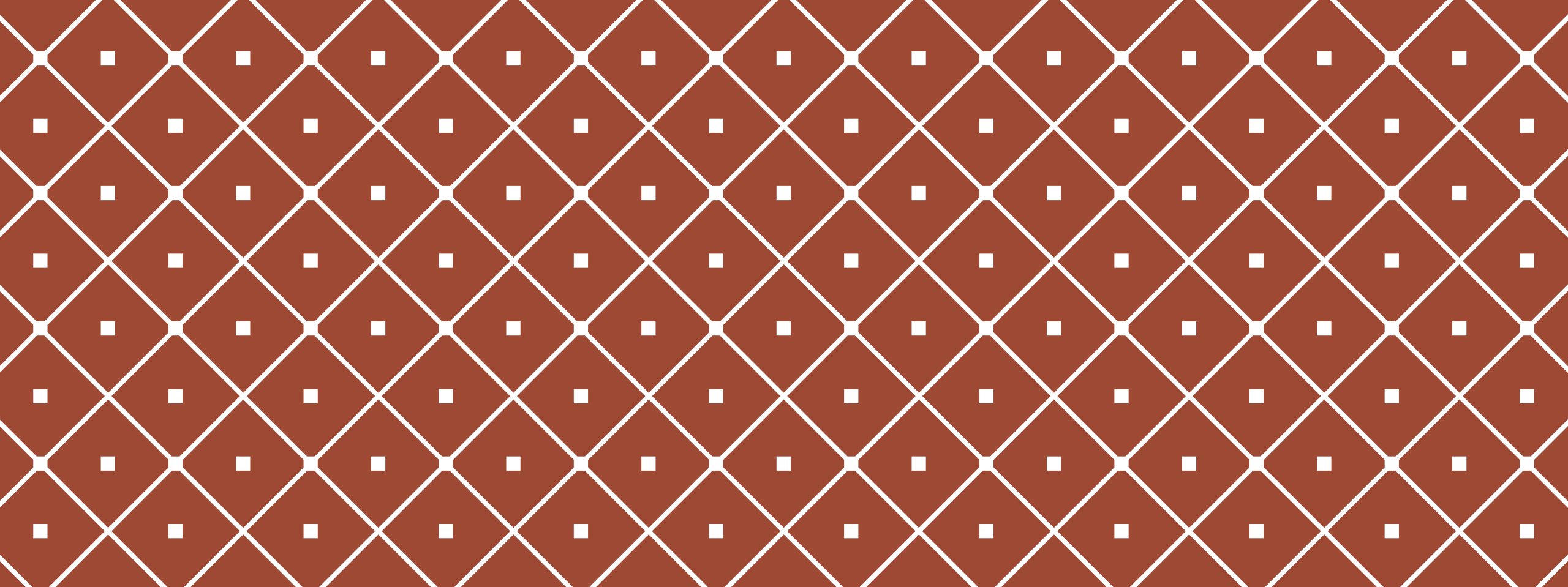




INTRODUCTION TO OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING

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WHAT IS OPEN ACCESS?



Open access (OA) is a publishing movement aimed at making research freely available online

Movement in higher education

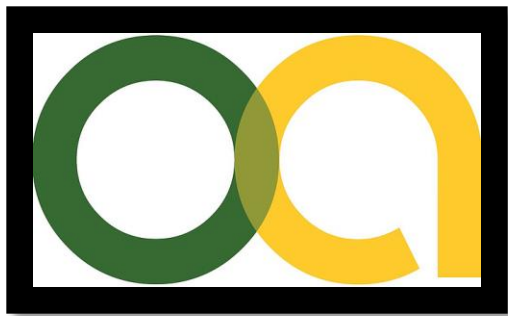
Any kind of digital content can be OA

Publication

- Available online to all
- Free of charge
- Free of most copyright and licensing restrictions
- Deposited, immediately, in full and in a suitable electronic form

