data under investigation here, the following companies are classified in the upper half: Oxford University Press; Springer; Cambridge University Press; Routledge; World Bank; Princeton University Press; Elsevier; CRC Press; University of Chicago Press; University of California Press; Palgrave Macmillan; MIT Press; Yale University Press; University of North Carolina Press; De Gruyter; Wiley-Blackwell; Kluwer Academic Publishers; University of Pennsylvania Press; Johns Hopkins University Press; Brill; Nova Science Publishers; University of Illinois Press; Duke University Press; University of Washington Press; and Edward Elgar. Scientists, wanting to get global audiences, are well advised to publish with those companies; and journal editors, wanting to get a global distribution for their journals, are equally well advised to cooperate with them.

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#### Introduction

The global library network *OCLC Worldcat* was founded in 1967 at the Ohio College Library Center as a federation of just only 54 Ohio colleges while today it already brings together 16,548 libraries in 124 countries. Thus, it is by far the largest library network in the world and it offers unique opportunities for academic 'marketing research' in all disciplines, including globalization studies. Its full version, *OCLC First Search*, is an indispensable tool for academic research, analysis and academic strategy planning. But even open access versions of the Worldcat already contain vital information for the producers and consumers of global social science, including globalization studies, alike.

#### OCLC Worlcat - a Necessary Compass in the World of Globalized Social Science

Our article attempts to provide some basic ideas about the globalized publishing industry, the tool to transport globally academic findings, and it does so with the help of *OCLC* tools, like *OCLC First Search*, but also the open access portals *OCLC Classify*, *OCLC advanced search*, and *TE PUNA* (the New Zealand Library catalogue) on *OCLC*, which already offers freely enormous opportunities for the global research community (https://tepuna.on.*Worldcat*.org/discovery).

The basic idea of the project, which was founded by Frederick Kilgour (1914–2006), was to unite the knowledge of humanity available in libraries. Today, the catalog ranges from the University of Alaska in Fairbanks, Alaska to the Universidad de Concepción in Southern Chile, and from Tromsö University in Northern Norway to the University of Cape Town, South Africa, and is now expanding into the Asia-Pacific region as well into the Middle East, and *Worldcat* now integrates major libraries in the BRICS countries. It will be difficult to find a university library from one of the top 100 universities in the world, classified under the Shanghai University Ranking<sup>1</sup> System or the *SCIMAGO SIR* University and Research Institute ranking,<sup>2</sup> based on *SCOPUS* indexed publications<sup>3</sup> that is not a member of the *OCLC Worldcat*. Virtually all major libraries in Western Europe are also members of the *OCLC Worldcat* today, for example 428 in Germany, 1,212 in France and 261 in Italy.

Can any reputable academic research library now afford to remain outside this vast global network? With 389 million entries in 491 languages, with over 40 million daily accesses worldwide? Reasons for membership are manifold: to make the knowledge of teachers and students stored at local libraries globally more visible, provide scientists and students with an important navigation aid in the international science market *et cetera*.

# The OCLC Worldcat – Designing Scientific Publication Strategy and Assessing Global Scientific Impact on Your Smartphone or at a Mouse Click

Even on a smartphone, and even the open access the New Zealand *TE PUNA on World-cat* offers enormous research opportunities, for example the ranking of all the 1988 global journals by global library presence corresponding to the keyword 'globalization' (see Fig. 1).

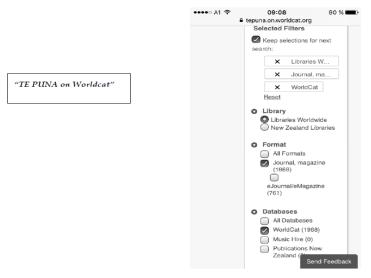


Fig. 1. Ranking the global library presence of globalization-related scientific journals with the open-access *Worldcat* version available from the New Zealand catalogue TE PUNA on a smartphone

In Fig. 2, we show the global library outreach of the journal best corresponding to the profile of the present journal, the 'Journal of Globalization Studies'. Pure and simple, the list of global libraries cataloguing this competing journal (the 'Journal of Globalization and Development' published by Berkeley Electronic Press), 4 shows the current maximum market for any competing globalization studies journal, and this market consists of only 454 libraries around the world.

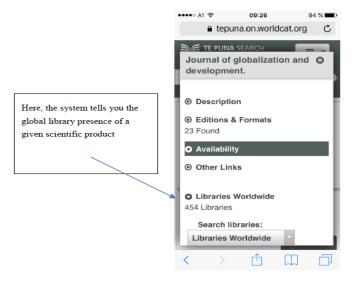


Fig. 2. The library impact of the globalization studies journal with the highest global library impact

The publishers and the editors of the present journal now can compare their own global distribution figures with those of the Berkeley 'Journal of Globalization and Development', and target the directors of the libraries, already subscribed to 'Journal of Globalization and Development' and not yet subscribed to the 'Journal of Globalization Studies' with subscription offers.



Fig. 3. The address lists of libraries subscribed to a competing journal in the field of globalization studies on a smartphone

Further questions that can be answered with the *OCLC Worldcat First Search* are, for example: how efficiently does your country's or your city's or your University's science reach a geographically extremely disperse audience? *OCLC Classify* even answers the understandable query by any scientific author whether his or publications are available at Harvard and Yale, Oxford and Cambridge, at the Nehru University in Delhi, at the Ben Gurion University in Be'er Sheva, Israel, and in Sao Paulo? And in Morocco and Jordan, in Ghana, in Ulan Bator and in Beijing? In Sydney and in Singapore? Malaysia or Botswana? And all this is made visible today with a single mouse click on your computer or with the touch of your thumb on your smartphone! Here, show to our readers the readership of Piketty's classic (2014) in the geographical region of Central and East Asia:

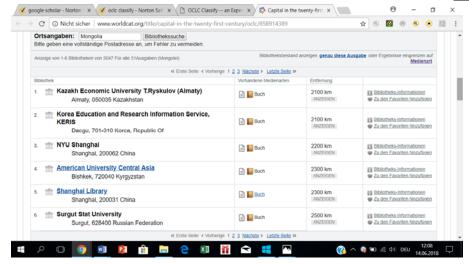


Fig. 4. Searching for global library presence with the Open Access Version *OCLC* Classify: the presence of Piketty's classic (Piketty 2014) in Central Asia

Why you should phone your chief librarian today, telling him/her that your library must become immediately a member of the OCLC Worldcat system

So, what are the general benefits of OCLC Worldcat?

- Access to data on library holdings and services with 2 billion holdings;
- Library-centered research that draws members' attention to important topics and trends, including access to reports from *OCLC* Research.

