

Publish your Paper

Find the right Journal - 5 Steps

Publish Open Access?

Caution! Predatory Journals

Your Copyright as an Author

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Step 1/5 – List your own Favorites

List the journals that you read and cited most for your paper.



Step 2/5 – Ask your Peers and Profs

Ask other experts like your profs and peers about their favorite journals in the field.

Discuss your publication strategy.





Step 3/5 – Check Journal Rankings

See the community perspective on a journal in rankings.
Add highly ranked journals to your list and note down their score.

[Journal Citation Reports](#)
[Eigenfactor](#)
[SciMago](#)
[Scopus Journal metrics](#)

[Handelsblatt \(economics\)](#)
[VHB JOURQUAL \(Germany, business\)](#)
[ABS Journal Quality Guide \(UK, business\)](#)
[ABCD Journal Quality List \(Australia, business\)](#)



A few cents on Rankings

Rankings are quantitative analyses – either of article citations, or of the reputation among researchers – but can their metrics provide an overall judgement on a journal?

Pro

- Rankings allow to filter from the huge amount of journals. They give orientation.
- Scholars see what is most heavily cited and read in their community.



Con

- Newer journals don't stand a chance, if everyone just focuses on rankings.
- Journals for niche topics cannot reach high ranking positions – but they are most important for a certain community.
- Rankings might discourage interdisciplinary research ([read more \(pdf\)](#)).

[Publications on rankings in EconBiz](#)



Are articles from the journals you listed, covered in subject databases?
Will your paper be found and read?

- EBSCO Business Source (with EconLit)
- EconBiz
- EconLit
- JSTOR
- ABI/Inform (ProQuest)

The screenshot shows the ECONBIZ database interface. At the top, the logo 'ECONBIZ' is displayed with the tagline 'Find Economic Literature.' Below this, there are tabs for 'Publications' and 'Events'. A search bar contains the text 'journal of banking & finance', and a red 'Search' button is to its right. Below the search bar, there are filters: 'Published in...' (selected), 'Open Access only', 'Advanced', 'Search history', and 'Favorites'. A dropdown menu is open under 'Published in...', showing options like 'All Fields', 'Title', 'Subject', 'Author', 'Institution', 'ISBN/ISSN', and 'Published in...'. The search results table shows a list of publications, with the first entry being 'Profitability determinants in post-crisis European Union' by Marcin In: International journal of finance & banking studies : JJFBS 7 (2018) 1, pp. 1-12. A blue box in the bottom right corner contains the text 'Questions Databases? A'.

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Publications Events

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Questions on
Databases? Ask us!



Step 4/5 – Check Subject Databases

Filter your results by "Source" or "Published in ..." and see, which journals publish most on your subject. This also works in Web of Science.

[Watch the Video](#)

"Web of Science: How to find journals that publish in your subject area".

Web of Science

Results Analysis
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Web of Science Categories

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157 MANAGEMENT

445 GREEN SUSTAINABLE SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY

19 ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

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Click Source Titles to view journal details

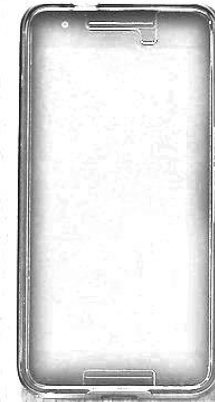
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Step 5/5 – Check Journals Subject scope

Work through your list of journals: Does your paper match the journal's scope?

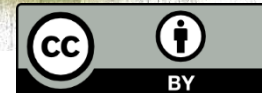
- Most important: Hand in your paper only to journals that cover your field!
- Only to one journal at a time.
- See author guidelines on the journals websites.



Rejection rates of 80-90% are quite common.
[See numbers for single journals](#) (2008 – 2016)



Shoulder to cry on



Toolbox

Publish your Paper

- Read: [How to choose journals for submitting your paper](#)
- Video: [Planning the publication process](#) (04:06 min)
- Tutorials: [Web of Science: Where Should I Publish?](#)
- Tool: [Elsevier Journalfinder](#)
- Board Game: [Don't fall into the Publishing Trap](#) - Game developed for researchers that want to learn more about research dissemination and scholarly communication in Higher Education.

See next Section



Shoulder to cry on

You'll manage!

It will only get easier.

Soon you will be a published author, just imagine!

Don't worry, you will succeed!

You are not alone. Check out "[impostor syndrome](#)"

[Chat with real Librarians!](#)

Ok I'm fine now



You're a Genius?

You belong to the TOP per mille of your peers?

Forget all we say. Write down your brilliant ideas on a beer coaster.

That's a nice story you can tell at your Nobel Prize acceptance speech.



I'm not sure though ...



