

COUNTING THE COSTS OF OPEN ACCESS

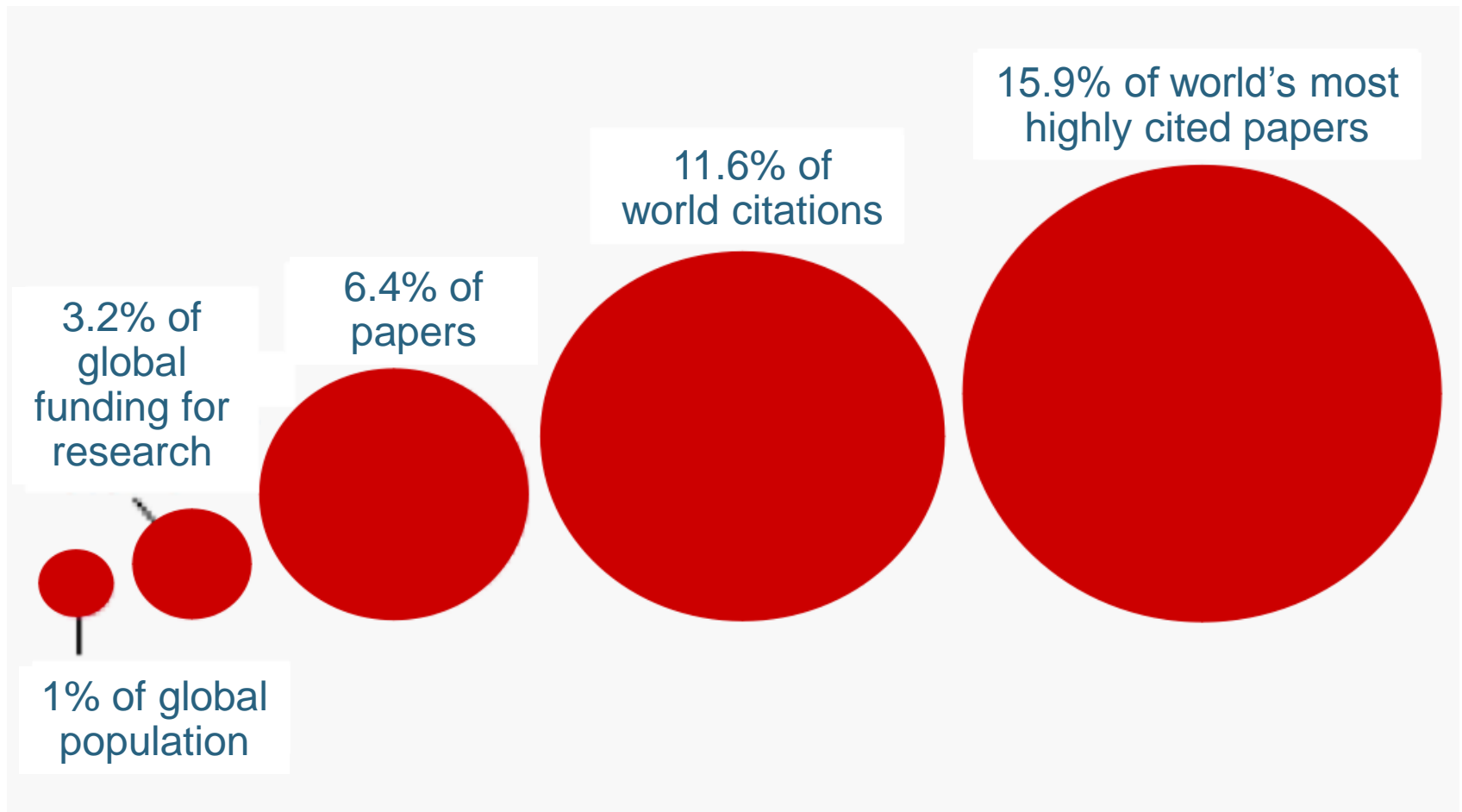
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COUNTING THE COSTS OF OPEN ACCESS

- For the UK
 - For institutions
 - For authors
 - For librarians and research managers
- ... and how can intermediaries help?



STRENGTH OF THE UK RESEARCH BASE



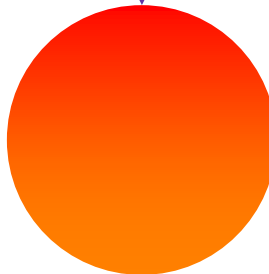
Source: International Comparative Performance of the UK Research Base – 2013, Elsevier

PUTTING IT IN PERSPECTIVE: UK SHARE OF GLOBAL RESEARCH

Globally, c. 2.2m research articles are published per annum



UK publishes c. 140,000 articles (6.4% of the total)



RCUK policy applies to c. 25,000 articles (1.1% of the total)



2014

Only 45% compliance is expected (0.5% of the total)



FROM PAYING TWICE TO PAYING THRICE?