In the following I present what are *OCLC Worldcat's* main application areas for scientific strategy development in a global world market for science products today:

- 1) Determination of the global library impact of individual scientists, but also institutes, universities, the provision of objective criteria for the assessment of the effect of book or journal publications.
- 2) Book Publication Impact Monitoring, also for impact studies of books, studies and journals written at your research center on a global level and in individual regions of the world, even over time.
- 3) Quick selection of the most suitable publishers for future academic book publications which have the highest global readership for specific topics over the last few years and which have made the works of researchers available to a maximum of libraries worldwide.
- 4) Academic publishers based in your country would be able to search specifically for global libraries that already represent a true comparable market for products produced at your company in comparison to existing market leaders.
- 5) Which libraries worldwide are buying products from, say, Austrian, Australian, Brazilian, Chinese, Russian *et cetera* publishers? How does it compare to the distribution figures for competing publishers with a similar profile from, say, Scandinavia, the Netherlands, *etc.*, discipline for discipline?

The harsh realities of global academic publishing

Worldcat is not only your publisher's marketing department's dream, and a powerful tool of scientific impact research, suitable for Vice-Deans, Vice-Presidents of Universi-

ties etc. OCLC Worldcat tells us also a lot about the harsh realities of the globalization of science today.

We can estimate from the *OCLC* data that of the more than 300 million books held in global libraries, more than 120 million books were published in English, 43 million in German, and around 31 million in French. Especially German as a scientific language is tremendously on the retreat over the last decades. Of the 20.8 million books published in the last five years, 45 per cent were published in English, and in the field of political science, for example, this share was even 55 per cent. The concentration of the publication process on a global scale is enormous. In the field of political science alone, 13 leading publishers with an output of more than 400 political science books during the last five years published none the less than 38 per cent of the 1.7 million English language political science titles during the last five years.

Table 1 summarizes this global concentration process and the global maximum library outreach of these companies.

 ${\it Table~1}$  The global main publishers of political science during the last five years

Publisher	OCLC WC	Political sci-	Political science	Continuity of	Share of politi-
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	litical science	5 years) with	5 years) with	top 50 political	titles per
	books pub-	the highest	the 50 <sup>th</sup> highest	science books	total titles,
	lished in the	global library	global library	(last 5 years)	last 5 years
	last 5 years	circulation rate	circulation rate	, ,	,
Routledge	14,552	681	224	32.89	5.25
Palgrave	10,949	1,310	166	12.67	9.08
Macmillan					
Springer	10,083	692	305	44.08	1.97
Oxford Univer-	6,759	873	397	45.48	5.16
sity Press					
Cambridge Uni-	5,236	807	230	28.50	5.20
versity Press					
Princeton Uni-	1,405	1,321	622	47.09	6.29
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Brill	838	846	85	10.05	1.89
Edward Elgar	813	236	54	22.88	4.22
University of	672	1,297	427	32.92	8.74
Pennsylvania					
Press					
De Gruyter	582	1,283	42	3.27	0.77
University of	484	624	141	22.60	3.95
Chicago Press					
Yale University	408	832	186	22.36	3.09
Press					
Nova Science	402	695	458	65.90	2.43
Publishers					

 $Source: calculated \ with \ https://tepuna.on. Worldcat.org/discovery-books \ only.$ 

We also have to emphasize that authors publishing only in Russian, German or in other languages other than English find it much harder to reach global markets than authors, who presented their works in English in the first place. A good work published with a leading Russian or German language book company will often reach only 40, 50,

or 100 global libraries as a maximum. But even high-quality English language books might find it sometimes hard to find an appropriate library outreach of more than 50 libraries, especially if the price of a book is high or if your publisher's marketing facilities are not so well developed. A global social scientific star, sociologist Prof. Ronald T. Inglehart, reached with an American University Press publisher (Abramson and Inglehart 2009) 1,235 global libraries, while with a renown Canadian publisher (Inglehart 2002) only global 175 libraries. It would be sheer nonsense to believe that book number 1 by colleague Inglehart is seven times 'better' or 'more important' than book number 2, because it achieved seven times more library holdings.

If even a flagship foreign language publication like the Russian language 'Mirovaia ekonomika i mezhdunarodnye otnosheniia', which was studied in the days of the Cold War by hundreds of Western security and defense experts, only makes it to 125 global libraries, then it is not scientific quality or political importance, which matter, but that the journal is a foreign language product on the Anglo-American dominated market, pure and simple. Seen in such away, a library outreach of 100 libraries for a scientific publication published in a country like Russia is not a defeat but a victory. Still, the publishers of 'Mirovaia ekonomika' can compare the holdings of their journal with the maximum circulation of any Russian language journal in the world today, the 'Obshchestvo: Politika, ekonomika, pravo = Society: politics, economics, law.' published in Krasnodar by the LLC Publishing House 'HORS', [according to OCLC First Search at 676 global libraries]. These 676 global libraries can safely be assumed to constitute the maximum library outreach of any social science publication published in the language of Alexander Sergeyevich Pushkin.

As we show in the following, there are severe international market constraints even for English language academic publications, printed at any of the University Presses of the world today.

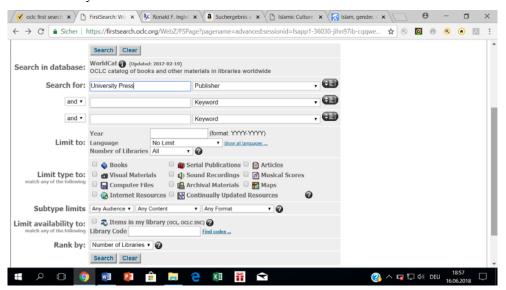


Fig. 5. Searching for the University Press publication with the highest global outreach on OCLC First Search

Only 1.93 per cent of the global University Press publications of the last five years reached more than 500 global libraries, and the record holder was not unsurprisingly the work by Piketty (2014). Piketty's global audience is a good indication of the maximum market of an English language book or journal on globalization.

## Libcitation – a New Scientific Tool to Assess Academic Marketing Success, Based on OCLC Worldcat Data

Usual attempts in the field of bibliometry are centered on the concept of citation patterns, while the globalization of book production has seldom been studied in its totality. And yet, it is evident that in the fields of social sciences and the humanities, where book production is still considered to be a major channel of scientific output, such attempts must and should be made.

The present article attempts then to apply so-called *Libcitation* measurement techniques, recently developed in the context of the Excellence in Research for Australia program. *Libcitation*, a term first coined in a published article by Howard D. White *et al.*, is a measure designed to estimate the global or also regional presence of authors, universities, research institutes or an entire scientific community on different markets:

[The] [...] measure introduced here is called the Libcitation. [...] It is made on books. For a particular book (*i.e.*, edition of a title), it increases by 1 every time a different library reports acquiring that book in a national or an international union catalog. Readers are invited to think of union catalogs in a new way: as 'librarians' citation indexes.' The idea is that, when librarians commit scarce resources to acquiring and cataloging a book, they are in their own fashion citing it, just as scholars do when they refer to it in new works of their own; both are engaged in bibliographic speech acts. As these 'librarians' citations' accrue differentially to different books in union catalogs, we gain data for a new indicator. The number of libraries holding a book at a given time constitutes its Libcitation count.

