Reviewer's report

Title: "Predatory" Open Access - A longitudinal study of article volumes and market characteristics

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I have read over the revised manuscript carefully and I do not have any major concerns at this point, though I must register that I am still not happy with the use of the term "predatory" in describing certain sector of OA publishing.

The authors acknowledged that they cited verbatim some of my comments regarding the structurally inequality inherent in the global publishing system. (See page 14 on their cover letter, and page 14 in the manuscript). I am pleased that they concur with this observation. Perhaps they could acknowledge this in a footnote in the paper as the observation did not come directly from the authors.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

“I declare that I have no competing interests”