

# Research Skills

## Session 11: Target Suitable Journal

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# Abstract

Researchers aim to publish papers in the top level journals and conferences. There are several reasons for targeting a high quality journal, such as, secure funding, obtain promotion, disseminate the knowledge, and increase your research visibility and impact. In this workshop Dr. Nader, “Research Visibility and Impact Consultant”, will talk about how to select a proper journal for your manuscript by using some techniques and “Research Tools”. The Research Tools enable researchers to follow the correct path in research and ultimately produce high-quality research outputs with more accuracy and efficiency.

**Keywords:** Research Tools, Research Visibility, Research Impact, Bibliometrics

**Do Research,  
Don't Re-Search**

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# Research Tools Mind Map

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## OATD

## & many more Research Tools



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## (1) Searching the literature

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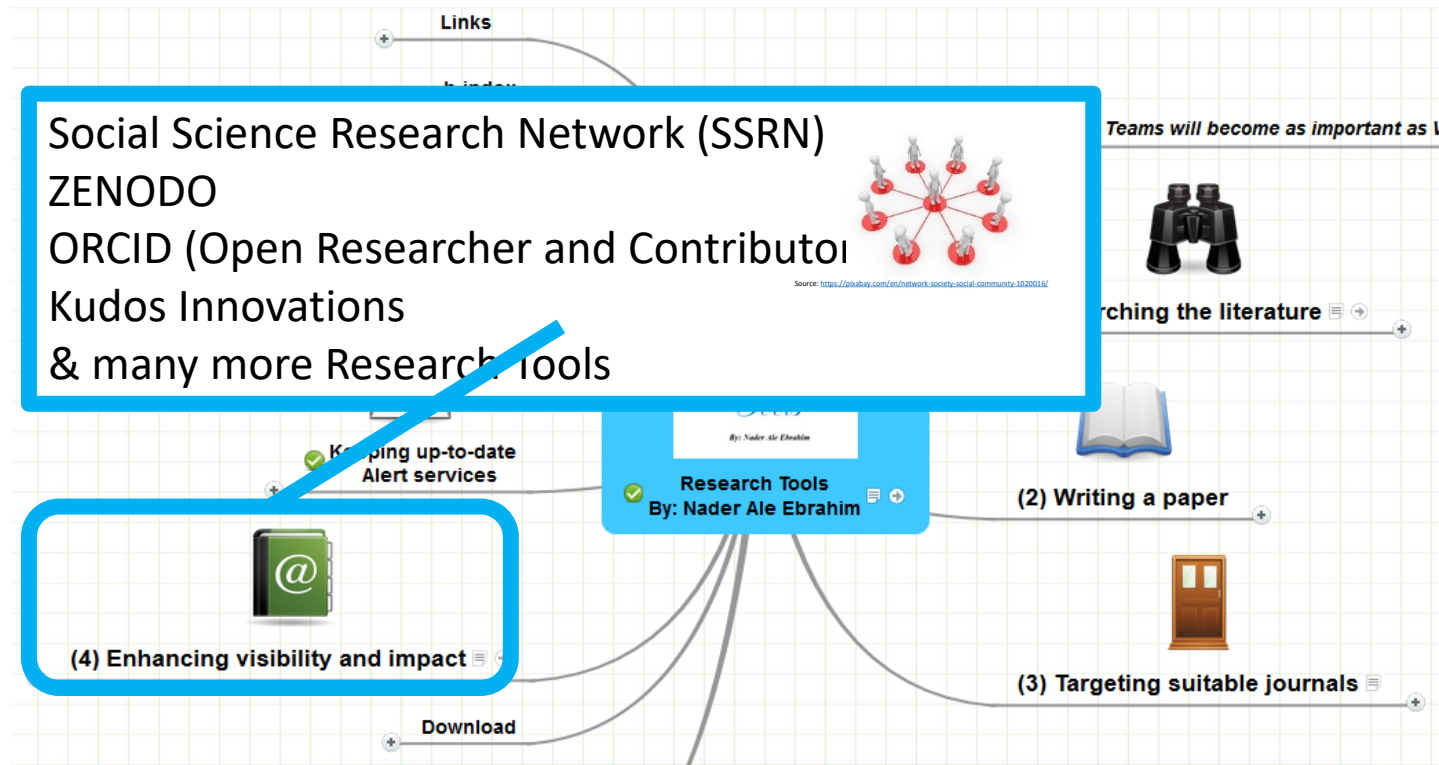
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### (3) Targeting suitable journals

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# Research Tools Mind Map



## *Session*      *Topic*

1. Introduction
2. Selecting keywords
3. Finding Research Papers
4. Evaluate a paper quality
5. Managing Research
6. Read a paper
7. Indexing Desktop Research Tools
8. Avoid Scientific Misconduct
9. Writing a Paper
10. Improve paper quality
11. Target Suitable Journal
12. Improve your Research Visibility and Impact

# Tasks for the first session

**1. Structure & planning your research** (Draw the literature map)

**2. Read:**

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- Cottrell, S. (2005). [\*Critical thinking skills - Developing Effective Analysis and Argument\*](#). Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Chapter 3 of “Creswell, J. W. (2012). [\*Educational research: Planning, Conducting, and Evaluating Quantitative and Qualitative Research\*](#) (4th ed.). Boston: Pearson Education, Inc”
- Chapter 3 of “Saunders, M., Lewis, P., & Thornhill, A. (2009). [\*Research methods for business students\*](#) (5th ed.). Edinburgh Gate, Harlow, Essex CM20 2JE, England: Pearson Education Limited.”



# Tasks for the second session

1. Create the log file for your search term/s
2. Identify the main keywords set for your research
3. Identify the alternative keywords set for your research
4. Evaluate the search terms
5. Looking for selected keywords sets on:
  - ✓ SCOPUS
  - ✓ Web of Science Core Collection
6. Write the methodology used for selecting the final keywords set

# Tasks for the third session

1. Install a reference management software
2. Download selected papers (based on the final keywords set) into the reference management software

# Tasks for the fourth session

1. Measure the downloaded papers/journal's quality
2. Rate the downloaded papers in your Desktop  
Endnote library
3. Turn on Alert system in Scopus, WoS and other  
databases based on the selected papers

# Tasks for the fifth session

1. Create your own thesis/paper table of contents
2. Identify the main topics from your collected documents
3. Create your literature review/Thesis Mind Map
4. Plan your Thesis/Paper writing process

# Task for the sixth session

1. Read [Keshav, S. \(2007\). How to read a paper. \*ACM SIGCOMM Computer Communication Review\*, 37\(3\), 83-84.](#)

# Tasks for the seventh session

1. Install Dtsearch and create a report based on the most frequent keywords
2. Use VOSviewer to create some visual figures for your manuscript
3. Create database on Dtsearch
4. Generate a Microsoft Word file from a search results of Dtsearch

# Tasks for the eighth session

1. Explore “retraction watch” and “Retraction Watch Database” web site (<https://retractionwatch.com/> and <http://retractiondatabase.org> ) and list 5 scientific misconduct in your area of research
2. Measure similarity rate of your manuscript

# Tasks for the ninth session

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2. Write an introductory paragraph

