

# Manuscript Submission Decision Tools

Web of Science, Journal Citation Reports, Cabell's Predatory Reports

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# Tools

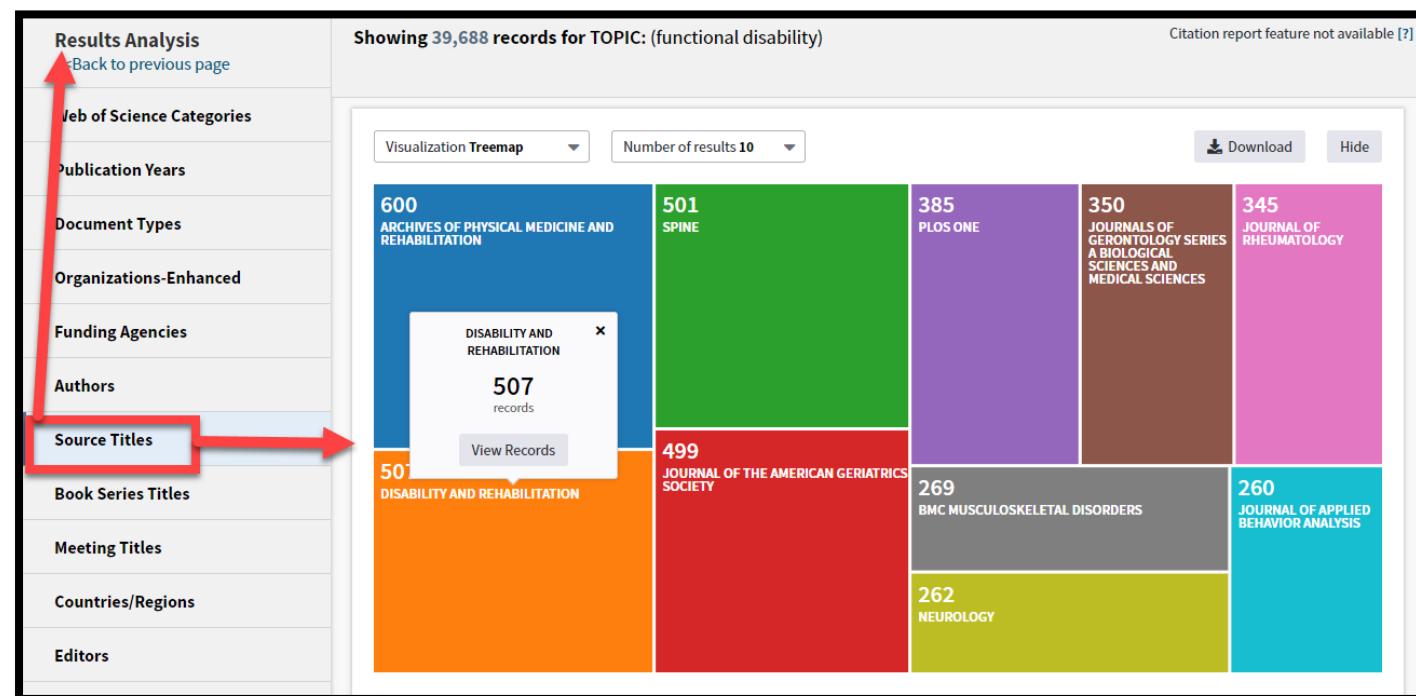
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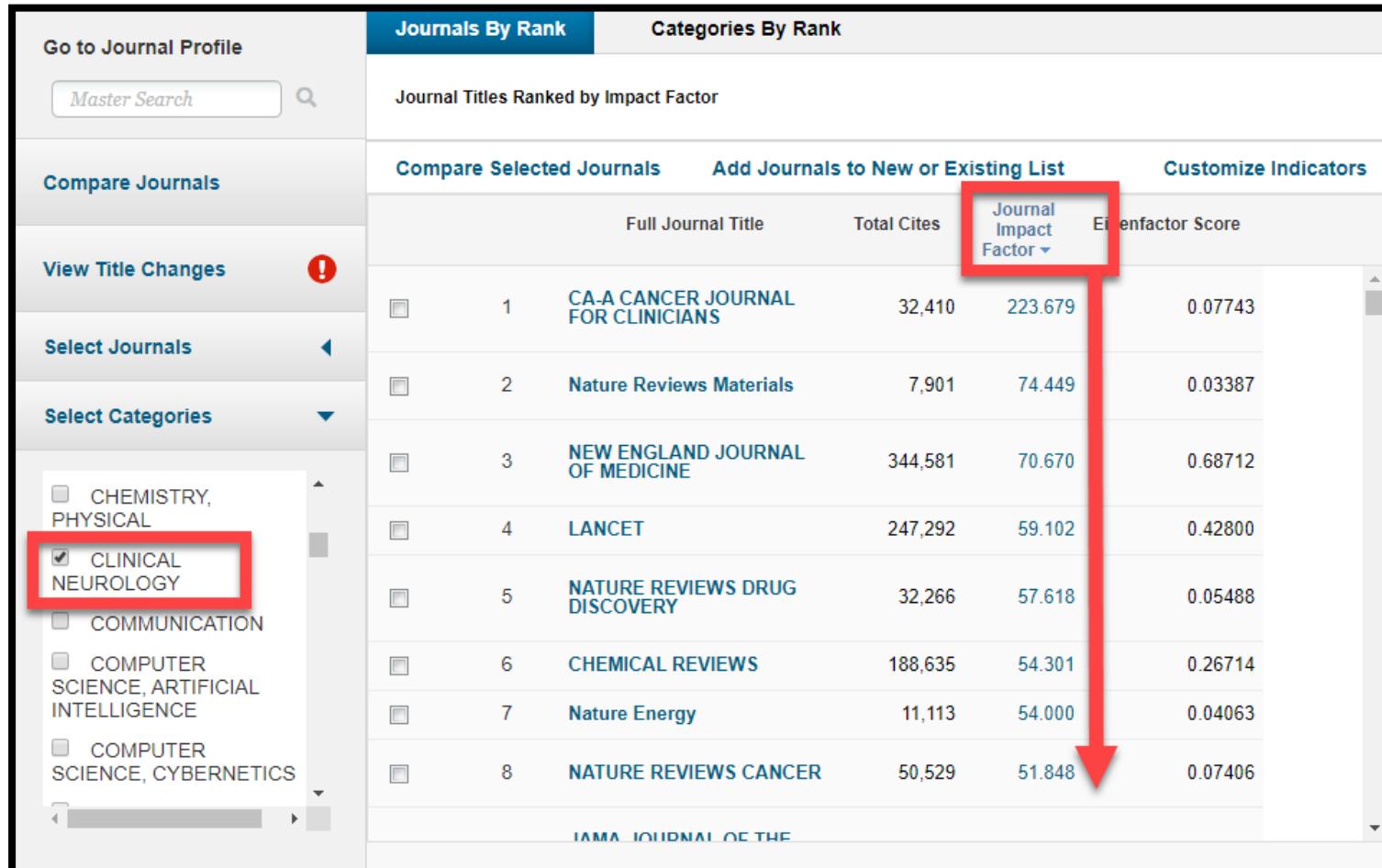
# Possible Steps