X 3?

THE INSTITUTIONALISATION OF OPEN ACCESS



2001 – Repository established

2007 – University publication fund established

2009 – Institutional Open Access Policy adopted

THE INSTITUTIONALISATION OF OPEN ACCESS



2013 – Institutional OA policy rewritten to promote ‘green OA’

2014 – University publication fund withdrawn

WHAT ARE THE COSTS TO AUTHORS?



OPEN ACCESS AND THE RESEARCH EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK

4,316
pages

Combined length of
the institutional
submissions
submitted to a typical
REF Panel

Source: Association of Research
Managers and Administrators

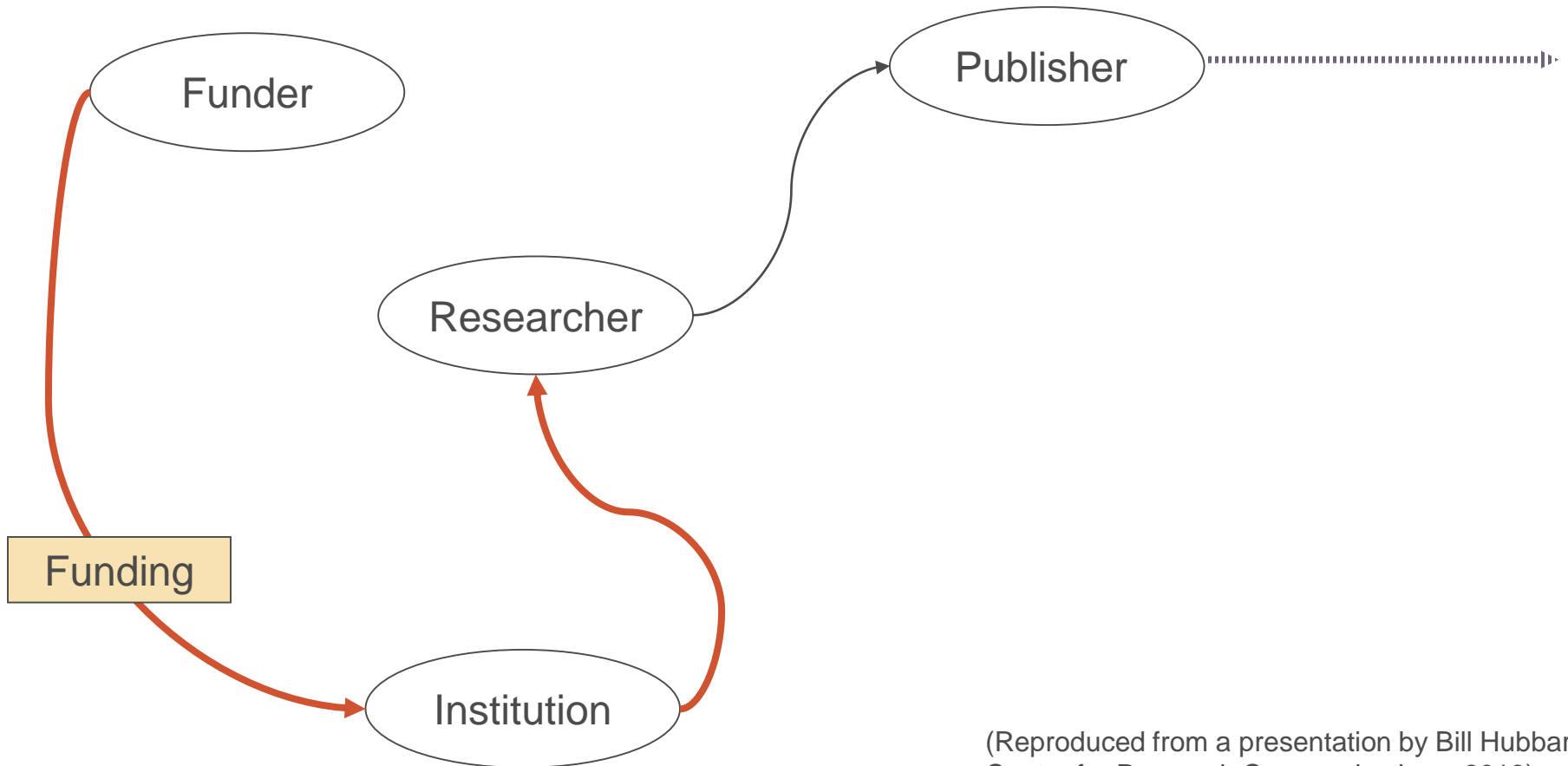


640
papers

Estimated
number of papers