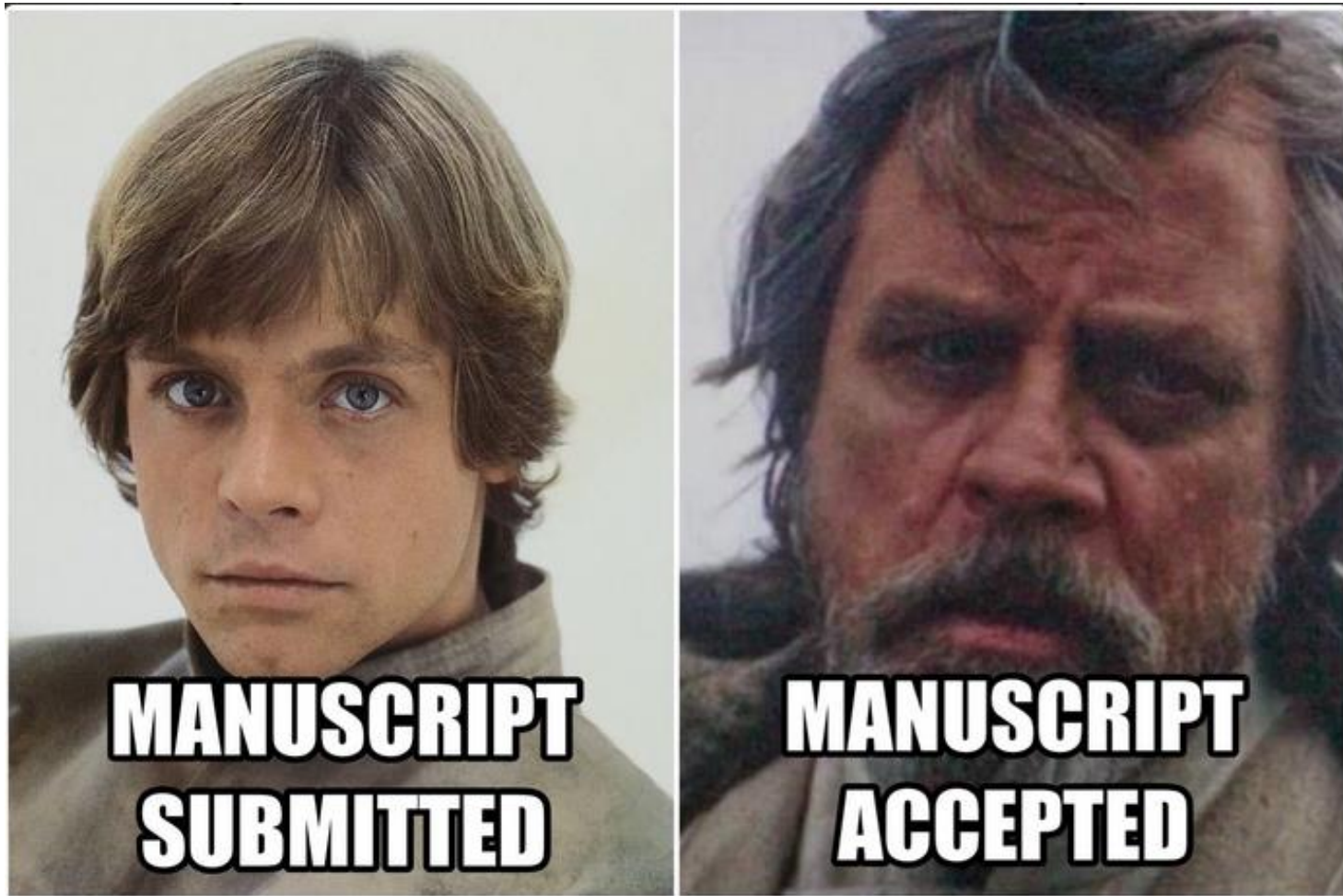


# Tasks for the tenth session

1. Write an integrating arguments paragraph
2. Write a structured abstract
3. Create a literature review table
4. Write a first draft of the literature review manuscript

# Outline

No.	Topic
1	Manuscript submission procedure
2	Author Self Check
3	Cover Letter Development
4	The peer review process
5	PEER REVIEW CHECKLIST
6	Target suitable journal
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**Is the abstract addressed the summary of the manuscript?**

