Open Access Advocacy in Cytopathology

a. Traditional method of publishing due to lack of an alternative



b. Now alternative opportunity to publish in open access is a reality



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In the past, Open access models were not practically possible. The only possible model due to lack of an alternative was the **traditional model** (a), which has served the purpose at the cost of restricted access to valuable scientific information and copyright loss by the authors to their intellectual property. Now, with the advances in web technology and digitization, the **open access** (b) with its benefits to authors, readers, and ultimately the general public is a reality.

The Open Access (b) movement has been established successfully and it is imperative to put all our energy towards its continued success without getting nudged by any perceived or real pressures for the future of Cytopathology.

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