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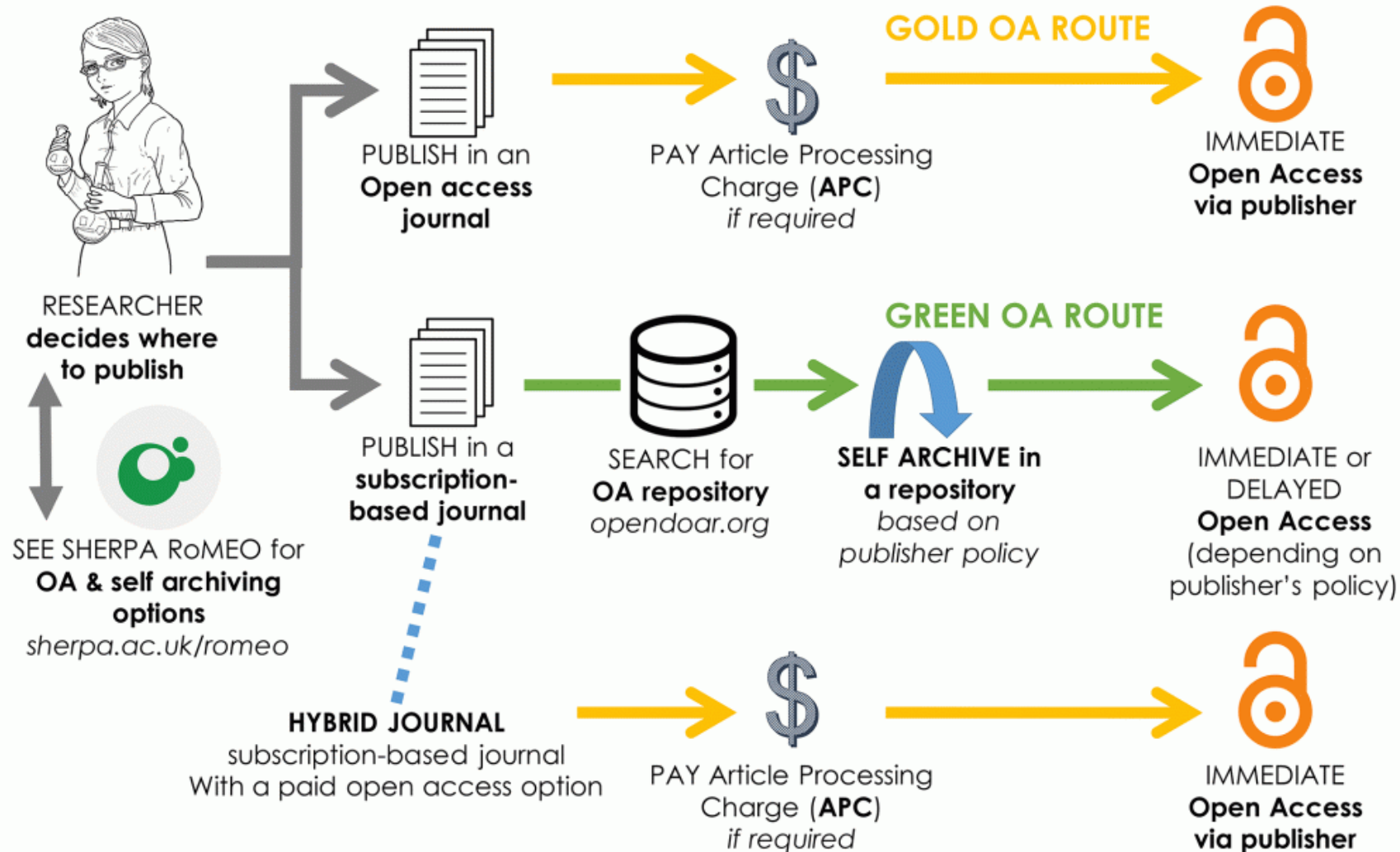
Open Access (OA) Publishing is a publishing model whereby scholarly journals, articles and books are published online with no or minimal restrictions on access and reuse.