Counting the presence of author's or even publishing companies' outputs in Union catalogues is a straightforward methodology to ascertain something like the 'real market weight'. White *et al.* point to the fact that:

Whereas traditional citation counts reflect judgments by authors' peers on publications useful to them, Libcitation counts reflect judgments by librarians on the usefulness of publications for their various audiences of readers. The Libcitation measure thus resembles a citation impact measure in discriminating values of publications on a defined ground. It rewards authors whose books (or other publications) are seen by librarians as having relatively wide appeal. A book's absolute appeal can be determined simply by counting how many libraries hold it, but it can also be gauged in relation to other books in its subject class.

Since there is a very close working relationship between scholarly and teaching activities and the respective libraries at Universities around the world, we can only emphasize the point made by White *et al*.

We anticipate the cry, 'But librarians aren't like citers; they don't know anything!' It is true that librarians rarely make new knowledge claims and are seldom considered the peers of the scientists and scholars who do. Neverthe-

less, what they acquire and record in union catalogs involves the wide cultural literacy that is at the heart of librarianship. On the service front, Libcitations reflect librarians' knowledge of audiences – their approximate sizes, the topics that interest them, their degrees of expertise, and their localized concerns (e.g., what is important to Australians as opposed to non-Australians). On the book front, Libcitations reflect what librarians know about the prestige of publishers, the opinions of reviewers, and the reputations of authors. The latter may be colored by, for example, authors' academic affiliations, previous sales, prizes, awards, distinguished appointments, mass media coverage, Web presence, and citedness. All of these are signals of what readers are likely to want, and librarians must be attuned to them. A book's Libcitation count is thus its holdings count in a union catalog seen in a different light. Holdings counts are an unobtrusive measure that cannot be altered by researchers changing their behavior. They cannot easily be 'gamed,' assuming current standards of record keeping. They may change over time, but data on them already have accumulated for many years in several union catalogs, and millions of them are by now quite stable.

Even if we could theoretically assume that 'non-scientific, non-market pressure' by scientists could influence the book ordering policies of a few departments or libraries, a strong position of a given scientist or journal or publication in the library holdings of tens of thousands of libraries around the globe cannot be the product of coincidence or collusive pressure alone. Librarians, first of all, listen to the ordering wishes from the respective faculties and academic departments at their institutions, secondly, they, for themselves, also evaluate the current literature reviews and even international press articles to round up their opinions on the developments of a given discipline and their implications for catalogue development.

Zuccala *et al.* (2015) already established that there is a close correlation between Scopus-Indexed publications and global library presence in *Worldcat*. Our chosen indicators take into account the all-too-well-known fact that the global audiences in the social sciences are hardly known. Usual attempts at citation-based rankings try to measure the standing of scientists with other members of the science community, and hardly with the global public at large.

At the same time, this way of measurement is much more market-decision based than analyses based on citation patterns, which tell us hardly anything about the geographical aspects of the world distribution of knowledge. A librarian or a library community, in addition, has to spend scarce resources on each purchased book, and their decision to buy an academic title, often at the price of 70\$, 80\$, or more, is a real decision to devote scarce resources.

Since publishers, with justification, regard global and geographically broken-down sales figures as a well-guarded secret, available only to the publisher(s) and their author(s), and since the usual alternative – available bestseller rankings from Internet bookstores – are but a very unreliable indicator of the development of the global publishing market, and change frequently over time, we are practically left to work only with this relatively new methodology. We round up our methodology by the yearly download figures of the respective articles on the analyzed companies contained in *Wikipedia*.

#### **Rankings of Book Publishers**

In the past, there were several attempts to rank book publishers by qualitative methods. The Dutch Research Consortium SENSE<sup>5</sup> used five categories. This ranking was based on the subjective opinion of the scientists working for this important consortium in the field of environmental studies in the Netherlands:

I refereed book publications:

A: Refereed book publications published by the world top of publishers;

B: Refereed book publications published by the world's semi-top of publishers;

C: Refereed book publications published by other publishers;

II non-refereed book publications

D: published for an academic public (professional publications);

E: mainly published for a non-academic (general) public.

Their ranking reached the following conclusion about the global top players in the field of global academic publishing:

A-publishers (a few top-notch international publishers)

Cambridge University Press

Columbia University Press

Harvard University Press

John's Hopkins University Press

MIT Press Cambridge, Massachusetts

Oxford University Press

Princeton University Press

Stanford University Press

University of Chicago Press

Yale University Press

An influential study by the Universidad de Granada<sup>6</sup> was based on the Clarivate Analytics 'Book Citation Index'<sup>7</sup> and ranked Springer, Palgrave Macmillan, Routledge, Cambridge University Press, Elsevier, Nova Science Publishers, Edward Elgar, Information Age Publishing, Princeton University Press and University of California Press as the global leading academic publishers.

The University of Groningen in the Netherlands, one of the world's 100 top Universities, now runs a system by which researchers and students from around the world can find complete information on the book and journal publishing companies, chosen by the staff of one of the world's leading Universities for their scientific publications. This complete documentation system, currently listing more than 233,000 scientific publications, informs us for example that in view of the list reproduced in Table 1 of this essay, there were 657 Groningen publications with Routledge, 170 publications with Palgrave, but 2,120 publications with Springer and 48 publications with Nova Science Publishers, the last of the mentioned 13 companies in our Table 1. 5,903 publications by the Groningen University researchers took place in the context of any University Press around the world; and one essay, van der Vliet (2008), was published with Uchitel, the publishing company of the present journal.

#### Methods for the Empirical Analysis of Publisher Market Power

Now, this essay builds on a bibliometric analysis of 57 major book publishing companies, for which there are complete available data for both the above-mentioned SENSE Index and the book-citation related study by Torres-Salinas *et al.*, 2012, 2013, and 2014a, 2014b, referred to here as the 'Granada studies' in bibliometrics (Tausch 2015a).

With the data, now available from *OCLC*, the author calculated or collected the following variables in addition to the comprehensive Tausch, 2015a study:

- % of titles with an *OCLC Worldcat* circulation between 50 and 500 global libraries 9
- % of titles with an *OCLC Worldcat* circulation of less than 50 global libraries <sup>10</sup>
- % of titles with an *OCLC Worldcat* circulation of more than 500 global libraries<sup>11</sup>
- book (last 5 years) with the 50th highest *OCLC Worldcat* circulation rate<sup>12</sup>
- book (last 5 years) with the highest *OCLC Worldcat* circulation rate<sup>13</sup>
- continuity of performance  $-50^{th}$  best circulated book compared to the top circulated book (last 5 years)<sup>14</sup>
- OCLC WC number of book titles published in the last 5 years (TE PUNA on Worldcat)<sup>15</sup>
  - Recent titles with more than 50 OCLC Worldcat circulation 16
  - Recent titles with more than 500 *OCLC Worldcat* circulation<sup>17</sup>
  - total number of recent titles (not just books; OCLC First Search)<sup>18</sup>
- *Wikipedia* monthly downloads of articles featuring the company over last year (English sites only)<sup>19</sup>

In view of the importance of the social media and the Internet for company reputation today, we also included data about *Wikipedia* monthly downloads of articles featuring the company over last year. These data also reflect, as the rest of our indicators, the element of the standing of a company with the general publics and not just the academic community alone.

