The Beall’s List of Predatory and Hijacked Journals no longer exists!

“Jeffrey Beall, associate professor and librarian at the University of Colorado Denver, has decided to no longer maintain or publish his research or blog on open access journals and “predatory publishers.” Eric Baker, University of Denver, Colorado, USA.

The way forward without Beall’s list…?

Advice from Andy Nobes regarding the way forward in the wake of the Beall’s list vacuum @ https://www.researchinformation.info/feature/critical-thinking-post-beall-vacuum

Tools to help you select a journal for publishing:

Think Check Submit @ http://thinkchecksubmit.org/
Open Access Check List @ http://www.nature.com/openresearch/funding/open-access-checklist/
UlrichsWeb Global Serials directory @ http://0-ulrichsweb.serialssolutions.com.oasis.unisa.ac.za/
Elsevier’s Journal Selector @ http://journalfinder.elsevier.com
Springer Journal Selector @ http://www.springer.com/gp/authors-editors/journal-author/journal-author-helpdesk/preparation/1276
JANE: Journal/Author Name Estimator @ http://jane.biosemantics.org/
Journal Guide @ http://www.journalguide.com/
Harzing.com Journal Quality List @ https://harzing.com/resources/journal-quality-list
Stop Predatory Journals https://predatoryjournals.com/

Alternative resource to Beall’s List - Cabells (subscription based tool)

Archived versions of Beall’s list of Predatory and Hijacked Journals (should you need to consult the lists)

Hijacked Journals https://archive.fo/Hr8tk
Misleading Metrics https://archive.fo/tAOfX
List of standalone journals https://archive.fo/9MAAD

Citation Resources for Journal Impact and Citation Analysis

Clarivate Journal Citation Reports @ http://0-apps.webofknowledge.com.oasis.unisa.ac.za/
Scopus @ http://www.scopus.com
Google Scholar Metrics @ https://scholar.google.com/citations?view_op=top_venues
**Predatory vs Legitimate Publishing**

- **Phony Publishing**
  - Little contact information is given and what is given is suspect.
  - Amusingly, a page design containing colors and graphics is distracting, background images, scrolling links, clip art, etc.
  - Lists of seemingly arbitrary keywords are often used as an ill-advised attempt to boost search engine optimization.
  - False metrics or identifiers such as Impact Factor, SJR, or CiteScore.
  - All issues and articles are hard to find, haphazard, or non-existent.
  - The journal website is hosted by an unknown source or a free platform that allows users to design their own site.

- **Legitimate Publishing**
  - Guarantee of manuscript acceptance and publication or unrealistic turn-time.
  - Contact information is thorough and accurate.
  - Mobile optimization is often a prominent feature.
  - The list of issues and articles is complete and easy to find.
  - The journal is hosted by a reputable publisher or technology partner that is well known.
  - No statement about ethics or affiliation with industry organizations such as COPE, CSE, ICONE, etc.
  - Professional, modular page design.
  - Everything on the site has a purpose.
  - All the links work.
  - Industry standard metrics are clearly displayed.

Still having doubts? Check out other articles published by the journal, review submission and peer review guidelines for additional information, or contact authors or editors listed on the site to ask questions. A little extra time and attention can save you the hassle and embarrassment of getting tangled up with a predatory publisher.

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Additional reading:


