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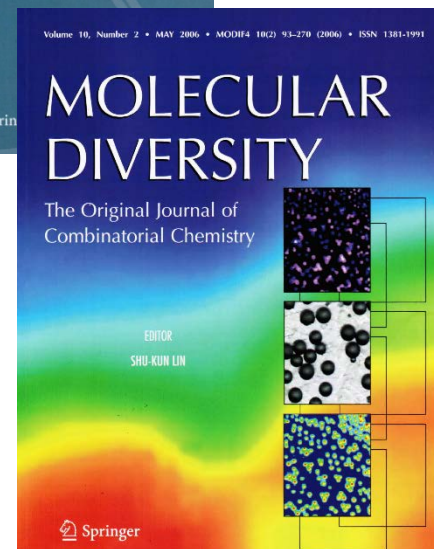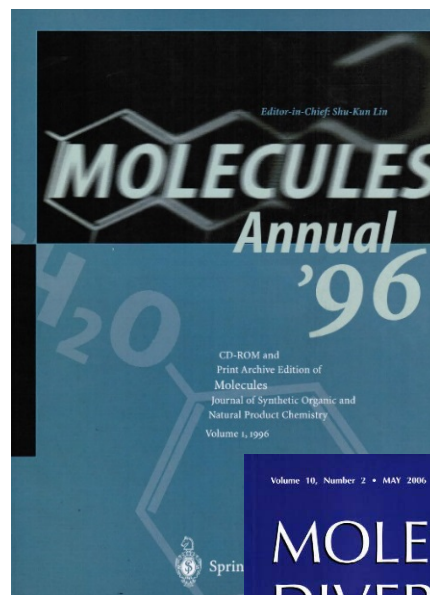# MDPI - 20 Years of OA

- MDPI was launched by Dr. Shu-Kun Lin, who received his Ph.D. from ETH in Zürich (Organic Chemistry)

- Initially Dr. Lin worked for Ciba Geigy (now Novartis) in early 90's

- Dr. Lin started MDPI in **1996** to preserve rare chemical samples from universities; launched *Molecules* that year to support the samples project, edited *Molecular Diversity* for Springer

- MDPI is one of the OA pioneers, publishing in OA model for 20 years

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268,301
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102,790
articles published since foundation of MDPI in 1996