The Tausch, 2015a variables, again used in the present study were:

#### Publishing the results of science

- Quantity Indicator number of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Citation Index<sup>20</sup>
- Citations of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Citation Index<sup>21</sup>
- Harvard Library number of titles (books only)<sup>22</sup>
- number of references about the company in books Questia<sup>23</sup>

#### Citations, impact and standing in the academic community

- average citations books and book chapters<sup>24</sup>
- standard deviation citations books and book chapters<sup>25</sup>
- Sense Quality Indicator for multivariate analysis<sup>26</sup>
- Harvard HOLLIS ratio of books checked out per total holdings (books only)<sup>27</sup>
- average citations books in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) book citation index<sup>28</sup>
- number of references about the company in scholarly journals Questia<sup>29</sup>

#### **Market penetration in industrialized Western countries**

- Japanese NACSIS top library outreach (books only)<sup>30</sup>
- Japanese NACSIS 200th library outreach (books only)<sup>31</sup>

- Swedish LIBRIS top library outreach<sup>32</sup>
- Swedish LIBRIS 50th library outreach<sup>33</sup>

#### Attention given to the books by the international decision makers

- Items in ECLAS catalogue of the European Union in Brussels<sup>34</sup>
- Items in World Bank/IMF JOLIS library catalogue Washington (books only)<sup>35</sup>

#### Market penetration in developing countries

• Items in the IndCat (India) Union catalog<sup>36</sup>

#### Attention given to the books in the international media

- number of references about the company in magazines Questia<sup>37</sup>
- number of references about the company in newspapers Questia<sup>38</sup>

It was expected that all quality and quantity criteria correlate very highly with each other. For that reason, the author chose the factor analytical model of promax factor analysis (see Tausch 2015b). The factor analytical results were also used to arrive at a combined index of publisher market power. This index combines the factor scores for each derived factor, weighted by the Eigenvalues (see, for an extensive debate about these procedures, Tausch 2015b).

#### **Results**

Table 2, Table 3, Table 4, and Table 5 are reprinted here for the specialists, and they should describe the most important aspects of our factor analytical model of publisher market power in a globalized world of science.

Table 2
The multivariate promax factor model of publisher market power – variance explained

	Variance explained
Wikipedia monthly downloads, English, last year	0.643
OCLC WC number of books published in the last 5 years	0.971
book (last 5 years) with the highest global library circulation rate	0.735
book (last 5 years) with the 50th highest global library circulation rate	0.958
continuity of performance – top 50 books (last 5 years)	0.807
Quantity Indicator – number of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Citation Index	0.848
Citations of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Citation Index	0.940
average citations – books and book chapters	0.765
standard deviation citations books and book chapters	0.904
Sense Quality Indicator for multivariate analysis	0.665
Harvard Library number of titles (books only)	0.852
Harvard HOLLIS ratio of books checked out per total holdings (books only)	0.839
average citations – books in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) book citation index	0.856

	Variance explained
Japanese NACSIS top library outreach (books only)	0.843
Japanese NACSIS 200 <sup>th</sup> library outreach (books only)	0.925
Swedish LIBRIS top library outreach	0.707
Swedish LIBRIS 50 <sup>th</sup> library outreach	0.765
number of references about the company in books – Questia	0.843
number of references about the company in scholarly journals – Questia	0.938
number of references about the company in magazines – Questia	0.946
number of references about the company in newspapers – Questia	0.932
Items in ECLAS catalogue Brussels	0.899
Items in World Bank/IMF JOLIS library catalogue Washington (books only)	0.936
Items in the IndCat (India) Union catalog	0.886
total number of recent titles	0.968
Recent titles with more than 50 circulation	0.978
Recent titles with more than 500 circulation	0.727
% of titles with a circulation of more than 500	0.823
% of titles with a circulation between 50 and 500	0.914
% of titles with a circulation of less than 50	0.969

Table 3

The multivariate promax factor model of publisher market power – cumulative percentage of total variance explained and Eigenvalues

	Eigenvalues	% of variance	Cumulated
		explained	percentage of
			variance explained
overall global standing of the company	10,156	33,855	33,855
company is a factor on the market	3,471	11,569	45,424
company impact on the global political and economic debate	3,012	10,041	55,465
successfully distributing best-sellers	2,570	8,567	64,032
impact on the scholarly community	2,193	7,309	71,341
successfully distributing production to more than 50 libraries	1,689	5,628	76,970
output during the last 5 years	1,587	5,291	82,261
outstanding academic quality	1,105	3,684	85,945

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### **Factor loadings**

Wikipedia monthly down-loads, English, last year   0.514   0.974   0.262   0.274   0.067   0.233   0.017   0.049									
loads, English, last year		overall global standing of the company	company is a factor on the market	company impact on the global political and economic debate	successfully distributing best-sellers	impact on the scholarly community	successfully distri- buting production to more than 50 libraries	output during the last 5 years	outstanding academic quality
Dublished in the last 5 years   Dook (last 5 years) with the highest global library circulation rate   Dook (last 5 years) with the 50th lighest global library circulation rate   Dook (last 5 years) with the 50th lighest global library circulation rate   Continuity of performance		0.775	0.284	0.118	0.304	0.312	0.062	-0.067	0.044
highest global library circulation rate	published in the last 5 years	0.514	0.974	0.262	0.274	0.067	0.233	0.017	0.049
S0th highest global library circulation rate	highest global library circulation rate		0.124	0.010	0.808	0.084	0.297	-0.034	-0.008
Top 50 books (last 5 years)   Quantity Indicator – number of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters)   Book Citation Index	50 <sup>th</sup> highest global library cir-	0.459	0.226	0.081	0.969	0.201	0.134	-0.003	0.080
of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Citation Index         0.413         0.942         0.223         0.280         0.182         0.422         0.006         0.111           Citations of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Cittation Index average citations – books and book chapters         0.232         0.126         0.181         0.093         0.852         0.027         -0.117         0.208           standard deviation citations books and book chapters         0.458         0.214         0.502         0.353         0.845         0.221         -0.074         0.235           Sense Quality Indicator for multivariate analysis         0.705         0.120         0.066         0.504         0.082         0.370         -0.077         0.038           Harvard Library number of tites (books only)         0.771         0.282         0.314         0.102         0.241         -0.085         0.010           Harvard HOLLIS ratio of books checked out per total holdings (books only)         0.064         -0.038         -0.029         0.105         0.233         0.194         -0.025         0.865           book citation index         Japanese NACSIS top library outreach (books only)         0.316         0.334         0.271         0.494         0.445         0.181 <t< td=""><td></td><td>0.352</td><td>0.243</td><td>0.287</td><td>0.863</td><td>0.223</td><td>0.115</td><td>0.072</td><td>0.136</td></t<>		0.352	0.243	0.287	0.863	0.223	0.115	0.072	0.136
Chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters)   Book Cittation Index	of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (for- merly Thomson-Reuters)	0.376	0.873	0.189	0.253	0.049	0.456	0.131	0.093
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		0.941	0.536	0.315	0.489	0.381	0.168	-0.090	0.067