Green Open Access

Gold Open Access

Open Access Publishing



Researchers should understand their copyright options before publishing

AUTHOR'S RIGHTS

Before transferring copyright, authors should

- Read and understand the **copyright agreements** they sign with publishers
- Consider **including an appendix/addendum** to ensure certain rights to reuse and share their work



[Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition](#) which provides useful information about author's rights



[SHERPA/RoMEO](#) to learn about Open Access and Self-Archiving copyright policies

AUTHOR'S RIGHTS – COPYRIGHT TRANSFER

Transferring copyrights do not need to be all or nothing

When signing an agreement with a publisher the author may:

- Transfer all of his rights to the publisher

- Transfer the copyright to the publisher but retain certain rights

- Retain all of his rights and license the rights to the publisher



[Scholar's Copyright Addendum Engine](#)

AUTHOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Publish & Preserve your Paper

Author must always negotiate his rights with the publisher and stress on getting a permission to publish in an institutional repository whenever possible



AUB researchers may deposit research-oriented publications in **AUB ScholarWorks**

AUB ScholarWorks

Why deposit content?

Who can deposit content?

Repository Submission Guidelines

Deposit formats

Accepted content

Mandatory deposit

Voluntary deposit

Copyright and Author's rights

Quality Control

AUTHOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Do I need an ORCID?

RECOMMENDED



Establish a Researcher Identity: Create your ORCID ID as an AUB Affiliate
to identify yourself as a researcher and to create a Researcher Identity (ID)

What is ORCID ID?

Persistent Digital Identifier

It is yours throughout your career

You can control when and where to use your ORCID ID

Why Register?

Avoid name ambiguity, distinguish yourself & assure that your work is attributed to you

Enhance author/work discovery and improve research visibility

Majority of journal publishers and funders are increasingly requiring authors to provide ORCID ID

AUTHOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

ORCID: Create your Unique Digital Identifier

A quick guide to AUB affiliates about ORCID, how to create an ORCID ID, and how this can help in solving the name ambiguity problem in research and scholarly communications

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Create your ORCID ID as an AUB Affiliate

First time user?

Follow the below steps to create your [ORCID](#) AUB institutional account.

1. Access [ORCID](#)
2. Choose Institutional account
3. Look for American University of Beirut & click on it
4. Log-in with your AUBNet account credentials
5. Register and create a new account
6. Click on "**Authorize**" to give your institution permission to access your profile.

N.B: keep the checkbox "Allow this permission until I revoke it" **selected**.

Already have a personal account?

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Sign in with an institutional account

Use a suggested selection:



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Or enter your organization's name

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WHY PUBLISH IN OPEN ACCESS?

Open Access Publishing may lead to

- Increased visibility, exposure, usage, and impact of research
- Expanded readership
- Greater citation rates

Some misconceptions about Open Access Publishing

- OA journals are not of good quality or can be considered 'predatory'
- OA works are not copyrighted
- OA journals do not have peer review
- OA publishers charges fees to publish

VETTING OPEN ACCESS JOURNALS

Before submitting manuscripts to open access journals, researchers should at least:

- Check if the journal is indexed in [DOAJ - Directory of Open Access Journals](#)
- Learn about Open Access and Self-Archiving copyright policies
- Check if the journal is compliant with the funders policies
- Check if the journal is indexed in reputable databases such as [JSTOR](#), [Web of Science](#), [Scopus](#), [PubMed](#) and [UlrichsWeb](#)
- Try to avoid predatory journals. Check [Beall's List](#).

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- Check if the journal has an [ISSN number](#), [Impact factor](#), is a member of [COPE \(Committee of Publishing Ethics\)](#)
- Make sure that the publisher is a member of a reputable industry organization such as [Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association](#) or the [Committee on Publication Ethics \(COPE\)](#)
- Know who support the cost of publishing? Is there an article processing charge to pay for open access?

HOW MUCH DO JOURNALS CHARGE?



