

How to select a journal to submit your article to?

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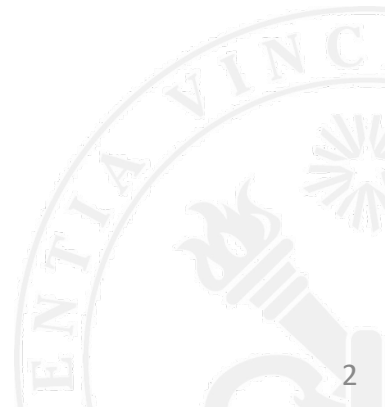
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1. Topic(s) dealt with by the journal

- Must be the same as or close to your article topic
- Check the *Aims and scopes* section and *Submission guidelines*
- Look at journals you read frequently for your research





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2. Type(s) of article published

- Ex. : original research, review article, popular article, ...
- Check the *Aims and scopes* section and *Submission guidelines*
- Browse the table of contents from last issues



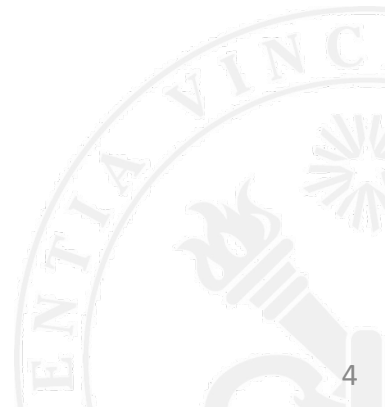
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3. Audience

- Ex. : researchers in the same field, in a related field, decision-makers, professionals, general public,...
- Check the *Aims and scopes* section and *Submission guidelines*

4. Publishing language

- Choice based on targeted audience
 - International scientific community = English
 - National or local audience = “local” language



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5. Lead time

= time from submission to decision, then to publication

- Generally from 6 to 12 months
- Favor special issues (publication time and costs often reduced)
- <https://scirev.org/> (shared experience)

Nature Materials

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% accepted last year	n/a
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Open access status	n/a
Manuscript handling fee?	n/a
Kind of complaint procedure	n/a
Two-year impact factor	n/a
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Duration of manuscript handling phases		
Duration first review round	2.3 mnths	compare →
Total handling time accepted manuscripts	3.0 mnths	compare →
Decision time immediate rejection	6 days	compare →
Characteristics of peer review process		
Average number of review reports	3.0	compare →
Average number of review rounds	1.7	compare →
Quality of review reports	2.3	compare →
Difficulty of reviewer comments	2.5	compare →
Overall rating manuscript handling	2.7 (range 0-5)	compare →

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7. Reputation of the journal

- Check its publisher
- Check the composition of its editorial board
- Check its review process
- Check its age and publication history
- Identify the authors of published articles
- Check if/where it is indexed
- Check its bibliometric indicators (IF, CiteScore, SJR,...)



BEWARE OF PREDATORY JOURNALS

JCII: Manuscript submission

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Greetings from our reputed Journal of Cellular Immunology and Immunotherapeutics- a Special Issue

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We will be looking forward to hear a positive response from you soon.

Have a blessed day ahead!!

With warm regards,
William Smith
Journal of Cellular Immunology and Immunotherapeutics

- Main criteria for unmasking them:
 - Compliance with codes of conduct (ex. : *Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association*)
 - Editor and staff (editorial/review board)
 - Editorial practices
 - Creation date and publication frequency
 - Listed in the **Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)**



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BEALL'S LIST OF POTENTIAL PREDATORY JOURNALS AND PUBLISHERS

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 Search for publishers (name or URL)

Potential predatory scholarly open-access publishers

Instructions: first, find the journal's publisher – it is usually written at the bottom of the journal's webpage or in the "About" section. Then simply enter the publisher's name or its URL in the search box above. If the journal does not have a publisher use the [Standalone Journals](#) list.

All journals published by a predatory publisher are potentially predatory unless stated otherwise.

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This is an archived version of the Beall's list – a list of potential predatory publishers created by a librarian [Jeffrey Beall](#). We will only update links and add notes to this list.