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0.809	0.390	0.333	0.509	0.239	0.122	0.021	0.179
0.716	0.462	0.333	0.715	0.151	0.216	0.134	-0.067
0.886	0.196	0.302	0.426	0.284	0.192	-0.034	-0.035
0.759	0.350	0.795	0.313	0.295	0.114	0.020	0.009
0.295	0.232	0.953	0.165	0.317	-0.043	0.004	0.003
0.261	0.761	0.752	0.175	0.139	0.080	0.036	0.046
0.298	0.937	0.208	0.175	0.080	0.214	-0.080	0.045
0.270	0.207	0.948	0.100	0.306	-0.052	0.015	0.009
0.855	0.556	0.379	0.204	0.257	-0.011	-0.008	0.001
-0.073	-0.008	0.034	0.014	-0.137	-0.077	0.982	-0.093
-0.036	0.031	0.056	0.042	-0.109	0.025	0.986	-0.074
0.078	0.046	0.643	0.059	-0.141	0.233	0.219	0.484
0.154	0.206	0.185	0.106	-0.153	0.571	-0.281	0.778
0.165	0.338	0.032	0.170	0.057	0.932	0.013	0.221
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 0.986           0.078         0.046

 ${\it Table~5}$  Correlations between the factors of publisher market power

Component	overall global standing of the company	company is a factor on the market	company impact on the global political and economic debate	successfully distributing best-sellers	impact on the scholarly community	successfully distributing production to more than 50 libraries	output during the last 5 years	outstanding academic quality
overall global standing of the company	1.000	0.417	0.319	0.493	0.304	0.196	-0.055	0.064
company is a factor on the market	0.417	1.000	0.295	0.223	0.109	0.251	0.004	0.061
company impact on the global po- litical and eco- nomic debate	0.319	0.295	1.000	0.160	0.209	0.056	0.063	0.128
successfully dis- tributing best- sellers	0.493	0.223	0.160	1.000	0.194	0.229	0.036	0.075
impact on the scholarly com- munity	0.304	0.109	0.209	0.194	1.000	-0.046	-0.105	0.043
successfully dis- tributing produc- tion to more than 50 libraries	0.196	0.251	0.056	0.229	-0.046	1.000	-0.043	0.328
output during the last 5 years	-0.055	0.004	0.063	0.036	-0.105	-0.043	1.000	-0.088
outstanding academic quality	0.064	0.061	0.128	0.075	0.043	0.328	-0.088	1.000

Table 6 now lists the final outcome of our study. It is based on the factor analytical results described above. According to our results, any scholar or journal, publishing with Oxford University Press, Springer, Cambridge University Press, Routledge, World Bank, Princeton University Press, Elsevier, CRC Press, University of Chicago Press, and University of California Press is on the 'safe side', and these companies belong to the global top 20 per cent of the book publishing industry.

Table 6

The final classification of global publishers' market power according to our promax factor analytical model (factors weighted according to their Eigenvalues)

	Overall Quality Indicator	Rank	percentile performance
Oxford University Press	45,538	1	1,961
Springer	43,102	2	3,922
Cambridge University Press	38,126	3	5,882
Routledge	33,592	4	7,843
World Bank	24,110	5	9,804
Princeton University Press	23,341	6	11,765
Elsevier	20,351	7	13,725
CRC Press	14,633	8	15,686
University of Chicago Press	14,564	9	17,647
University of California Press	10,678	10	19,608
Palgrave Macmillan	10,546	11	21,569
MIT Press	10,527	12	23,529
Yale University Press	9,289	13	25,490
University of North Carolina Press	5,686	14	27,451
De Gruyter	5,571	15	29,412
Wiley-Blackwell	4,036	16	31,373
Kluwer Academic Publishers	2,081	17	33,333
University of Pennsylvania Press	1,751	18	35,294
Johns Hopkins University Press	1,416	19	37,255
Brill	1,396	20	39,216
Nova Science Publishers	0,958	21	41,176
University of Illinois Press	-0,753	22	43,137
Duke University Press	-1,034	23	45,098
University of Washington Press	-2,144	24	47,059
Edward Elgar	-5,559	25	49,020
Rodopi	-5,772	26	50,980
Edinburgh University Press	-6,666	27	52,941
Island Press	-7,005	28	54,902
World Scientific and Engineering	-7,197	29	56,863
IEEE	-7,492	30	58,824
John Benjamins	-7,562	31	60,784
CABI	-7,806	32	62,745
University of New Mexico Press	-8,674	33	64,706
Ios Press	-8,882	34	66,667
Karger	-9,509	35	68,627
L'Harmattan	-11,850	36	70,588
Earthscan Publications Ltd.	-12,054	37	72,549
Catena Verlag	-12,446	38	74,510
Transaction Publishing	-12,674	39	76,471
Channel View Publications	-12,776	40	78,431
(UCB) University of British Columbia Press	-12,866	41	80,392

	Overall Quality Indicator	Rank	percentile
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Wilfrid Laurier University Press	-13,277	42	82,353
ASM Press	-13,632	43	84,314
IWA Publishing	-13,722	44	86,275
Woodhead Publishing	-14,552	45	88,235
Equinox	-14,931	46	90,196
Wageningen	-14,961	47	92,157
Resources for the Future	-16,757	48	94,118
Ateneo de Manila University	-17,857	49	96,078
Nottingham University Press	-20,384	50	98,039
WIT Press	-20,495	51	100,000

#### **Conclusions**

This article evaluated tendencies and trends of the global academic publishing industry, vital for any reasonable long-term publication strategy planning in research. Such analyses are made possible today by the *OCLC Worldcat*. This combined global library catalogue (union catalogue) *OCLC* was founded in America in 1967 and today integrates library collections ranging from northern Norway to Chile, and from California to Europe and Africa on to the Asia Pacific Region, including an ever-growing number of libraries in the BRIICS countries. Comparisons based on the wealth of these data can even be accessed via the freely available versions of the *OCLC 'Worldcat'*, such as '*OCLC Classify'* or the New Zealand Library Portal 'TE PUNA' ('TE PUNA on World Cat'), or by the full subscription-based '*OCLC First Search*' version of the *OCLC Worldcat*.

