The **OAPEN Open Access Books Toolkit** is a brand new free resource for book authors, created through a collaborative writing process by global and diverse members of the academic community and scholarly communications organisations.

This poster describes the content and layout of the toolkit, the journey in developing it and its usage in the first month since launch.

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Introduction

1 Background

Lack of awareness and common misconceptions about open access (OA) for books form barriers to authors publishing OA books

2 What is it?

~30 articles on topics such as: Copyright & licensing, choosing a publisher, funding, peer review & quality assurance

3 Useful for authors

✓ Trusted resource
✓ Stakeholder-agnostic
✓ Easy-to-use & understand
✓ Content available for stages of the research lifecycle
✓ FAQs, keywords, glossary, myth busters
✓ For authors from around the world and from different disciplines
✓ Regularly updated

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Methods

Who is involved?

• Developed by OAPEN, Springer Nature, the University of Glasgow
• Based on workshops at R2R and hosted by the universities of Glasgow, Oxford, Utrecht
• Proposal shaped by Research Consulting
• Collaboratively written by a global Editorial Advisory Board

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Results

First month since launch

10,500 views
100 countries

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