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Hijacked Journal

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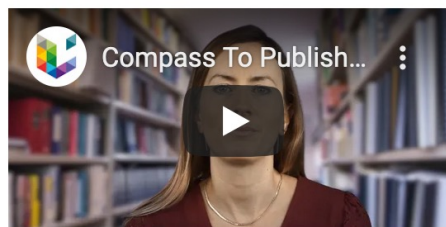
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Are you suspicious of a journal's authenticity? Is it a **predatory journal**?

These are legitimate questions if you're invited to submit a paper that:

- promises your rapid publication;
- has procedures and/or policies that look suspicious;
- is outside of your area(s) of expertise.



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1. Trusted lists

Question	Answers
👁️ Is the journal indexed in the DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals)? Check here.	Yes (10) - No (0) - I don't know (0)
👁️ Is the journal hosted on one of the Open Access platforms below? Check OpenEdition PoPuPS SciELO	Yes (15) - No (0) - I don't know (0)
👁️ Is the publisher or the journal a member of OASPA (the Open Access Scholarly Publishers Associati...	Yes (10) - No (0) - I don't know (0)
👁️ Is the publisher or the journal a member of COPE (the Committee on Publication Ethics)? Check here	Yes (10) - No (0) - I don't know (0)
👁️ Is the journal published by a well-known publisher?	Yes (10) - No (0) - I don't know (0)

2. Lists of alleged predatory journals and publishers (often referred to as *blacklists*)

Question	Answers
👁️ 🔗 Is the journal included the DOAJ's list of journals claiming to be indexed in DOAJ (Directory of ...	Yes (-10) - No (0) - I don't know (0)
👁️ 🔗 Is the journal or publisher included in one of the lists on the website Stop Predatory Journals?	Yes (-5) - No (0) - I don't know (0)

3. Hijacked journals

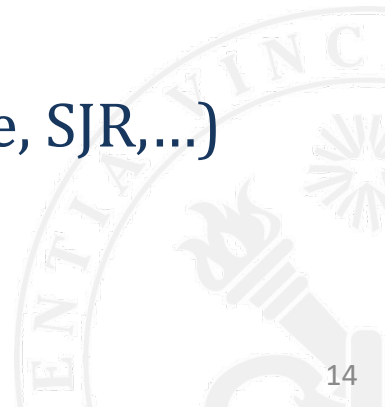
Question	Answers
👁️ 🔗 Is the ISSN or eISSN included on the journal's website authentic? Check here.	Yes (0) - No (-10) - I don't know (0)
👁️ 🔗 Is the journal you are testing a hijacked journal?	Yes (-10) - No (0) - I don't know (0)

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Dark red	Your answers indicate that the journal is very likely to be predatory. It is best to avoid it altogether.
Medium red	This journal is highly suspicious. There are many signs indicating it may be a predatory journal.
Light red	This journal looks risky.
Yellow	Your answers make it hard to determine whether or not this may be a predatory journal.
Light green	The risk that this may be a predatory journal is fairly limited.
Medium green	This is most likely not a predatory journal.
Dark green	Rest assured! Everything seems to indicate that this journal is very unlikely to be predatory.

7. Reputation of the journal

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8. Business model of the journal

- Traditional model: “reader-pays”
- Open Access model: free access with sometimes Article Processing Charges (“author-pays”)
- Hybrid model: APC to pay in order to make the article freely accessible in a “traditional” journal
- Delayed OA model: access restricted to subscribers for a certain embargo period, then freely available



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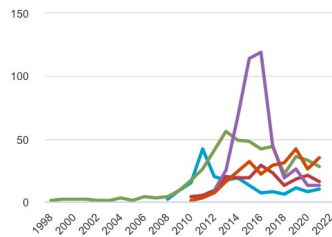
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Journal of Raman Spectroscopy

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Aims and scope



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Speed



Responsiveness — Not Provided

Time from submission to first decision after peer review	Not Provided
Time to immediate reject	Not Provided

Publication speed — Not Provided

Time from acceptance to print	Not Provided
Total time to publication	Not Provided
Time from submission to acceptance	Not Provided
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