Based on *OCLC Worldcat* data, recent contributions in the expanding discipline of scientometry and bibliometrics have started to study the global presence of publications in global libraries, which are the main buyers of our academic publications in the world today. Such methods are absolutely necessary to design successful academic strategies to distribute effectively scientific knowledge in the age of globalization around the globe.

We can estimate from the *OCLC* data that of the more than 300 million books held in global libraries, more than 120 million books were published in English, 43 million in German, and around 31 million in French. Especially German as a scientific language is on the retreat over the last decades. Of the 20.8 million books published in the last five years, 45 per cent were published in English, and in the field of political science, for example, this share was even 55 per cent. The concentration of the publication process on a global scale is enormous. In the field of political science alone, 13 leading publishers with an output of more than 400 political science books during the last five years published none the less than 38 per cent of the 1.7 million English language political science titles during the last five years.

Our basic idea was simple, not to say downright vulgar. Is a book or a book series or a scientific journal important, it must be surely not only cited internationally, but it must also be physically or electronically present in as many global libraries as possible, because after all: what counts, is global and geographically diverse readership.

Even high-quality English language books might find it sometimes hard to find an appropriate library outreach of more than 50 global libraries, especially if the price of a book is high or if your publisher's marketing facilities are not so well developed. A flagship Russian language publication like 'Mirovaia ekonomika i mezhdunarodnye otnosheniia', which was studied in the days of the Cold War by hundreds of Western security and defense experts to

find clues as to what 'the Soviet Enemy' is planning next, only makes it to 125 global libraries. As we show in our article, there are severe international market constraints even for English language academic publications, printed at any of the University Presses of the world today: only 1.93 per cent of the global University Press output of the last five years reached more than 500 global libraries.

In our essay, we compare book company global impact figures with results from an earlier bibliometric study, which already used library presence results from union catalogues with counting procedures, such as in India, Japan, and Sweden (Tausch 2017). In our essay, we combined the available *OCLC Worldcat* data with results of the Tausch (2017) study, which also used existing rankings of global academic publishing companies published in the literature, and data from the newly created Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) 'Book Citation Index'. Our new multivariate attempt, combining all these data, is based on factor analysis of 32 variables, and our promax factor analytical model established that there are eight factors of global publisher impact, explaining almost 86 per cent of total variance:

- 1. overall global standing of the company;
- 2. company as a factor on the market;
- 3. company impact on the global political and economic debate;
- 4. successfully distributing best-sellers;
- 5. impact on the scholarly community;
- 6. successfully distributing production to more than 50 global Worldcat libraries;
- 7. output during the last 5 years;
- 8. outstanding academic quality.

Of the 51 companies with complete data under investigation here, the following companies were classified in the upper half: Oxford University Press; Springer; Cambridge University Press; Routledge; World Bank; Princeton University Press; Elsevier; CRC Press; University of Chicago Press; University of California Press; Palgrave Macmillan; MIT Press; Yale University Press; University of North Carolina Press; De Gruyter; Wiley-Blackwell; Kluwer Academic Publishers; University of Pennsylvania Press; Johns Hopkins University Press; Brill; Nova Science Publishers; University of Illinois Press; Duke University Press; University of Washington Press; and Edward Elgar. Scientists, wanting to get global audiences, are well advised to publish with those companies; and journal editors, wanting to get a global distribution for their journals, are equally well advised to cooperate with them.

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## Appendix

Table 1
Original data used in the multivariate model

Publisher	Wikipedia monthly downloads, English, last year	OCLC WC number of books published in the last 5 years	book (last 5 years) with the highest global library circulation rate	book (last 5 years) with the 50th highest global library circulation rate	continuity of performance – top 50 books (last 5 years)	Quantity Indicator – number of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Ana- lytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Citation Index	Citations of books and book chapters in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) Book Cittation Index	average citations – books and book chapters	standard deviation citations books and book chapters	Sense Quality Indicator for multivariate analysis	Harvard Library number of titles (books only)	Harvard HOLLIS ratio of books checked out per total holdings (books only)
(UCB) University of British Columbia Press	333	127	458	2	0.4	981	475	0.5	1.9	2	844	4.4
Anthem Press		1,969	1,329	690	51.9	183	16	0.1	0.4	1	300	12.0
ASM Press	42	801	948	291	30.7	20	2	0.1	0.5	2	222	5.9
Ateneo de Ma- nila University	83	251	56	14	25.0	201	23	0.1	0.7	2	304	10.9
Brill	576	44,343	917	847	92.4	2,503	352	0.1	0.9	3	12,598	5.7
CABI	449	2,693	304	69	22.7	2,235	1,148	0.5	2	3	204	2.9
Cambridge University Press	13,393	100,622	1,086	448	41.3	17,743	13,597	0.8	7	4	31,265	8.3
Catena Verlag	569	149	28	2	7.1	2	5	2.5	3.5	2	27	14.8
Channel View Publications	124	862	652	124	19.0	14	3	0.2	0.8	2	52	9.6
CRC Press	4,312	8,523	931	922	99.0	3,661	4.621	1.3	9.6	3	3,669	71.0
De Gruyter	541	7,5258	1,453	1,310	90.2	3,909	1,931	0.5	3.5	2	12,928	4.5
Duke University Press	1,769	5,293	609	306	50.2	23	4	0.2	0.7	3	3,522	10.7
Earthscan Publications Ltd.	580	1,109	492	80	16.3	41	6	0.2	0.7	3	1,005	5.4
Edinburgh University Press	957	9	7	0	0.0	2,332	373	0.2	1.1	2	2,120	11.4
Edward Elgar	1,731	19,257	505	125	24.8	13,298	4,019	0.3	1.6	3	3,412	5.5
Elsevier	23,156	89,020	1,098	887	80.8	16,622	10,071	0.6	7.8	3	11,750	2.8
Equinox	66	1,166	385	82	21.3	48	26	0.5	2	1	408	9.6
IEEE	695	41,857	632	288	45.6	41	3	0.1	0.3	3	281	2.8
Ios Press	363	2,478	1,436	902	62.8	155	36	0.2	1	2	350	2.6
Island Press	385	2,177	1,439	802	55.7	16	5	0.3	0.6	3	1,050	2.8
IWA Publishing	18	1,552	1,004	340	33.9	602	240	0.4	1.7	2	50	6.0
John Benjamins	804	6,963	1,307	856	65.5	86	42	0.5	1.5	2	1,623	6.4
Johns Hopkins University Press	2,361	4,752	1,415	1,153	81.5	399	155	0.4	1.3	4	5,191	4.1