Eigenfactor Index of Open Access Fees

- Article Processing Charges (APCs)
- APCs in lieu of subscription fees
- Journal APCs vary greatly.
\$0 → \$3000 or more

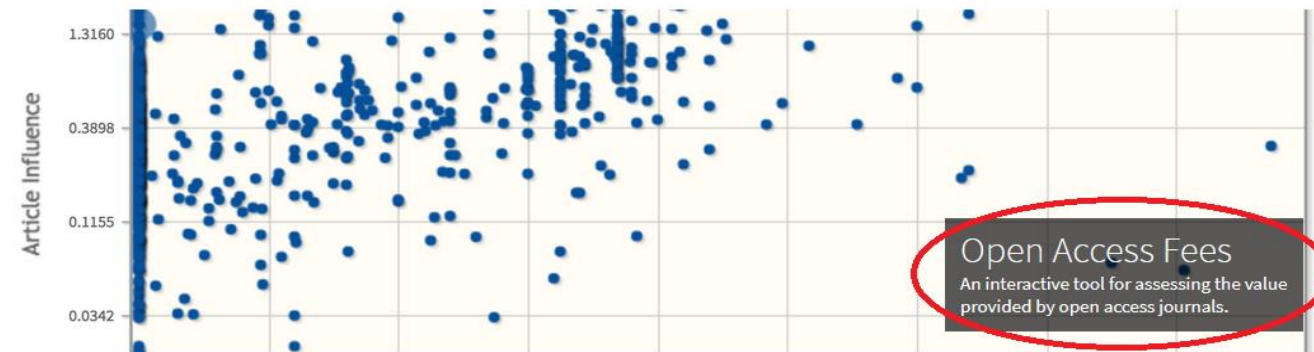


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Selecting an Open Access Journal

In order to select a suitable open access journal in which to publish, it can be helpful to understand what it is that you are paying for with your publication fees. In this context, we find it useful to think about the economics of scholarly publishing.

IDENTIFYING OA JOURNALS WITH NO APCs

Both **DOAJ - Directory of Open Access Journals** and **Eigenfactor Index** can help you identify open access journals that do not charge article processing fees (APCs).



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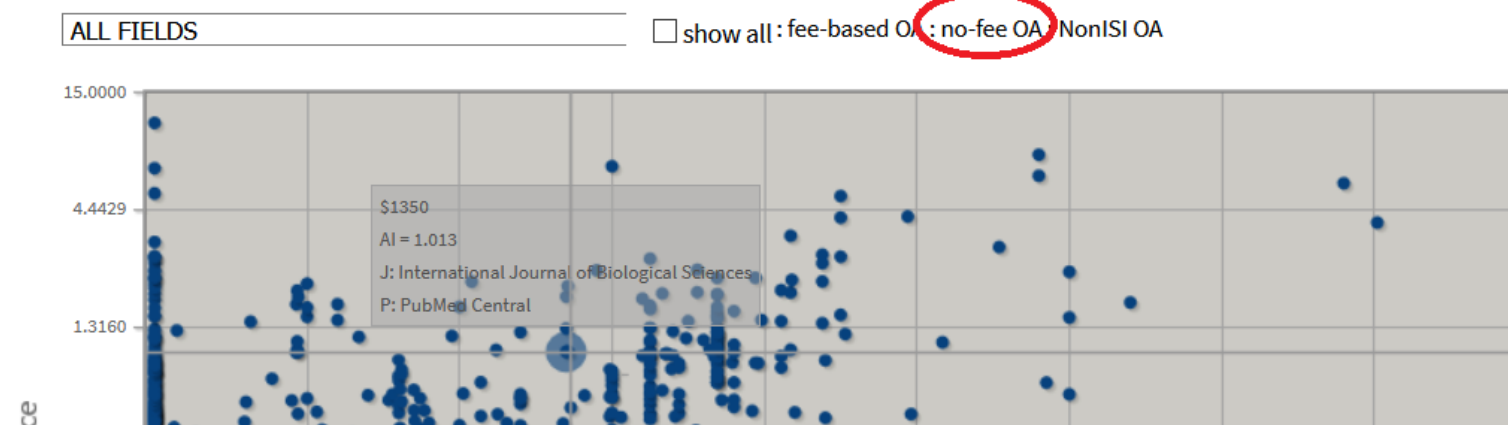
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Eigenfactor Index of Open Access Fees Powered by Eigenfactor.org and journalprices.com

The Eigenfactor Index of Open Access Fees makes it easy for scholarly authors to engage in comparison shopping between scholarly journals. Background and information about how to use the tool is provided on the [entry page](#).



WHERE TO PUBLISH?



1. OPEN ACCESS JOURNALS

Many journals including some prestigious journals provide OA publishing options to authors.