a REF Panel
Member in
Physics must
read in a year

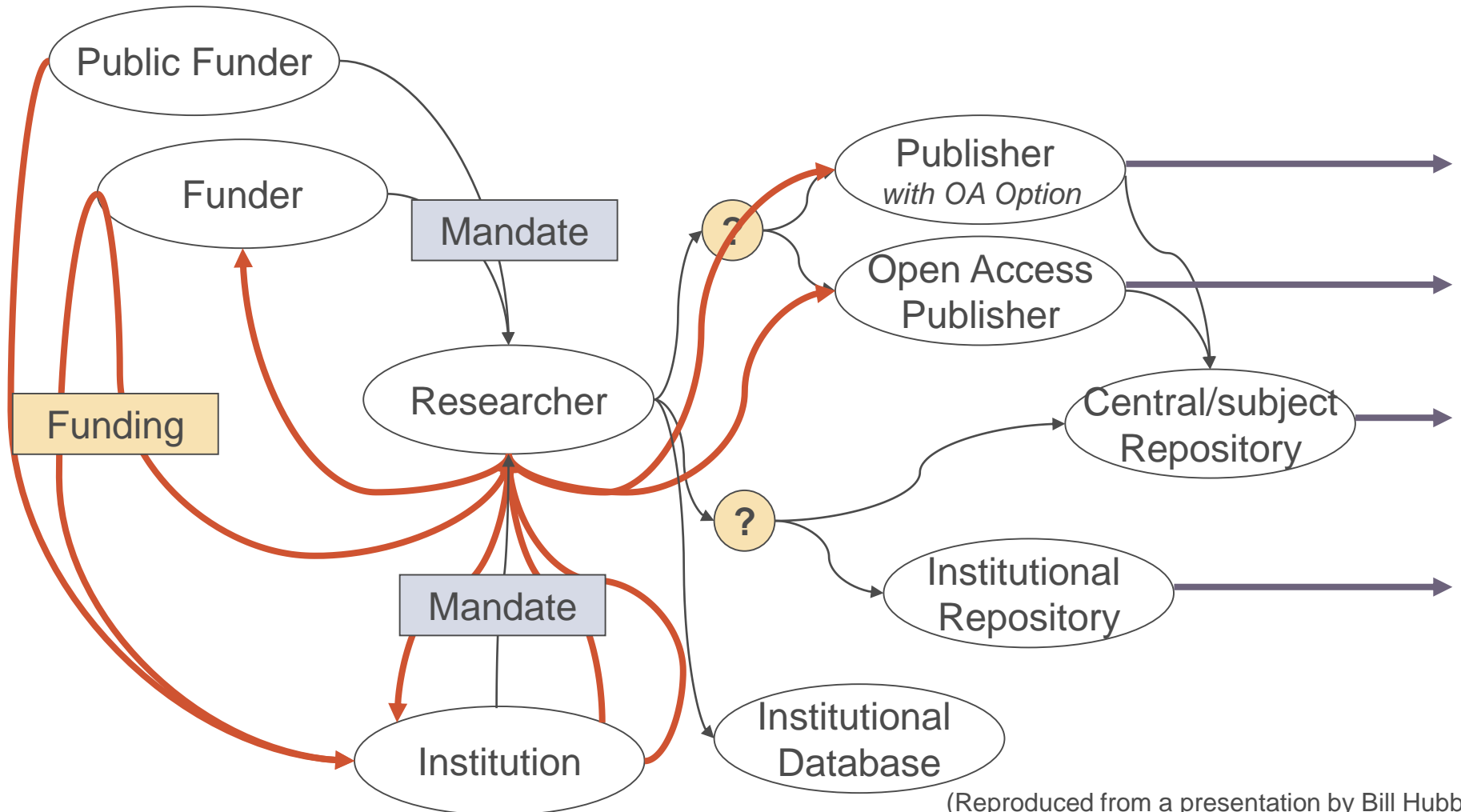
Source: Prof Peter Coles, "In the Dark"

RESEARCHERS VIEW FROM THE PAST . . .



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RESEARCHERS VIEW TODAY



LIBRARIANS AND RESEARCH MANAGERS

Now...



LIBRARIANS AND RESEARCH MANAGERS

Soon...



HOW CAN INTERMEDIARIES HELP?



1. Transaction management – including publisher prepayments
2. Improved author experience (but perhaps not yet?)
3. Data, data, data
 - Streamlining processes for managing compliance
 - Promoting adoption of standard metadata forms and unique identifiers

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