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Karger	404	2,437	118	62	52.5	460	183	0.4	1.4	3	3,006	1.0
Kluwer Acade- mic Publishers	67	32,501	753	541	71.8	48	107	2.2	6.6	1	6,276	3.7
L'Harmattan	355	49,148	94	53	56.4	13	0	0.0	0	2	31,685	0.4
MIT Press	3,671	12,436	1,152	949	82.4	4,629	3,825	0.8	6.3	4	6,417	7.3
Nottingham University Press	82	4	44	0	0.0	240	32	0.1	0.5	2	30	3.3
Nova Science Publishers	1,794	16,574	1,075	702	65.3	15,727	3,953	0.3	1.1	2	1,087	4.0
Oxford University Press	20,425	130,981	1,480	853	57.6	34	33	1.0	4.8	4	55,790	5.9
Palgrave Macmillan	4,708	120,585	1,310	646	49.3	45,306	13,352	0.3	1.6	3	14,615	10.9
Praxis Publi- shing Ltd.		911	428	37	8.6	43	5	0.1	0.6	1	577	1.0
Princeton University Press	4,255	22,344	1,589	968	60.9	6,207	11,254	1.8	16.8	4	9,982	6.3
Resources for the Future	720	39	67	0	0.0	36	33	0.9	1.9	2	478	0.6
Rodopi	721	4,042	874	801	91.6	55	11	0.2	0.9	2	3,689	3.8
Routledge	1,017	27,7276	726	667	91.9	27,511	11,585	0.4	3.7	3	35,594	8.3
Royal Society of Chemistry		3,761	1,271	711	55.9	826	1,311	1.6	13.1	3	267	4.1
Springer	5,058	512,404	1,409	997	70.8	59,992	49,411	0.8	4.7	3	66,365	1.5
Studium Press		80	8	1	12.5	677	119	0.2	0.6	1	1,697	1.8
Trans Tech Publications		8,240	1,294	878	67.9	22	5	0.2	0.7	2	22	9.1
Transaction Publishing	1,221	1,823	368	122	33.2	714	124	0.2	0.7	2	3,505	6.1
Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico		4,647	163	41	25.2	88	3	0.0	0.3	1	5,945	3.5
University of California Press	3,642	8,523	1,392	922	66.2	6,153	4,089	0.7	4.6	4	11,693	3.7
University of Chicago Press	3,752	12,261	2,362	592	25.1	184	44	0.2	0.9	4	12,827	5.6

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University of Illinois Press	1,789	3,769	1,451	979	67.5	2,480	794	0.3	1.7	2	6,414	3.6
University of New Mexico Press	306	1,718	927	566	61.1	12	0	0.0	0	2	2,311	2.6
University of North Carolina Press	1,310	4,024	1,354	840	62.0	2,646	1,981	0.8	3.1	3	4,069	4.8
University of Pennsylvania Press	1,019	7,690	1,299	496	38.2	3,697	2,755	0.8	3	3	5,118	4.8
University of Washington Press	587	2,493	963	808	83.9	661	188	0.3	1.9	2	3,342	3.5
Wageningen	81	9,915	328	37	11.3	389	139	0.4	1	1	437	1.1
Wiley- Blackwell	5,872	24,614	599	517	86.3	3,407	849	0.3	2.4	4	30,925	3.4
Wilfrid Laurier University Press	255	15	6	0	0.0	496	142	0.3	1.2	2	676	1.3
WIT Press	13	2,499	720	88	12.2	335	117	0.4	2.1	2	81	0.0
Woodhead Publishing	665	5,736	892	334	37.4	2,998	1,018	0.3	2	2	294	1.7
World Bank	66	9,299	447	418	93.5	2,338	2,399	1.0	12.7	2	4,368	2.9
World Scientific and Engineering	1,726	20,405	1,447	1,397	96.5	34	12	0.4	0.8	3	2,690	6.0
Yale University Press	3,565	13,184	2,157	807	37.4	15	11	0.7	2.8	4	11,119	5.3
University of Pennsylvania Press	1,019	7,690	1,299	496	38.2	3,697	2,755	0.8	3	3	5,118	4.8
University of Washington Press	587	2,493	963	808	83.9	661	188	0.3	1.9	2	3,342	3.5

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Publisher	average citations – books in the Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson-Reuters) book citation index	Japanese NACSIS top library outreach (books only)	Japanese NACSIS 200th library outreach (books only)	Swedish LIBRIS top library outreach	Swedish LIBRIS 50th library outreach	number of references about the company in books – Questia	number of references about the company in scholarly journals – Questia	number of references about the company in magazines – Questia	number of references about the company in newspapers – Questia	Items in ECLAS catalogue Brussels	Items in World Bank/IMF JOLIS library catalogue Washington (books only)	Items in the IndCat (India) Union catalog
(UCB) University of British Columbia Press	3.9	121	1	22	17	1,206	171	9	1	0	6	43
Anthem Press	0.8	44	1	23	19	108	18	2	6	27	42	130
ASM Press	2.0	87	5	19	6	26	20	0	0	2	2	462
Ateneo de Ma- nila University	1.0	37	3	19	0	228	12	15	1,345	1	7	5
Brill	1.4	215	28	32	23	8,356	853	508	3,311	118	99	3,913
CABI	3.2	58	7	30	20	324	40	60	116	84	74	172
Cambridge University Press	6.8	415	143	49	32	39,523	2875	699	198	2,046	1,944	75,374
Catena Verlag	0.0	20	0	29	1	939	52	16	193	1	0	1
Channel View Publications	3.0	56	0	30	8	21	3	0	0	0	1	6
CRC Press	6.8	456	29	36	11	800	89	32	27	218	84	6,707
De Gruyter	2.9	187	76	46	22	7,040	221	26	3	395	49	1,879
Duke University Press	0.0	137	32	31	12	12,734	948	153	30	34	71	1,264
Earthscan Publications Ltd.	1.3	80	0	24	7	413	17	8	0	7	95	633
Edinburgh University Press	1.4	99	24	32	21	4,852	111	24	16	43	22	1,462
Edward Elgar	2.4	120	51	21	11	2,863	278	125	771	1,284	1,448	3,844
Elsevier	8.4	369	79	36	30	6,151	422	1,359	1,733	1,109	335	24,199
IEEE	0.0	204	21	27	21	1,553	263	525	232	48	5	2,004
Ios Press	1.4	66	5	30	22	245	9	14	0	89	31	148
Island Press	1.0	53	8	23	20	1,369	161	103	51	87	101	182
IWA Publishing	2.9	14	0	20	3	3	1	0	0	22	32	12
John Benjamins	3.5	162	34	25	21	1,498	47	6	0	91	1	1,562
Johns Hopkins University Press	2.3	152	40	34	21	19,506	607	229	73	130	323	2,344
Karger	2.4	92	15	33	14	1,025	79	34	174	11	3	2,171
Kluwer Academic Publishers	22.0	162	51	34	19	6,872	245	416	122	3,047	1,352	6,508

