

Review of: "[Commentary] To Publish Scientific Journals: For Some, the Big Business of the Century"

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The author has raised this very serious and timely issue in the scholarly publication scenario. Particularly in the case of developing countries, scholars, the APC charges are quite high and difficult to manage. Many institutions, lacking funds to do their core research, find it a burden to pay for the exorbitant APC.

The author has also raised the issue of the peer review process. The review process is a voluntary exercise; it takes a lot of time and expertise from the reviewers. This is a justified statement that if the publisher gets monetary benefit from the publication, either through close or open access publications, they should share a certain percent of the benefit with the reviewers. The provision of an honorarium will certainly encourage quality reviewers to do reviews.

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