**Are the keywords selected wisely?**

**Is the content of the paper treated original and innovating?**

**Is the methodology well discussed (clear and accurate)?**

**Are the paper structure and all figures well designed?**

**Are all tables and figures in the paper useful and commented in the text?**

# Author Self Check- Con.

**Are the parameters, legends and units well described in the figures and its axis?**

**Is the nomenclature in the paper well described in the equations and the text?**

**Is the introduction of the paper dealt the relevant topics?**

**Are the experimental apparatus and procedure clearly described?**

**Are the conclusions supported by derived results of this work?**

**Are the references used latest and appropriate?**

**Is the standard language used?**

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- Why the research is proper to the readers of the journal
- Relationship to prior publication
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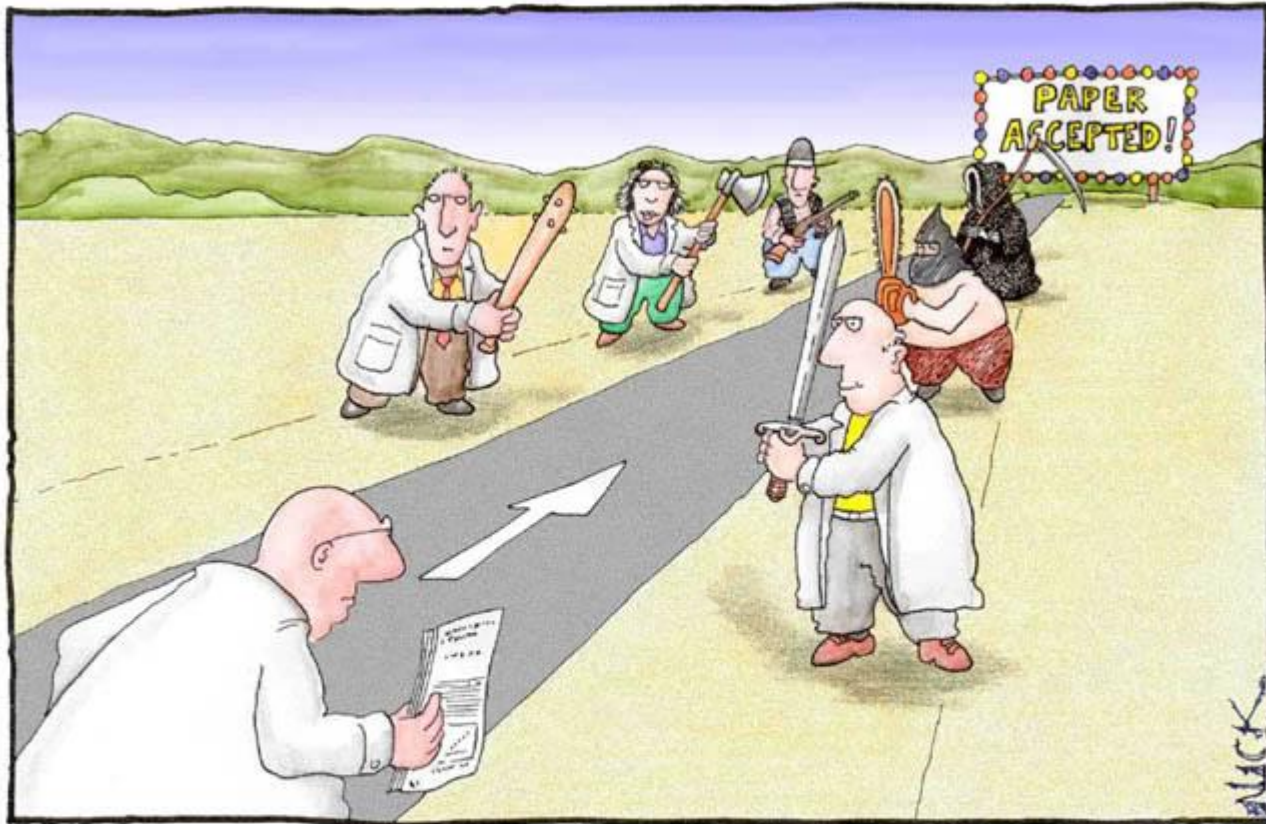
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- 2.The journal editor checks the paper against the journal's aims and scope.
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- 5.The editor checks the reviews and sends them to the author(s), with any extra guidance. If there are revisions, the author(s) decides whether to make these and re-submit.
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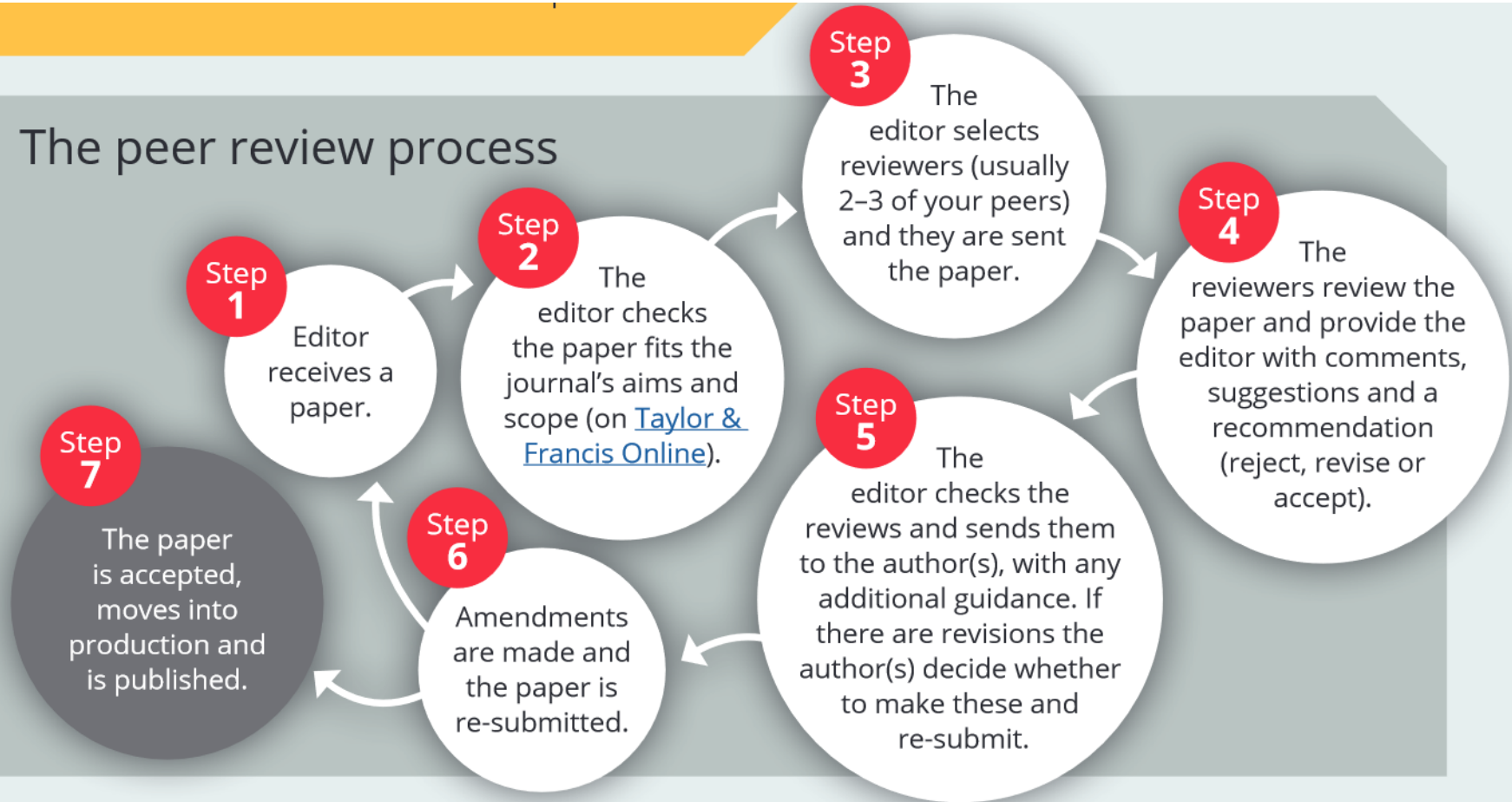




