

What to do if you've submitted to a predatory journal?

Providing a list of specific predatory journals is not a common practice in the scientific community due to the fast and growing nature of predatory publishing, which continually introduces new variations. Additionally, giving a blacklist may be misused or pose legal issues.

If a paper has been submitted to a predatory journal, you should contact the journal to withdraw the submitted or accepted manuscript before it is published and ensure that you keep a record of all correspondence related to the withdrawal. Additionally, ensure your personal information is protected from misuse by the publisher.



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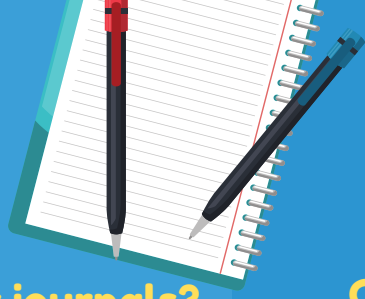


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BE AWARE OF PREDATORY JOURNALS





What are predatory journals?

They are journals that exploit authors' desire for quick publication by charging high fees for profit. Without adequate peer review, the articles are of lower quality.

The Consequences of predatory journals

- Harmful to your professional reputation
- Undermining the credibility of your work
- Challenging to correct or retract the work.



Common traits of predatory journals

- They have low criteria for publication and offer rapid publication, making it easier for papers to be accepted without rigorous review.
- The article processing charge is relatively high.
- They actively solicit articles from authors
- They often have a broad and vague scope.



Ways to avoid predatory journals

- Check if the journal is listed in reputable indexes like PubMed, Scopus, or Web of Science to verify its credibility.
- Check the journal's website to evaluate its standards for article quality and submission guidelines.
- Consult with colleagues, mentors, or experts for their thoughts on the journals you are considering for submission.