1. Conduct a topic search in Web of Science then *Analyze* results
2. On the Results Analysis page, take note of the categories identified on the treemap
3. Click on Source Titles, to see a list of journals that have published on your topic the most
4. Use the list to select from

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# Possible Steps



Master Search

Go to Journal Profile

Compare Journals

View Title Changes

Select Journals

Select Categories

- CHEMISTRY, PHYSICAL
- CLINICAL NEUROLOGY
- COMMUNICATION
- COMPUTER SCIENCE, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
- COMPUTER SCIENCE, CYBERNETICS

Journals By Rank Categories By Rank

Journal Titles Ranked by Impact Factor

Compare Selected Journals Add Journals to New or Existing List Customize Indicators

	Full Journal Title	Total Cites	Journal Impact Factor	Eigenfactor Score
1	CA-A CANCER JOURNAL FOR CLINICIANS	32,410	223.679	0.07743
2	Nature Reviews Materials	7,901	74.449	0.03387
3	NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE	344,581	70.670	0.68712
4	LANCET	247,292	59.102	0.42800
5	NATURE REVIEWS DRUG DISCOVERY	32,266	57.618	0.05488
6	CHEMICAL REVIEWS	188,635	54.301	0.26714
7	Nature Energy	11,113	54.000	0.04063
8	NATURE REVIEWS CANCER	50,529	51.848	0.07406
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1. Take it a step further by comparing journal impact factors using Incites Journal Citation Reports
2. Access Incites Journal Citation Reports and select *Browse by Category*
3. Choose a category under *Select Categories* on the left, then see the list of journals ranked by impact factor

# Predatory Journals Defined

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# Predatory Journals Checklist

Use this checklist after you have selected a handful of journals to send your manuscript to.

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## Predatory Journal – Yes or No??