The following are some well-known OA publishers and directories:

- [DOAJ - Directory of Open Access Journals](#)
- [BioMed Central](#)
- [Elsevier Open Access](#)
- [IEEE Open](#)
- [Royal Society Open Access](#)
- [Sage Open](#)
- [Springer Open Access](#)
- [DFAJ \(Directory of Free Access Journals\)](#) = [دليل الدوريات العربية المجانية](#)

2. OPEN ACCESS REPOSITORIES

Depositing your work in an open access repository is another way to share your research

Institutional repositories

- [AUB ScholarWorks](#) is the Institutional repository of the American University of Beirut.

Subject specific repositories

- [arXiv.org](#)
- [PubMed Central](#)
- [Cogprints: Cognitive Sciences Preprint Archive](#)
- [DBLP](#) (computer science bibliography)

Directories of Open Access Repositories

- [OpenDOAR](#) a searchable database of academic open access repositories
- [Open Access Directory](#) simple factual lists about open access (OA) to science and Scholarship
- [ROAR - Registry of Open Access Repositories](#)
- [Disciplinary Repositories](#) List of open access subject repositories

OPEN ACCESS REPOSITORY @ AUB

AUB ScholarWorks the institutional repository of the American university of Beirut.

It centralizes, facilitates and encourages the preservation, exploration, dissemination, promotion and use of the University's academic and research activities using open access publishing model.

- The main goal of this repository is to **collect, publish and preserve research** publications produced by scholars at AUB.
- AUB academic **researchers** and other AUB communities are encouraged to **deposit research-oriented** publications in this repository.
- **Why deposit content?** To increase visibility and citation rates of AUB research publications and to digitally preserve AUB research and scholarly work.
- **Submission formats** are: text, image, audio and video.

Scholarworks Repository

Scholarworks Home

Scholarworks Repository

Scholarworks is a digital service that collects, preserves, and distributes digital material. Repositories are important tools for preserving an organization's legacy; they facilitate digital preservation and scholarly communication.

Communities in Scholarworks

Select a community to browse its collections.

- [Asfari Institute for Civil Society and Citizenship](#)
- [AUB Data Bank](#)
- [Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences \(FAFS\)](#)
- [Faculty of Arts and Sciences \(FAS\)](#)
- [Faculty of Engineering and Architecture \(FEA\)](#)
- [Faculty of Health Sciences \(FHS\)](#)
- [Faculty of Medicine \(FM\)](#)
- [Issam Fares Institute \(IFI\)](#)
- [Neighborhood Initiative](#)
- [Rafic Hariri School of Nursing \(SON\)](#)
- [Students Publications \(Theses, Dissertations, Projects\)](#)
- [Suliman S. Olayan School of Business \(OSB\)](#)
- [University Libraries](#)

For further details contact the Director of Library Systems and Applications @ Jafet Library: Mona Assi (email: monassi@aub.edu.lb)

OPEN ACCESS REPOSITORY @ AUB /DATA

Data sharing is increasingly important in research and now often mandated by funding agencies.

AUB Data Bank offers long-term storage for scholarly output, more specifically Research Data. AUB researchers can upload their published or unpublished datasets to AUB databank.