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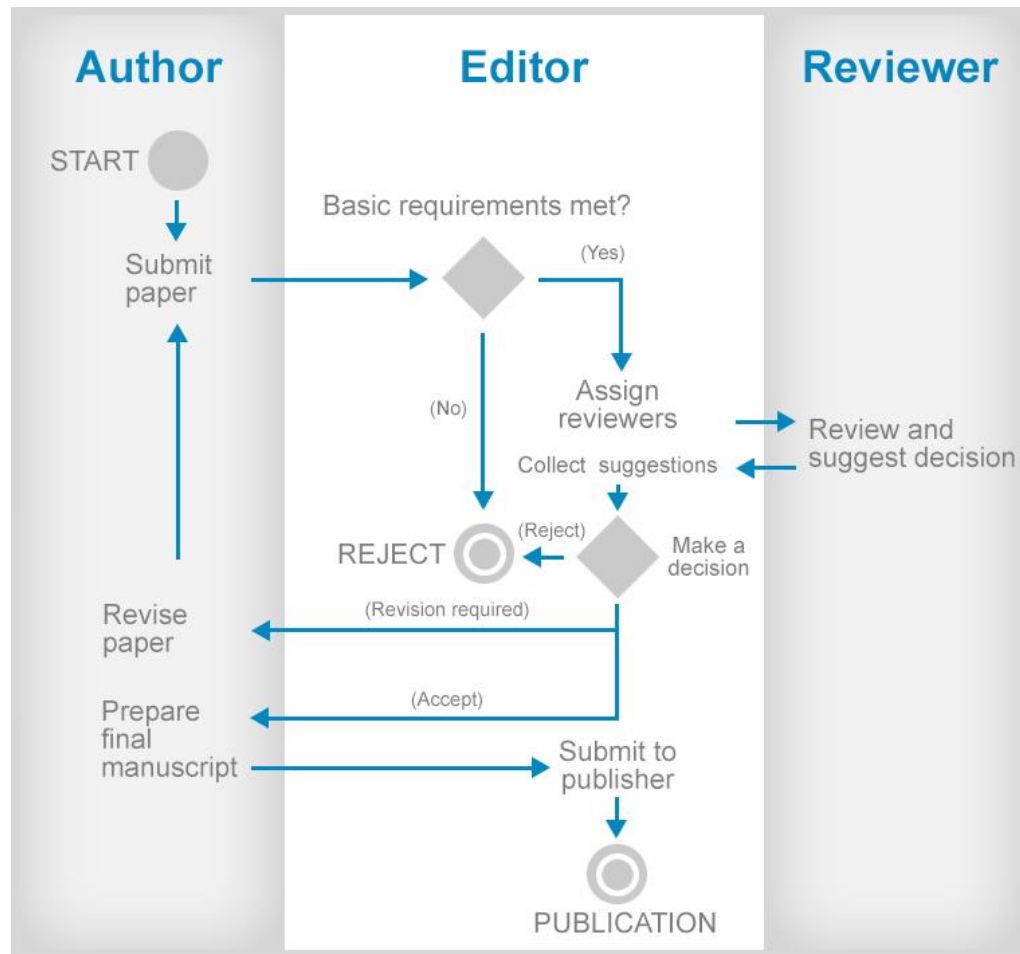
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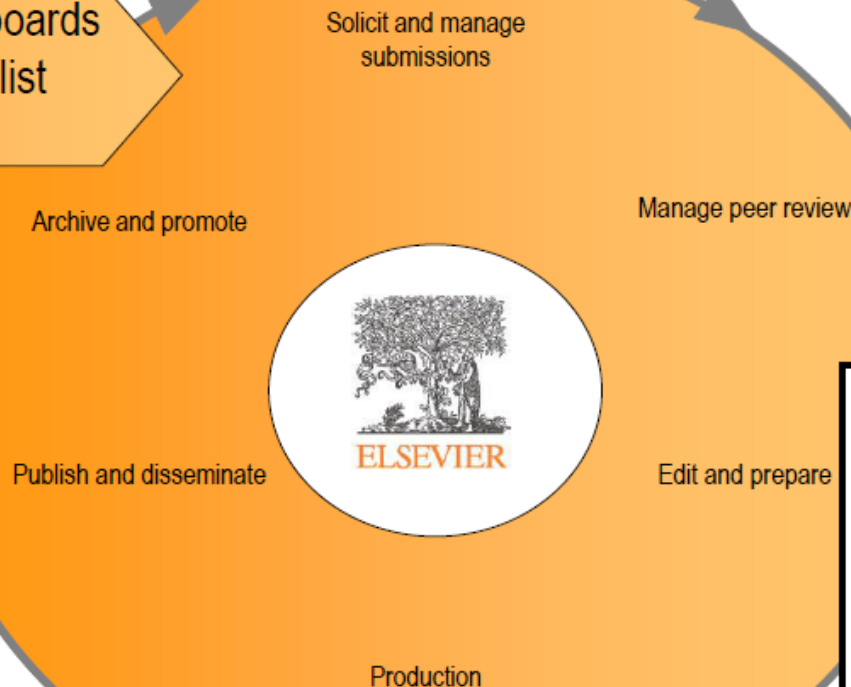
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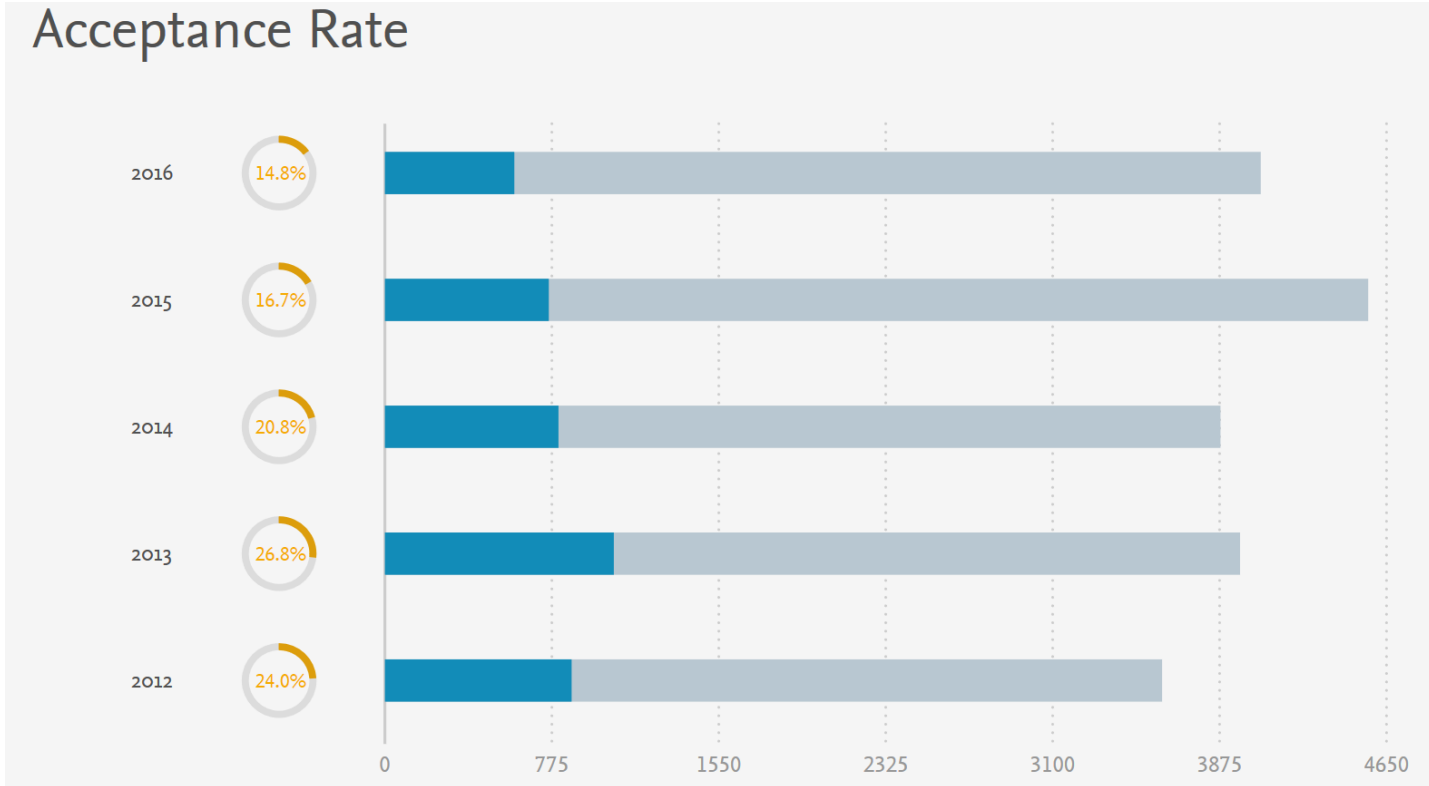