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L'Harmattan	0.0	40	11	20	3	1,460	70	2	1	1205	103	0
MIT Press	8.7	297	94	36	23	18,155	711	330	63	443	653	5,500
Nottingham University Press	0.8	5	0	28	1	20	2	1	1	3	1	2
Nova Science Publishers	0.6	36	5	23	22	206	16	4	1	17	202	132
Oxford University Press	11.0	399	155	55	33	50,233	3,523	1,710	894	3,358	4,817	143,67 0
Palgrave Macmillan	2.5	172	33	32	20	3,632	1076	308	157	1,146	1,163	2,513
Praxis Publishing Ltd.	1.7	27	1	19	7	11	0	0	0	7	3	16
Princeton University Press	18.5	219	79	31	22	32,770	1,007	522	147	266	481	13972
Rodopi	2.3	63	13	23	22	2,127	310	20	6	50	0	135
Routledge	4.1	252	106	55	31	35,862	2,431	862	7,616	2,420	1,906	78,188
Royal Society of Chemistry	15.1	144	9	29	20	92	18	83	238	70	6	1,477
Springer	4.2	228	117	40	36	11,272	1,241	1,177	13,917	30,655	1,819	64,801
Studium Press	0.2	1	0	46	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	15
Trans Tech Publications	0.3	32	3	19	15	0	0	1	0	0	0	142
Transaction Publishing	1.0	56	17	34	13	2,373	116	51	13	46	111	309
Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico	0.0	17	2	29	2	709	24	115	14	6	40	47
University of California Press	6.9	155	63	33	23	31,182	1,066	412	142	93	137	7,332
University of Chicago Press	2.1	264	76	39	22	36,180	1,255	433	153	149	344	12,653
University of Illinois Press	3.1	149	31	36	21	13,980	781	132	42	6	13	905
University of New Mexico Press	0.0	94	5	22	20	3,934	149	37	13	0	2	143

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University of North Carolina Press	7.1	130	27	36	21	14,362	930	113	58	3	14	1092
University of Pennsylvania Press	5.8	112	24	32	18	11,268	482	50	18	12	68	848
Wageningen	1.7	15	0	30	8	558	19	52	127	158	71	59
Wiley- Blackwell	1.9	105	20	38	29	761	230	78	11	39	41	144
Wilfrid Laurier University Press	2.4	35	1	26	20	21	0	0	0	4	4	31
WIT Press	3.1	20	1	5	1	9	11	0	0	15	9	22
Woodhead Publishing	2.7	24	1	26	7	17	0	3	2	15	3	237
World Bank	8.6	165	32	34	22	10,050	4,231	7,448	12,498	691	16,600	19,902
World Scientific and Engineering	2.0	1	0	30	20	4	0	5	0	0	0	0
Yale University Press	0.0	141	54	32	20	31,640	1,024	673	412	140	145	6,471

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(UCB) University of	132	5	0	0.000	3.788	96.212
British Columbia	132	3	U	0.000	3.766	70.212
Press						
Anthem Press	2,000	282	97	4.850	9.250	85.900
ASM Press	555	79	27	4.865	9.369	85.766
Ateneo de Manila	242	2	0	0.000	0.826	99.174
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University	46.077	2.065	1072	2.202	( 150	01.5(0
Brill	46,977	3,965	1072	2.282	6.158	91.560
CABI	2,857	160	0	0.000	5.600	94.400
Cambridge	111,263	10,244	38	0.034	9.173	90.793
University Press						
Catena Verlag	162	0	0	0.000	0.000	100.000
Channel View	812	83	6	0.739	9.483	89.778
Publications						
CRC Press	64,787	6,427	5	0.008	9.912	90.080
De Gruyter	80,805	3,541	660	0.817	3.565	95.618
Duke University	6,091	1,253	6	0.099	20.473	79.429
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Earthscan	1,261	117	0	0.000	9.278	90.722
Publications Ltd.	1,201	11,	Ü	0.000	7.270	70.722
Edinburgh University	8,739	1,358	284	3.250	12.290	84.460
Press	0,737	1,550	204	3.230	12.270	04.400
Edward Elgar	20,276	1,259	1	0.005	6.204	93.791
Elsevier	171,050	7,536	164	0.005	4.310	95.594
	1,367	140	104	0.073	10.168	89.759
Equinox IEEE						
	56,003	8,212	7	0.012	14.651	85.336
Ios Press	3,227	306	155	4.803	4.679	90.518
Island Press	2,164	265	90	4.159	8.087	87.754
IWA Publishing	1,757	164	27	1.537	7.797	90.666
John Benjamins	7,488	882	404	5.395	6.384	88.221
Johns Hopkins	4,726	1,009	255	5.396	15.954	78.650
University Press						
Karger	4,486	165	0	0.000	3.678	96.322
Kluwer Academic	42,480	1,395	146	0.344	2.940	96.716
Publishers						
L'Harmattan	51,237	141	0	0.000	0.275	99.725
MIT Press	13,120	1,942	421	3.209	11.593	85.198
Nottingham Univer-	6	0	0	0.000	0.000	100.000
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Nova Science	16,921	2,168	998	5.898	6.914	87.188
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	118,716	16 767	0.5	0.072	14.052	05 076
Palgrave Macmillan		16,767	85	0.072		85.876
Praxis Publishing Ltd.	1,191	44	0	0.000	3.694	96.306

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ture	1 2 12	512	174	4.102	7.060	07.020
Rodopi	4,242	512	174	4.102	7.968	87.930
Routledge	296,550	18,376	228	0.077	6.120	93.803
Royal Society of	9,094	435	164	1.803	2.980	95.217
Chemistry						
Springer	573,931	44,928	423	0.074	7.754	92.172
Studium Press	83	0	0	0.000	0.000	100.000
Trans Tech Publica-	6,774	819	513	7.573	4.517	87.910
tions						
Transaction Publi-	2,244	285	0	0.000	12.701	87.299
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Universidad Nacional	5,677	38	0	0.000	0.669	99.331
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University of Cali-	8,941	1,758	432	4.832	14.831	80.338
fornia Press						
University of Chica-	13,052	2,786	89	0.682	20.663	78.655
go Press						
University of Illinois	5,422	1,340	467	8.613	16.101	75.286
Press		,				
University of New	1,548	462	60	3.876	25.969	70.155
Mexico Press						
University of North	4,132	1,067	247	5.978	19.845	74.177
Carolina Press	, -	,				
University of Penn-	7,894	1,445	66	0.836	17.469	81.695
sylvania Press	,	,				
University of	2,612	565	146	5.590	16.041	78.369
Washington Press	_,					, 0.0
Wageningen	10,592	17	0	0.000	0.160	99.840
Wiley-Blackwell	34,596	2,640	135	0.390	7.241	92.369
Wilfrid Laurier Uni-	1,111	242	28	2.520	19.262	78.218
versity Press	1,111	212	20	2.320	17.202	70.210
WIT Press	1,303	12	0	0.000	0.921	99.079
Woodhead	4,339	643	31	0.714	14.105	85.181
Publishing	7,339	043	31	0./17	14.103	05.101
World Bank	13,304	695	0	0.000	5.224	94.776
	22,151			2.862	3.350	
World Scientific		1,376	634			93.788
Yale University Press	13,434	2,524	300	2.233	16.555	81.212