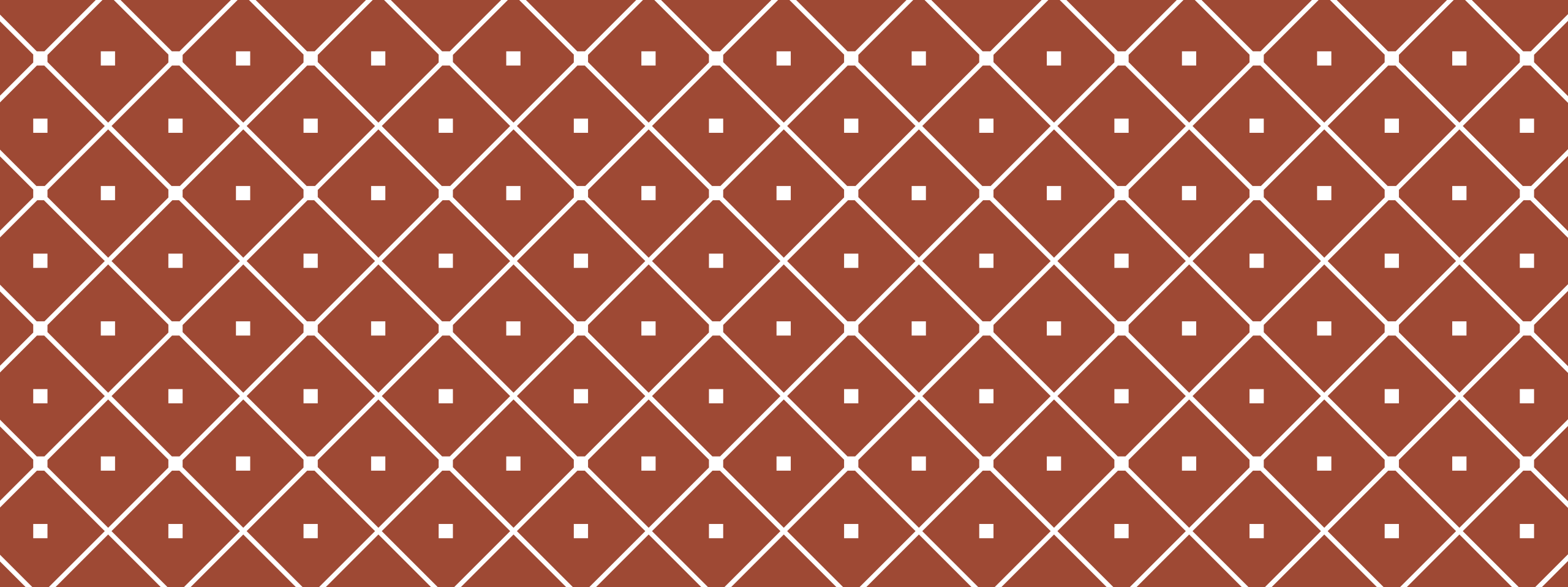
For more on this contact the Data Services Librarian@ Jafet Library: Dalal Rahmeh (Email: dalal.rahme@aub.edu.lb – Ext. 2958)

ADVANTAGES

- Increase visibility and citation
- Easier access to information for anyone
- Open Access articles are published sooner than articles in non-Open Access journals
- Open Access articles reach broader audiences than articles in non-Open Access journals

DISADVANTAGES

- High quality open access journals did not establish the same reputation as traditional journals
- Not cheaper than the tradition publication
- Predatory open access journals try to mislead author



OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING @ AUB

Waivers and Discounts on APCs



What is OA Publishing?

Self-Archiving @ AUB








Author's Rights

OA Publishing Venues

Waivers and discounts for AUB Affiliates

Open Access (OA) refers to allowing unrestricted online access to scholarly information including peer-reviewed journal articles, conference proceedings, working papers, graduate theses, data, and other. For more on information, click [here](#).

AUB Libraries is participating in the membership program of the following open access publishers. Due to these memberships AUB scholars and academic researchers are eligible for waivers and discounts on the Article Processing Charges (APCs) for open access publishing.

Publisher	Waivers and discounts	Additional Information
	<p>9 free Article Processing Charges on a 1st come 1st served basis. Expiry Date 31- June 2022</p> <p>Submission Instructions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACS Open Access Policy How to Publish Open Access with ACS Journals
	<p>15% Discount</p> <p>In case of lack of funding please click here for exceptional discounts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copyright and License Find the Right Journal
	<p>50% Discount as mentioned in Waivers & Discounts</p> <p>Upon submission please contact support@bmj.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copyright List of Journals Open Access Fees
	<p>Free Article Processing Charges till the end of 2021 in Gold and Hybrid journals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Journals Open Access Publishing Open Access
	<p>Free Article Processing Charges for any paper submitted in 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manuscripts Guidelines Why Publish in JAFSCD
	<p>Free Article Processing Charges</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article Processing Fee Submission Guidelines
	<p>10% Discount</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Authors Journals Processing Charges