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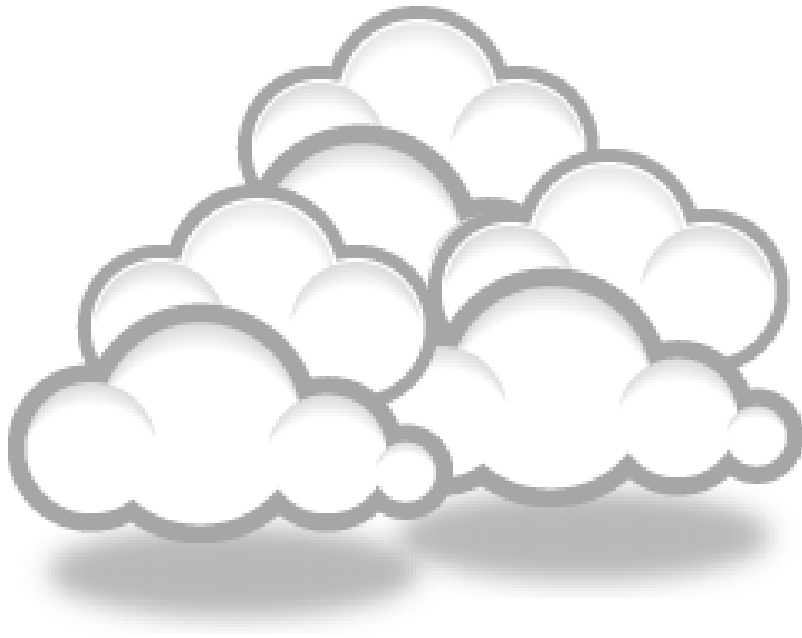
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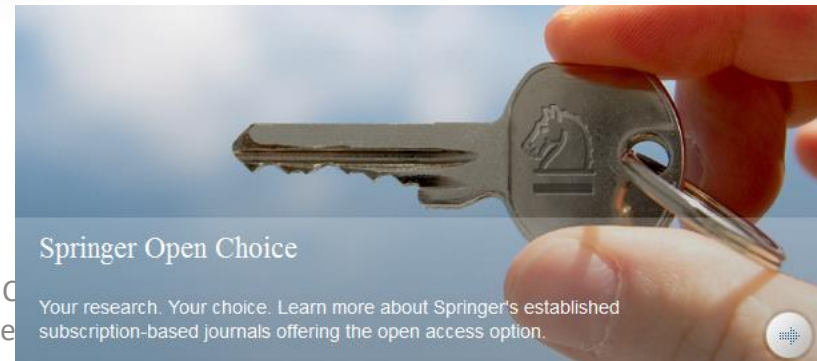
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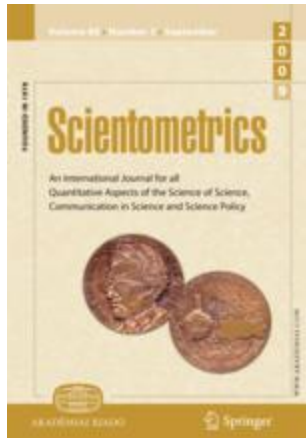
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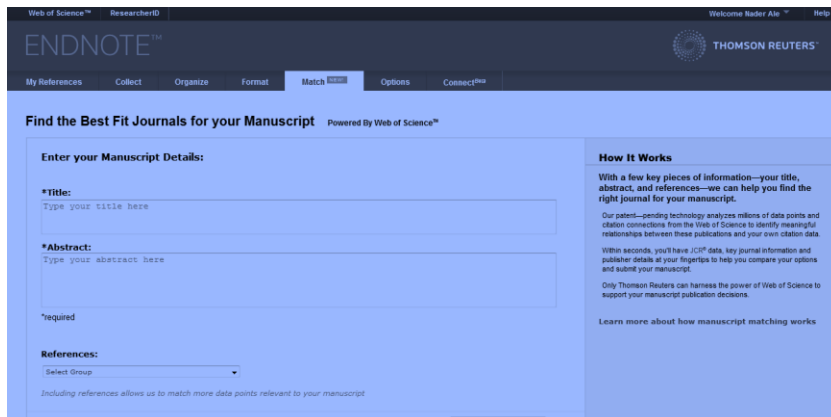
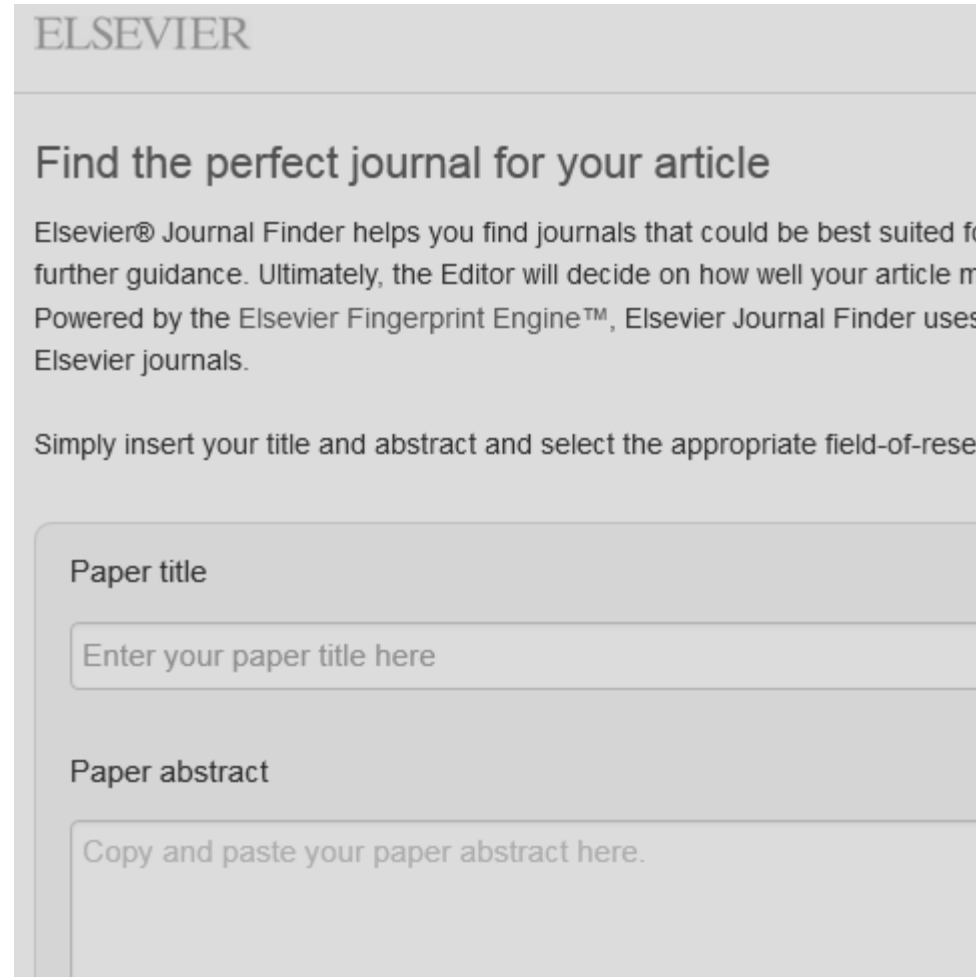