15,700
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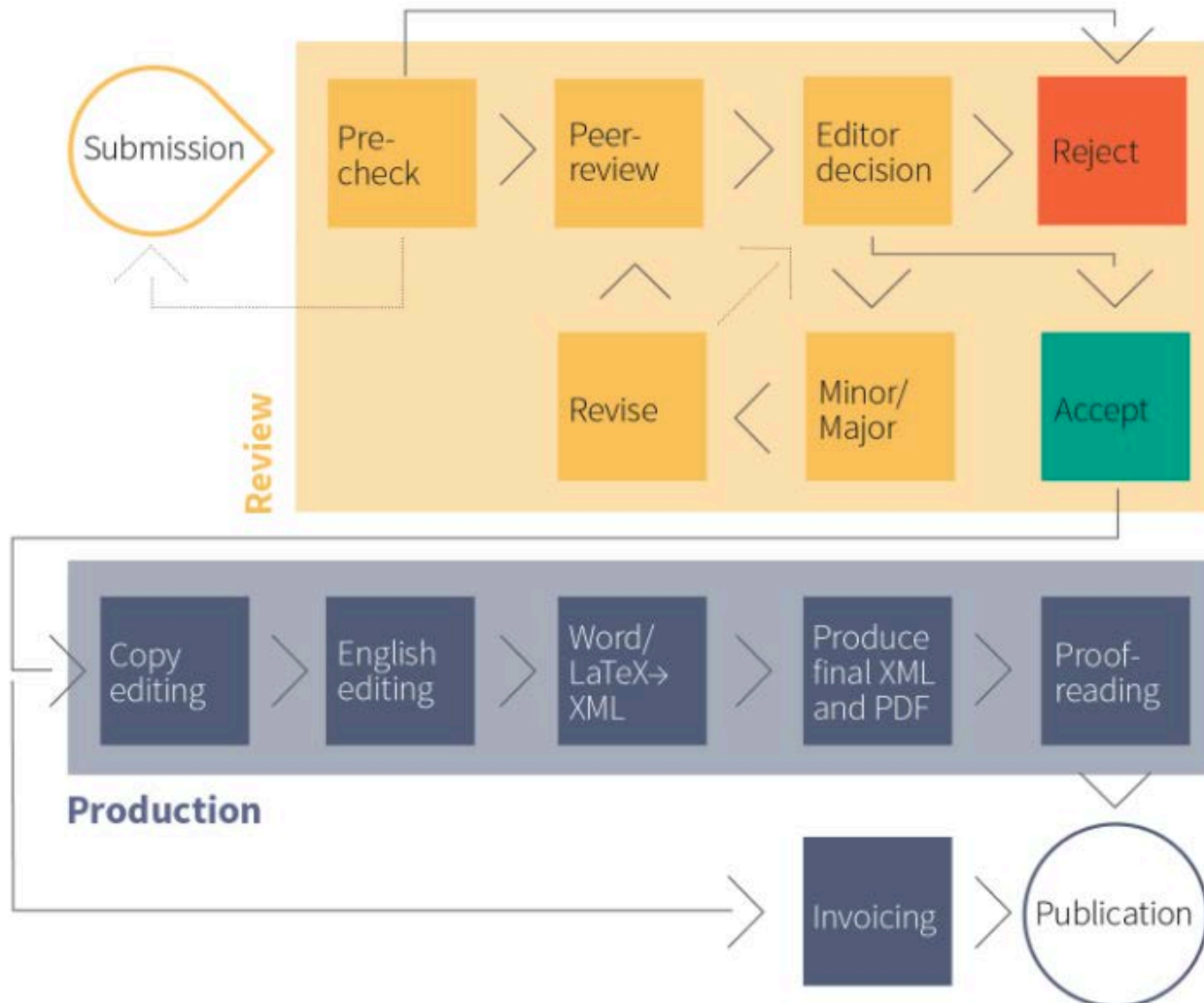unique academic authors in 2016

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articles published in 2016

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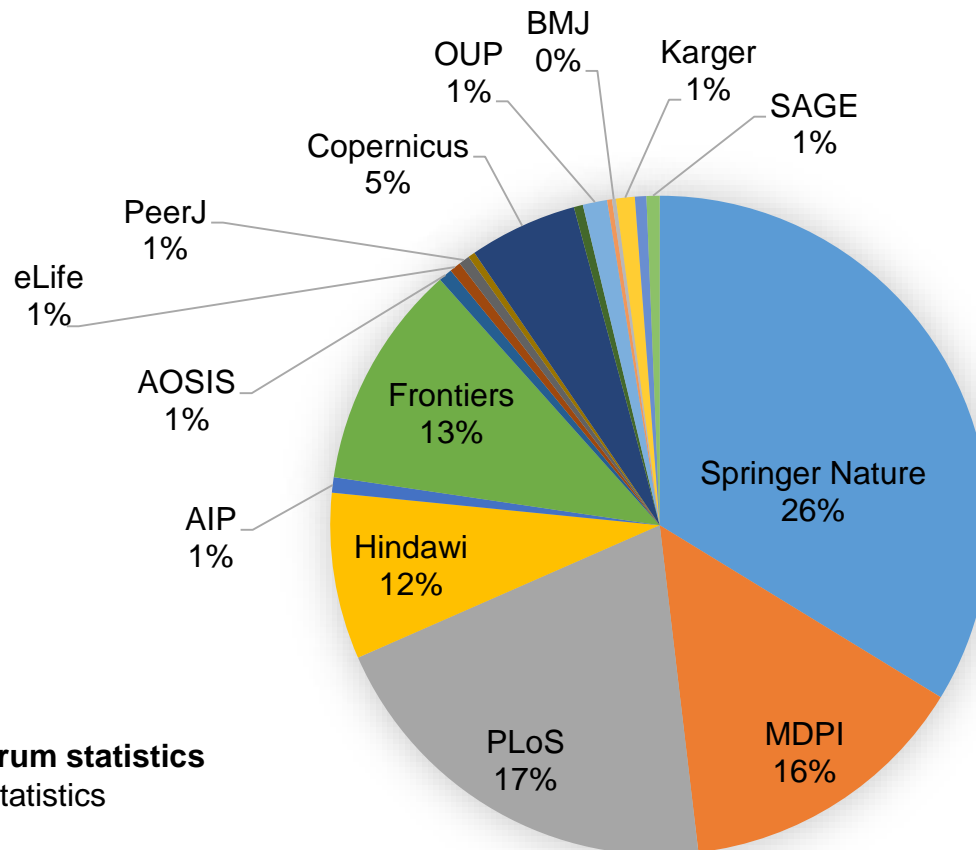
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Journal Portfolio

