Identifying a Journal to Submit Your Manuscript

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Objectives

1. Assess and justify the suitability of academic journals for a manuscript based on factors like scope, impact factor, and audience.

2. Develop a strategic approach for journal selection, analyzing publication processes, editorial policies, and the manuscript's potential scholarly impact.
Considerations

- Go where you know
- Journal reputation
- About the journal
What you know

- Journals that you read
- Journals you are citing
- Journals of your societies or organizations
- Colleagues
- Mentors
Journal reputation

- Editorial professionalism
  - Turnaround times
- Indexing
- Impact factor – use with caution
Indexing

- MEDLINE
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Current environmental health reports

NLM Title Abbreviation: Curr Environ Health Rep
Title(s): Current environmental health reports.
Publication Start Year: 2014
Frequency: Quarterly
Country of Publication: Switzerland
Publisher: [Switzerland] : Springer International Publishing AG, (2014-)
Description: 1 online resource
Language: English
ISSN: 2196-5412 (Electronic)
2196-5412 (Linking)
LCCN: 2014243446
Electronic Links: https://link.springer.com/journal/40572
In: MEDLINE. V2n1, Mar. 2015-
PubMed: V2n1, Mar. 2015-; selected citations only before this date

Current Indexing Status: Currently indexed for MEDLINE
Current Subset: Index Medicus
MeSH: Environmental Health
Public Health
Broad Subject Term(s): Environmental Health
Publication Type(s): Periodical
Other ID: (OCoLC)881514977
NLM ID: 101529387 [Serial]
Journal Impact Factor

Journal level metric that “reflects the yearly mean number of citations of articles published in the last two years in a given journal.”

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Jaime RA, Carvalho TS, Bonini GC, Imparato J, Mendes FM
Oral Health Education Program on Dental Caries Incidence for School Children.
The Journal of clinical pediatric dentistry. 2015

Kumar S, Tadakamadia J, Duraiswamy P, Kulkarni S
Dental Caries and its Socio-Behavioral Predictors- An Exploratory Cross-Sectional Study.

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