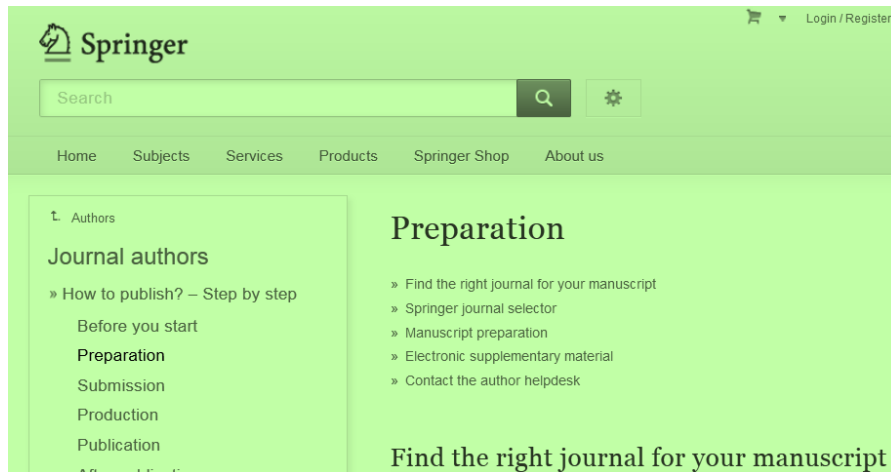
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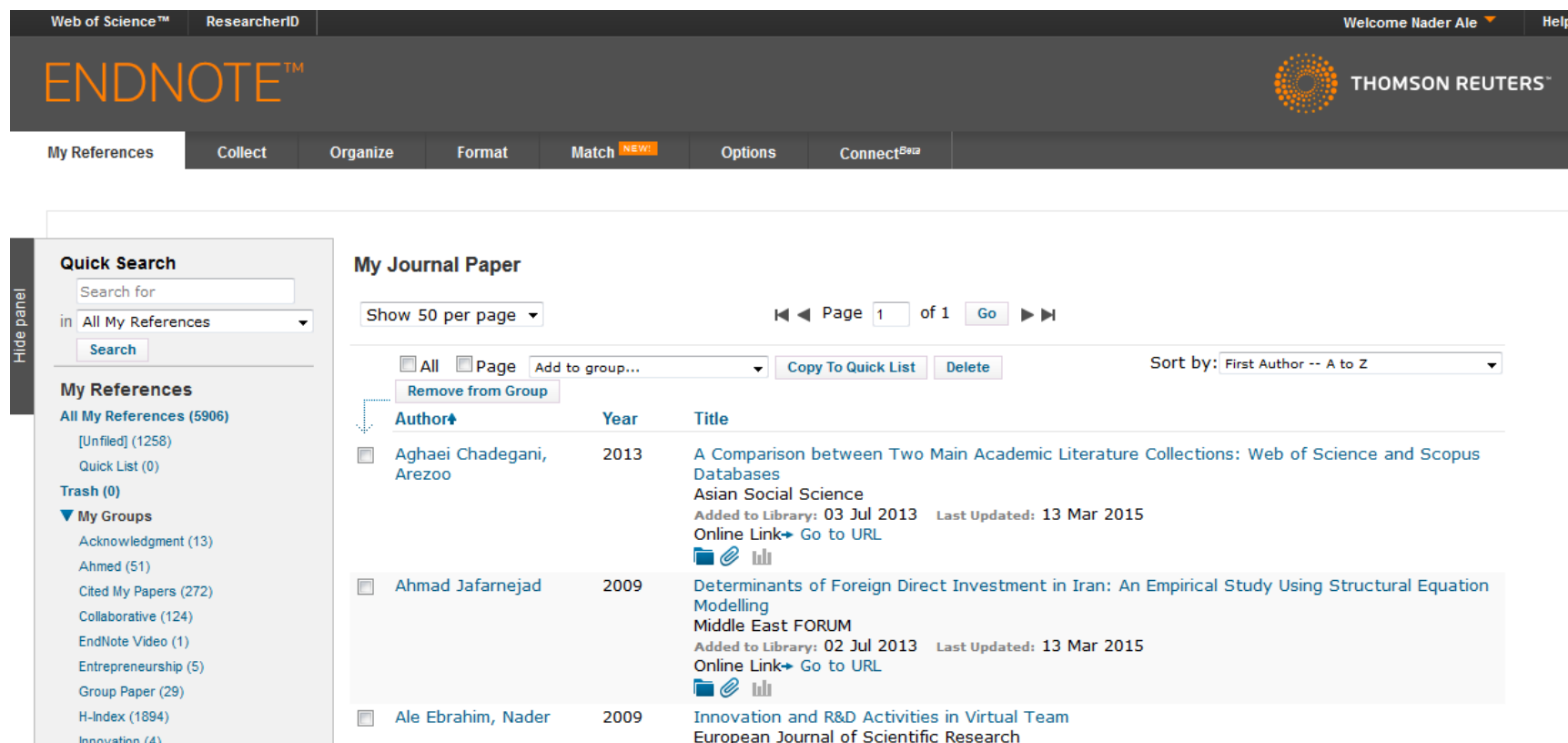
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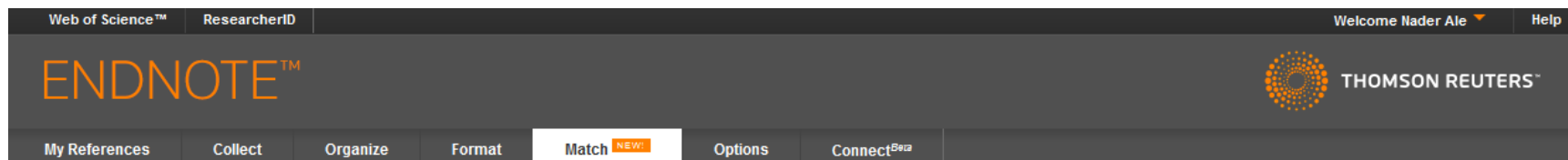
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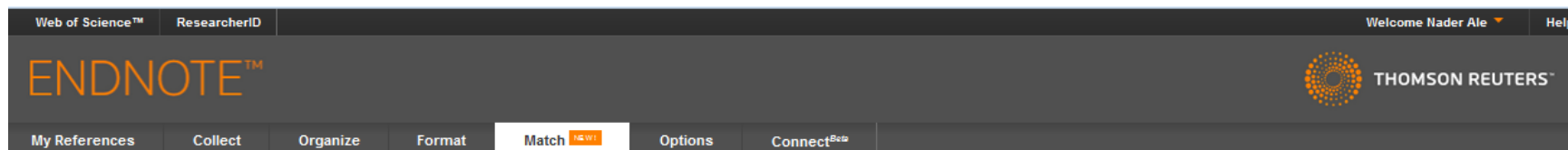
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# Where should I submit my publication?