applied sciences

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26 % **Chemistry & Materials Science**

19 % **Medicine & Pharmacology**

14 % **Biology & Life Sciences**

11 % **Physical Sciences**

10 % **Engineering**

9 % **Environmental & Earth Sciences**

5 % **Public Health & Healthcare**

2 % **Social Sciences, Arts & Humanities**

2 % **Business & Economics**

2 % **Computer Science & Mathematics**
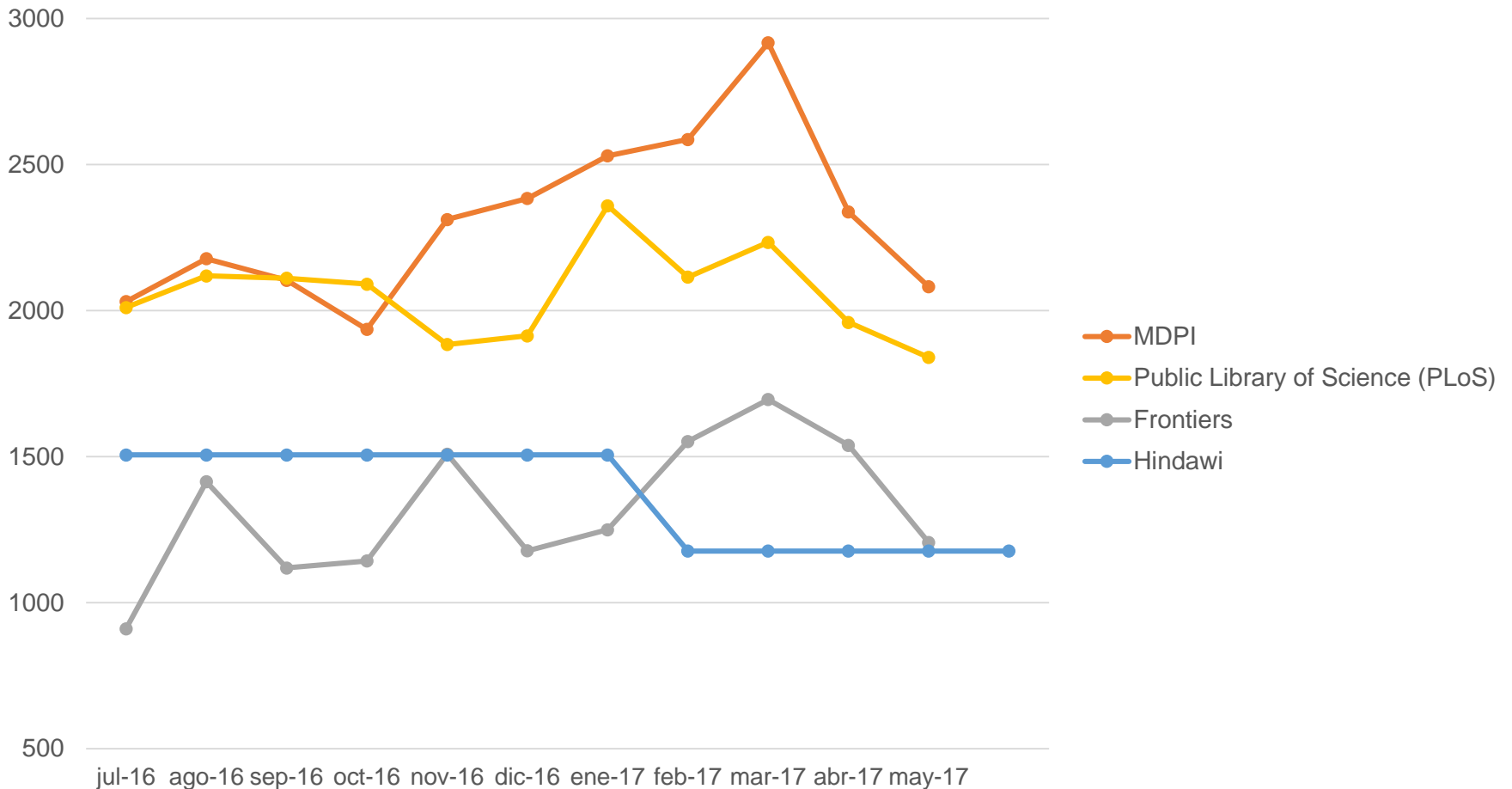
MDPI in the Open Access market