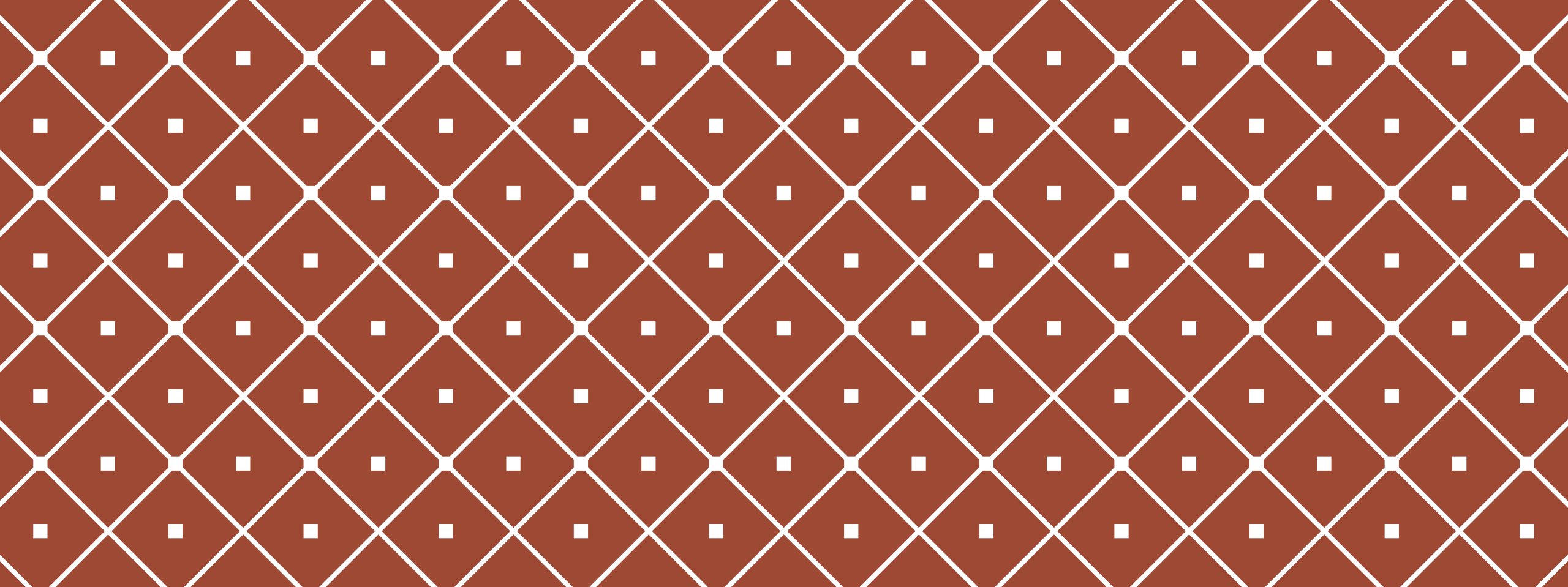
THANK YOU!

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PREDATORY JOURNALS

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Head of Saab Medical Library

Predatory journals are journals that charge publication fees to authors without providing legitimate peer review services prior to publication.



Evaluating Predatory Journals

JOURNAL WEBSITE

- Spelling & grammatical errors
- Broad journal scope
- No "About Us" page
- Insufficient contact information
- False metrics & indexing claims
- Street address questionable for business (search Google Maps street view)





PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- Few or no published articles available
- Numerous articles by same author(s)
- Inappropriate article titles & abstracts
- Articles aren't well researched
- Ask authors about experience with journal

EDITORIAL BOARD

- Editorial board not listed on website
- Editors aren't recognized experts in field
- Names used without knowledge or permission
- Editors have no or fake credentials
- Ask editors about experience with journal





UNSOLICITED E-MAIL INVITATIONS

- E-mail invitation to publish or review
- Poorly written (awkward or unprofessional language)
- Spelling or grammatical errors
- Filled with flattery

RAPID PUBLICATION & UNCLEAR FEES

- Promise of rapid publication
- Unclear or loose peer review process
- Unclear fee structure
- Insufficient "Instructions for Authors"
- Author fees aren't comparable with reputable journals