## If you want your article to ...

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- Publish in most influential or highly cited journal
  - Use Impact Factor or
  - 5 Year Impact Factor (for subjects need longer citation period, e.g. GEOLOGY or MANAGEMENT or SOCIOLOGY, etc)
- To reach out to readers and be read immediately
  - Use Immediacy Index
- Stay active in journal collection
  - Use Cited Half Life

*Note: The above only serves as general guidelines, deeper understanding of JCR, the subjects and dynamic publication cycles are crucial when deciding where to publish your paper.*

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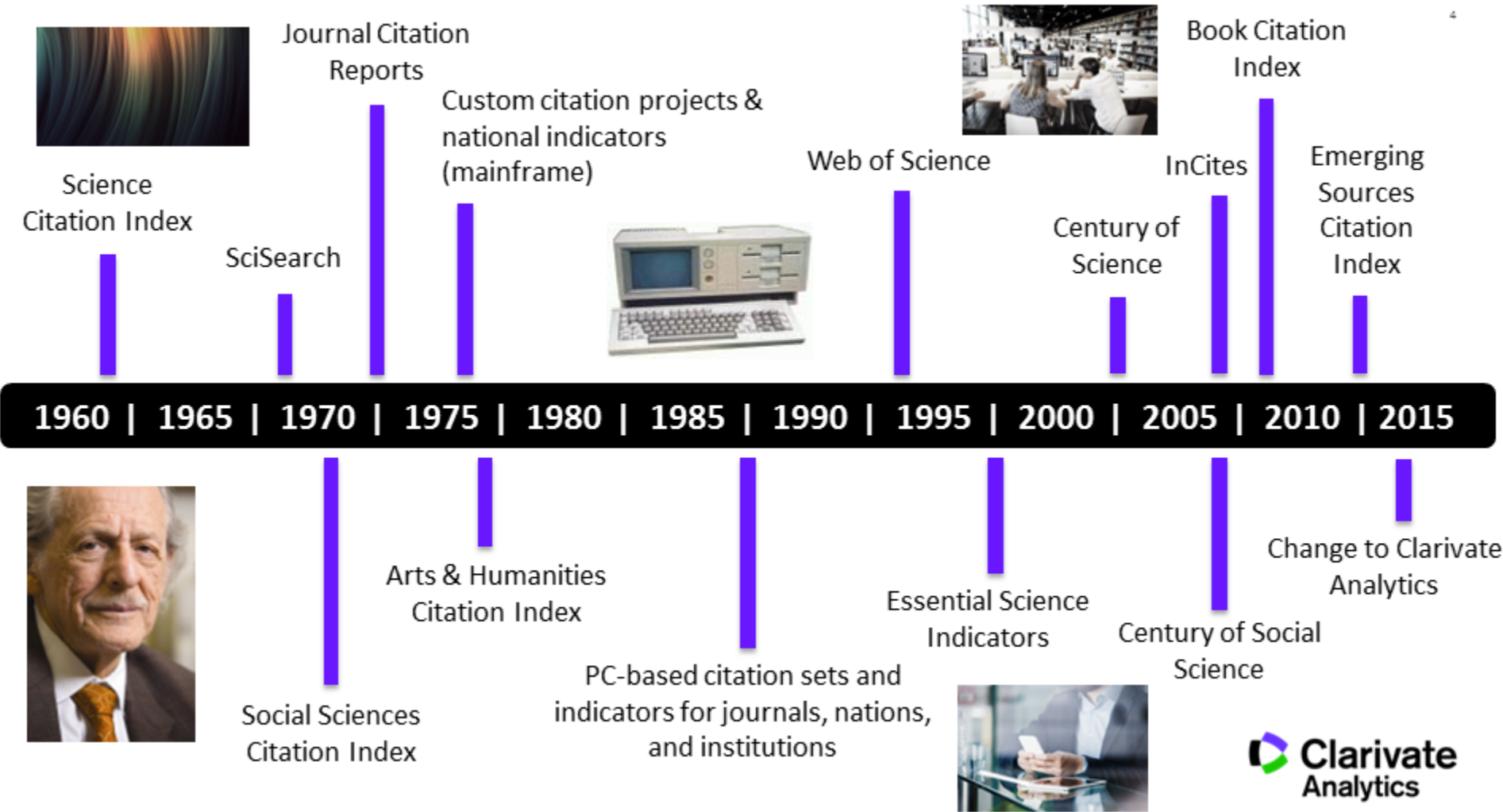
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# Identifying Key Journals in the field: Search keywords on WoS

The screenshot displays the Web of Science search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links to 'Web of Science™', 'InCites™', 'Journal Citation Reports®', 'Essential Science Indicators™', and 'EndNote™'. On the right, there are links for 'Sign In', 'Help', and 'English'. Below this, the 'WEB OF SCIENCE™' logo and 'THOMSON REUTERS™' are visible. A secondary navigation bar includes a 'Search' button, a dropdown menu for 'Web of Science™ Core Collection', and links for 'My Tools', 'Search History', and 'Marked List'. A welcome message reads: 'Welcome to the new Web of Science! [View a brief tutorial.](#)'

The main search area features a 'Basic Search' dropdown. The search input field contains the query: 'Bibliometrics OR "Top Cited" OR "Highly Cited" OR "Top 100" OR "Top Papers"'. To the right of the input field is a 'Title' dropdown and a 'Search' button. A link for 'Click here for tips to improve your search.' is also present. Below the search bar, there are links for '+ Add Another Field' and 'Reset Form'.

The 'TIMESPAN' section shows the 'All years' radio button selected. Below it, the 'From' date is set to '1980' and the 'to' date is set to '2016'. A link for 'MORE SETTINGS' is located at the bottom of this section.

# Identifying Key Journals in the field: Check the highest “Record Count”

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Publication Years  
Research Areas  
Source Titles

Show the top 10 Results.  
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☐ Selected field

Analyze

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☒ View Records  
☐ Exclude Records

	Field: Source Titles	Record Count	% of 768	Bar Chart
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<input type="checkbox"/>	PROCEEDINGS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SCIENTOMETRICS AND INFORMETRICS	17	2.214 %	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	LIBRARY JOURNAL	14	1.823 %	
<input type="checkbox"/>	JOURNAL OF INFORMETRICS	12	1.563 %	

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# Identifying Key Journals in the field: Select the JCR “Categories By Rank”

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
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15	AUTOMATION & CONTROL SYSTEMS	SCIE	58	193,287	1.340	2.134
16	BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES	SCIE	51	294,638	2.350	3.189
17	BIOCHEMICAL RESEARCH METHODS	SCIE	79	659,254	2.341	3.496
18	BIOCHEMISTRY & MOLECULAR BIOLOGY	SCIE	290	3,273,847	2.672	4.149
19	BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION	SCIE	44	136,893	1.249	2.551
20	BIOLOGY	SCIE	85	387,568	1.375	2.572
21	BIOPHYSICS	SCIE	73	558,244	2.627	3.259
22	BIOTECHNOLOGY & APPLIED MICROBIOLOGY	SCIE	163	1,015,446	2.125	3.267
23	BUSINESS	SSCI	115	294,076	1.400	1.745
24	BUSINESS, FINANCE	SSCI	88	136,242	0.936	1.321



# Identifying Key Journals in the field: Select the JCR Category

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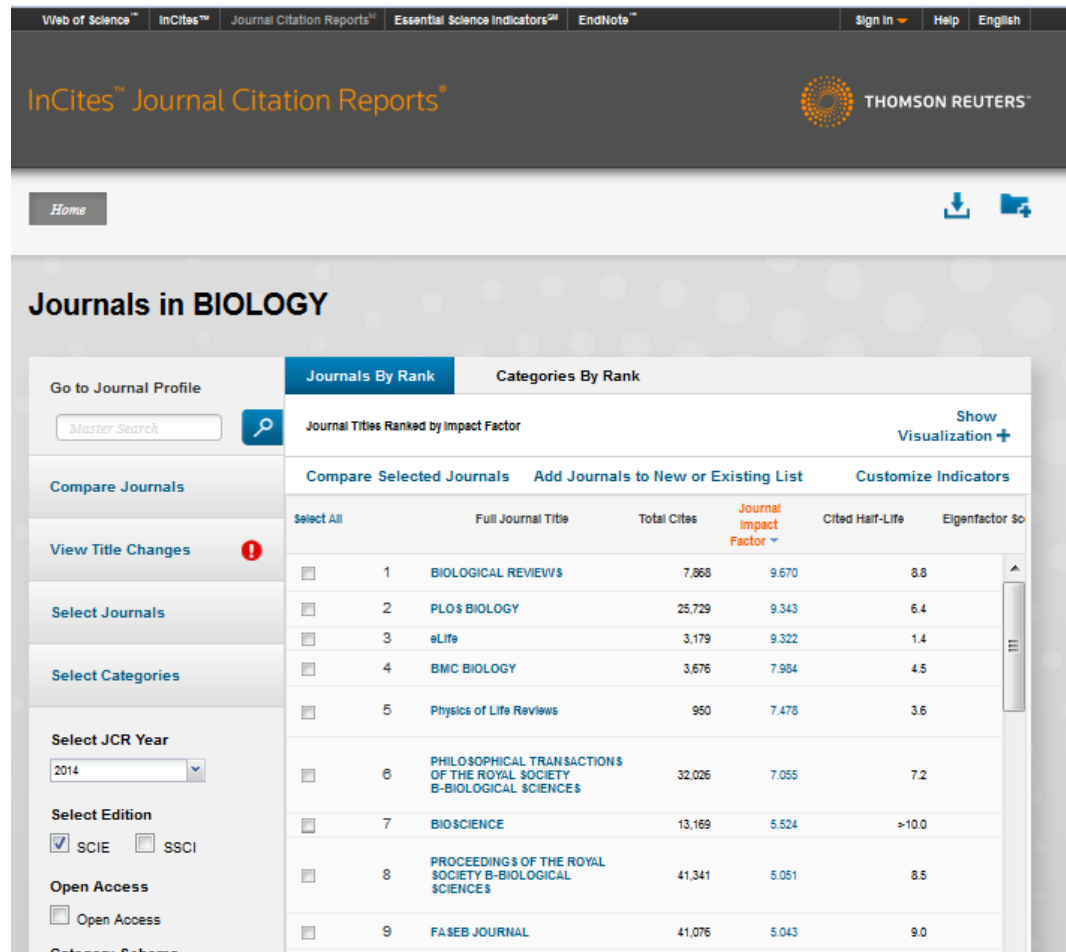
  

## BIOLOGY

*The Biology category includes resources having a broad or interdisciplinary approach to biology. In addition, it includes materials that cover a specific area of biology not covered in other categories such as theoretical biology, mathematical biology, thermal biology, cryobiology, and biological rhythm research.*

Year	Edition	# Journals	Articles	Total Cites	Median Impact Factor	Aggregate Impact Factor	Aggregate Immediacy Index	Aggregate Cited Half-Life	Aggregate Citing Half-Life
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2014	SCIE	85	9,838	387,568	1.375	2.572	0.678	8.8	8.8
2013	SCIE	85	9,197	368,066	1.432	2.561	0.718	8.5	8.8
2012	SCIE	83	8,866	344,282	1.452	2.650	0.649	8.3	8.8
2011	SCIE	85	22,001	394,117	1.540	3.177	0.503	6.1	7.4
2010	SCIE	86	15,511	346,005	1.339	3.146	0.559	6.7	7.5
2009	SCIE	76	11,427	292,194	1.337	3.076	0.627	7.2	7.4
2008	SCIE	72	6,741	241,521	1.383	2.749	0.613	7.7	8.2
2007	SCIE	70	6,608	217,563	1.292	2.687	0.579	7.5	8.3
2006	SCIE	65	5,953	191,757	1.138	2.634	0.532	7.6	8.0
2005	SCIE	65	5,539	176,385	1.179	2.587	0.538	7.5	7.7
2004	SCIE	64	5,577	164,037	1.105	2.254	0.607	7.6	7.6
2003	SCIE	65	5,345	153,375	0.971	2.135	0.487	7.7	7.9
2002	SCIE	62	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
2001	SCIE	42	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
2000	SCIE	51	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

# Identifying Key Journals in the field: Ranked by Impact Factor



The screenshot displays the InCites Journal Citation Reports interface. The top navigation bar includes links to Web of Science, InCites, Journal Citation Reports, Essential Science Indicators, and EndNote, along with Sign In, Help, and English options. The main header features the InCites logo and Thomson Reuters branding. Below the header, a sidebar on the left provides navigation options: Go to Journal Profile (with a Master Search box), Compare Journals, View Title Changes (with a red notification icon), Select Journals, Select Categories, Select JCR Year (set to 2014), Select Edition (SCIE and SSCI checkboxes), Open Access (Open Access checkbox), and Category Schema. The main content area is titled 'Journals in BIOLOGY' and shows a table of journals ranked by impact factor. The table has columns for Rank, Full Journal Title, Total Cites, Journal Impact Factor, Cited Half-Life, and Eigenfactor Score. The top 9 journals are listed, with Biological Reviews at rank 1 and FASEB Journal at rank 9.

Rank	Full Journal Title	Total Cites	Journal Impact Factor	Cited Half-Life	Eigenfactor Score
1	BIOLOGICAL REVIEWS	7,868	9.670	8.8	
2	PLO'S BIOLOGY	25,729	9.343	6.4	
3	eLife	3,179	9.322	1.4	
4	BMC BIOLOGY	3,676	7.984	4.5	
5	Physics of Life Reviews	950	7.478	3.6	
6	PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY B-BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES	32,026	7.055	7.2	
7	BIO SCIENCE	13,169	5.524	>10.0	
8	PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY B-BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES	41,341	5.051	8.5	
9	FASEB JOURNAL	41,076	5.043	9.0	

# Identifying Key Journals in the field: Search keywords on SCOPUS

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# Identifying Key Journals in the field: Check the “Source Title”

Source Title	
<input type="checkbox"/> Scientometrics	(76)
<input type="checkbox"/> ENR Engineering News Record	(19)
<input type="checkbox"/> Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology	(16)
<input type="checkbox"/> Journal of Informetrics	(14)
<input type="checkbox"/> Modern Healthcare	(11)

# CiteScore

## CiteScore 2015 methodology



CiteScore 2015 counts the citations received in 2015 to documents published in 2012, 2013 or 2014, and divides this by the number of documents published in 2012, 2013 and 2014.



### 3-year publication window

The 3-year CiteScore time window was chosen as a best fit for all subject areas. Research shows that a 3-year publication window is long enough to capture the citation peak of the majority of disciplines.

### Frequency

	CiteScore	CiteScore Tracker (on Scopus.com)
Calculated	Annually	12 times per year
Updates	None	Monthly

### Document types

All types of documents (research articles, review articles, conference proceedings, editorials errata, letters, notes, and short surveys) are included in the CiteScore calculation. Although articles in press are included in Scopus they are not included in the calculation.

# Identifying Key Journals in the field

Select the Subject Area on [Scimago Journal & Country Rank](#)



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## Journal Rankings

Ranking Parameters

Subject Area:  
Subject Category:  
Region/Country:  
Order By:  
Display journals with at least:

Biochemistry, Genetics and Molecular Biology  
Cell Biology  
All  
SJR  
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Citable Docs. (3 years)

Year: 2014  

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Subject Area: Biochemistry, Genetics and Molecular Biology.  
Subject Category: Cell Biology.  
Year: 2014.

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	Title	Type	SJR	H index	Total Docs. (2014)	Total Docs. (3years)	Total Refs.	Total Cites (3years)	Citable Docs. (3years)	Cites / Doc. (2years)	Ref. / Doc.	Country
1	Nature Reviews Molecular Cell Biology	j	Q1 24,294	302	175	535	8.882	7.254	218	34,07	50,75	
2	Annual Review of Cell and Developmental	k	Q1 16,567	171	1	82	315	1.715	80	16,08	315,00	



# Tasks for the eleventh session

1. List top 10 journals in your field of study
2. Prepare a cover letter for your manuscript
3. Find proper journal/s for your manuscript





# Thank you!

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