Distribution of OA Articles in 2016

- Springer Nature 26%
- MDPI 16%
- PLoS 17%
- Hindawi 12%
- AIP 1%
- Frontiers 13%
- AOSIS 1%
- eLife 1%
- PeerJ 1%
- Copernicus 5%
- OUP 1%
- BMJ 0%
- Karger 1%
- SAGE 1%

Source: **Sciforum statistics**
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MDPI employees

- 900+ employees

- 6 offices in Basel, Beijing, Wuhan, Barcelona, Belgrade

MDPI Headquarters
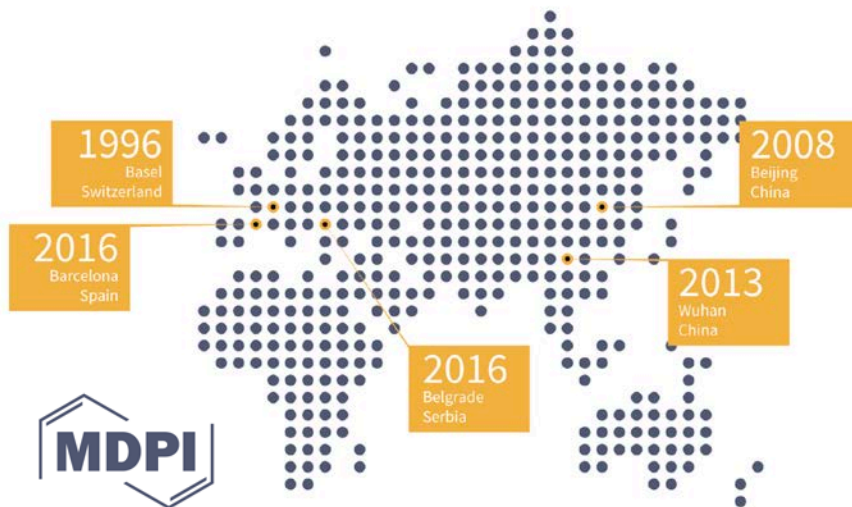Basel

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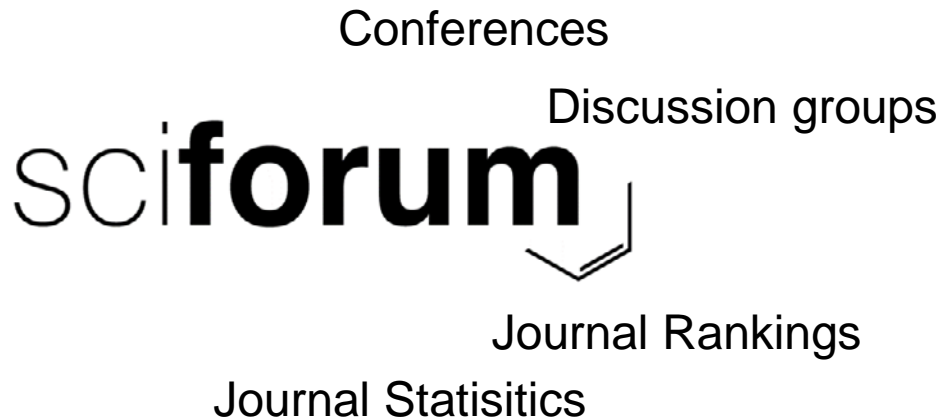
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