In 2019, leading scholars and publishers crafted the following consensus definition: *“Predatory journals and publishers are entities that prioritize self-interest at the expense of scholarship and are characterized by false or misleading information, deviation from best editorial and publication practices, a lack of transparency, and/or the use of aggressive and indiscriminate solicitation practices.”*<sup>1</sup>

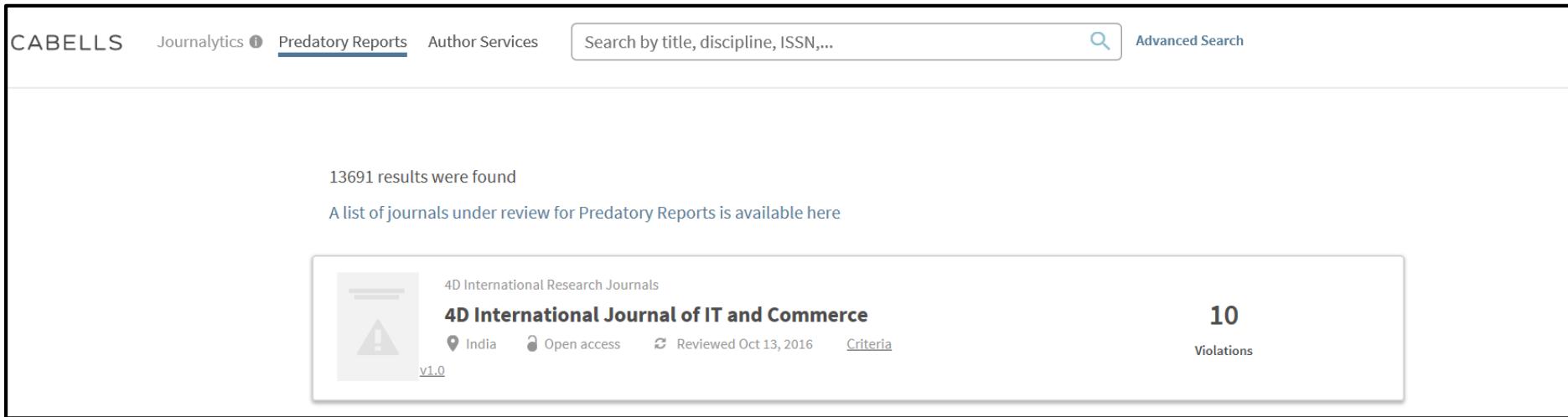
Efforts to combat predatory publishing require collaboration and support. UT Southwestern Health Sciences Digital Library & Learning Center has added [Cabell's Predatory Reports](#) as an additional resource to be used in combination with the following checklist to identify potential predatory journals.<sup>2-7</sup> Still can't find the information you need? Use the [Cabell's Predatory Reports: Current Journals Under Review for the Predatory Reports](#) link below the Cabell's Predatory Reports search box or email [journals@cabells.com](mailto:journals@cabells.com).

Journal Title:	YES	NO
<b>CHECKLIST</b>		
<b>Website Information</b>		
1. Is the publisher a member of reputable publishing organizations, i.e., <a href="#">Committee on Publication Ethics</a> , <a href="#">World Association of Medical Editors</a> , <a href="#">Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association</a> , <a href="#">International Academy of Nursing Editors(INANE)</a> ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Is the journal open access and listed in the <a href="#">Directory of Open Access Journals</a> ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is the journal indexed in <a href="#">MEDLINE</a> , <a href="#">CINAHL</a> , <a href="#">Web of Science Master Journal List</a> , <a href="#">PsycINFO</a> ? Note: MEDLINE is the largest subset of PubMed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Is the journal's impact factor in the <a href="#">InCites JCR (Journal Citation Report) Impact Factor</a> ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Is the journal's editorial board listed with their full names and institutional affiliations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the journal's scope of interest/content relevant to the author's research (i.e., biomedical only)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Is the website free of grammatical and spelling errors?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Are the website's images clear (i.e., not distorted, not fuzzy)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Is there a verifiable address, telephone and professional contact email on the website?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Review Process</b>		
10. Is the journal peer review process/manuscript handling process defined (i.e., website describes editorial oversight, manuscript processing, number of reviewers, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Is the manuscript submitted through an editorial management system where the author logs in with a username and password?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Article Processing</b>		
12. Is the article processing fee clearly stated?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Is copyright ownership by the author addressed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Is there information on whether and how journal content will be digitally preserved?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Is there a journal retraction policy?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<https://library.utsouthwestern.edu/handouts/Instruction/PredatoryJournals.pdf>

# Cabell's Predatory Reports

Use this resource to ensure the journals you've selected have not been flagged as predatory.



The screenshot shows the Cabell's Predatory Reports website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for CABELLS, Journalalytics, Predatory Reports (which is underlined in blue), and Author Services. There is also a search bar with the placeholder "Search by title, discipline, ISSN,..." and an "Advanced Search" button. Below the search bar, a message states "13691 results were found" and provides a link to "A list of journals under review for Predatory Reports is available here". A specific journal entry is highlighted: "4D International Journal of IT and Commerce". The entry includes a small icon with an exclamation mark, the journal name, its location (India), that it is "Open access", its last review date (Oct 13, 2016), a link to "Criteria", and the version "v1.0". To the right of the journal name, the number "10" is displayed above the word "Violations".

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