RED FLAGS

- ✓ **E-mailed Invitations to Submit an Article**
- ✓ **Journal's Name Suspiciously Similar to a Prominent Journal in the Field**
- ✓ **Misleading Geographic Information in the Title**
- ✓ **Outdated or Unprofessional Website Appearance**
- ✓ **Broad Aim & Scope**
- ✓ **Insufficient Contact Information**
- ✓ **Lack of Editors or Editorial Board**
- ✓ **Editors with No or False Academic Credentials**

RED FLAGS

- ✓ **Editors with No or False Academic Credentials**
- ✓ **Unclear Author Fee Structures**
- ✓ **Bogus Impact Factors**
- ✓ **Invented Metrics**
- ✓ **False Index Claims**
- ✓ **Peer Review Process**
- ✓ **"Instructions for Authors" Information is Unavailable**
- ✓ **Manuscripts Submitted via E-mail**

RED FLAGS

- ✓ **Evaluate Published Articles**
- ✓ **Publisher has a Negative Reputation**
- ✓ **Digital Preservation Information is Lacking or Inadequate**
- ✓ **No Retraction Policy**
- ✓ **Copyright Information is Lacking**
- ✓ **No ISSN**
- ✓ **Use Common Sense**

HOW TO SPOT PREDATORY JOURNALS?

Check the following tools or databases:

Look for the journal in Ulrichweb Directory, JCR, Citescore

Check if indexed in DOAJ, Web of Science, Scopus, Medline

Check if listed in Beall's list of predatory journals

Check if the publisher is a member of recognized professional organizations that commit to best practices in publishing, such as the

- ✓ [Committee on Publication Ethics \(COPE\)](#)
- ✓ [International Association of Scientific, Technical, & Medical Publishers \(STM\)](#)
- ✓ [Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association \(OASPA\)](#)

Finding Open Access and High Impact Factor Journals



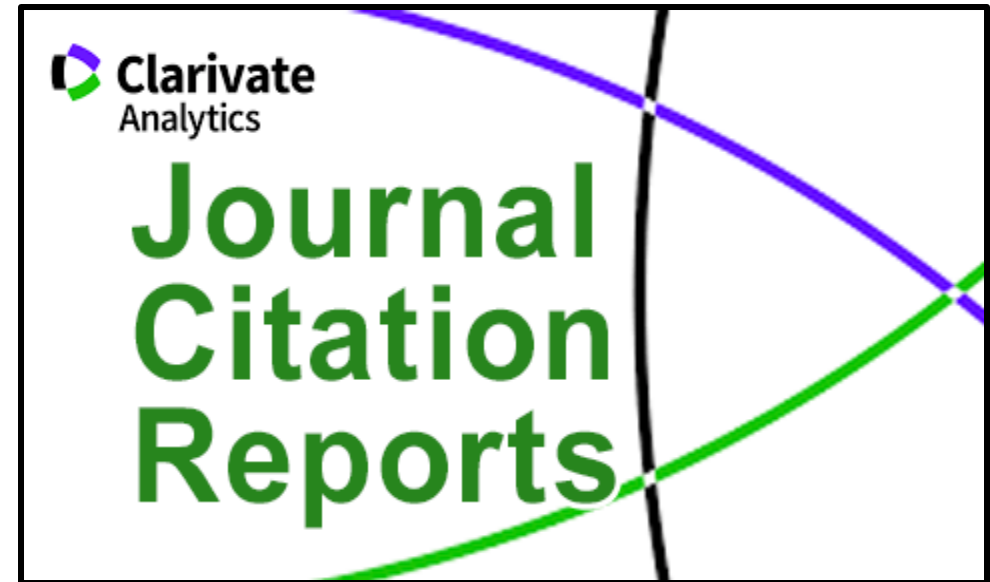
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CiteScore™ metrics

Don't Speculate. Validate.

It's time for a *new* standard of journal citation impact.

The advertisement features a stylized graphic on the right side consisting of a vertical ruler, a circular gauge, and various geometric shapes in shades of orange, grey, and blue, representing data analysis and metrics.



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Analytics

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Citation
Reports**

The advertisement features a stylized graphic on the right side consisting of a vertical black line, a purple line, and a green line, representing data analysis and metrics.

THANK YOU!

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