Publish in Open Access?

MacKiernan et al. (2016): "Of 70 studies (...), 46 (66%) found an OA citation advantage. (...)."

See also: Summary of studies about Open Access Citation Advantages (OACA)
Read: Arguments and Reservations

Gold OA: Publish in Open Access right away

Green OA: Secondary Publication in Open Access

Did you know?

- Some funding programs request open access.
- Journals often allow secondary publications.
- Ask the OA experts in your library!



Toolbox

Gold OA: Find Quality Journals

> [DOAJ - Directory of Open Access Journals](#)

DOAJ is a community-curated online directory that indexes and provides access to high quality, open access, peer-reviewed journals.

> Check the option “List only Open Access Journals” in rankings like [Scimago](#) & [Web of Science \(JCR\)](#).



Caution!
Predatory Journals

Toolbox

Green OA: Secondary Publication

Many journals allow a secondary publication in open access after some time.

> Read your contract. The right on secondary publications might be mentioned there.

> [Sherpa Romeo List](#)

See how your journal handles the right on secondary publications.

Did you know?

- There may be open access experts in your library. Contact them!
- Use university repositories or subject repositories like [EconStor](#) for your postprint.

See next Section





Caution! Predatory Journals

Predatory or fake journals are open access journals that request APCs (Article Publication Charges) without providing the quality they promise. They often have:

- No peer review (even if they claim to have it)
- Fake Editorial Boards (alleged editors don't know about memberships)
- Fake Impact Factors.

Predatory journals - also called fake journals - can add damage to science by promoting false research results. They can also damage your career, if you inadvertently publish in them.

> See [Think. Check. Submit.](#) to learn how to choose a trusted journal.



Can you find clues that indicate a fake journal?

Drag and drop to as many places as you can find!

Suspicious!

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Important Dates

Submission Last Date: 30th July 2018
Acceptance Notification: Within 7 days
Paper Publication: 10th August 2018

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Indicators for fake Journals

No peer review possible in this short time !

Important Dates	
Submission Last Date:	30 th July 2018
Acceptance Notification:	Within 7 days
Paper Publication:	10 th August 2018
Quick Links	
Journal Home	
Paper Submission	
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Jour Informatics	
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Contact Details	
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Index Copernicus is often mentioned in predatory journals

Typical: Promise of rapid publication.

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No manuscript submission system. Entry via e-mail to a non-professional address.



Test yourself. Is it a fake Journal? How can you tell?

Mark the check boxes

- ☐ Active and repeated invitation of potential authors via e-mail
- ☐ Manuscript submission system, no submission via e-mail
- ☐ Website is focused mainly on readers, not on potential authors
- ☐ Promise to publish the manuscript in short time
- ☐ Spelling and grammatical errors; Images and logos in low quality, distorted
- ☐ Articles of the journal are indexed in relevant subject databases (see for yourself)
- ☐ Editorial Organizations (OASPA, EASE, ...) are mentioned on the journal website
- ☐ Very broad research area. Often across disciplines.
- ☐ Peers or well known researchers of the field have already published there
- ☐ Journal is listed in DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals)
- ☐ Mentions Index Copernicus
- ☐ Mentions to be indexed in Google Scholar



See Results

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- ☐ Editorial Organizations (OASPA, EASE, ...) are mentioned on the journal website
- ☒ Very broad research area. Often across disciplines.
- ☐ Peers or well known researchers of the field have already published there
- ☐ Journal is listed in DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals)
- ☒ Mentions Index Copernicus
- ☒ Mentions to be indexed in Google Scholar



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All Fields Title Subject Author Institution ISBN/ISSN Published in...

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Materials and Tools

Tools: [Think Check Submit](#) - for Conferences: [Think Check Attend](#)

[DOAJ](#): List of quality open access journals

[OASPA](#): Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association

[Beals List](#) and [Cabells list](#) of potentially predatory journals

Read: "13 evidence-based characteristics by which predatory journals may potentially be distinguished from presumed legitimate journals" [Shamseer, L. et al. \(2017\). Potential predatory and legitimate biomedical journals: can you tell the difference? A cross-sectional comparison. BMC Med. 15:28. doi: 10.1186/s12916-017-0785-9.](#)

Blog: What ... if you publish in a predatory journal by mistake? [COPE \(2016\): Withdrawal of accepted manuscript from predatory journal.](#)

Blog: A self-experiment in fake science: the tricks of predatory journals. [MediaTalk \(19.12.2018\)](#)

In German: [Handreichung Predatory Publishing / Leibniz-Gemeinschaft \(pdf\)](#)



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Next time you can ask your publisher for an author addendum to the contract that fixes your right to publish open access.

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