

Manuscript Submission Decision Tools

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

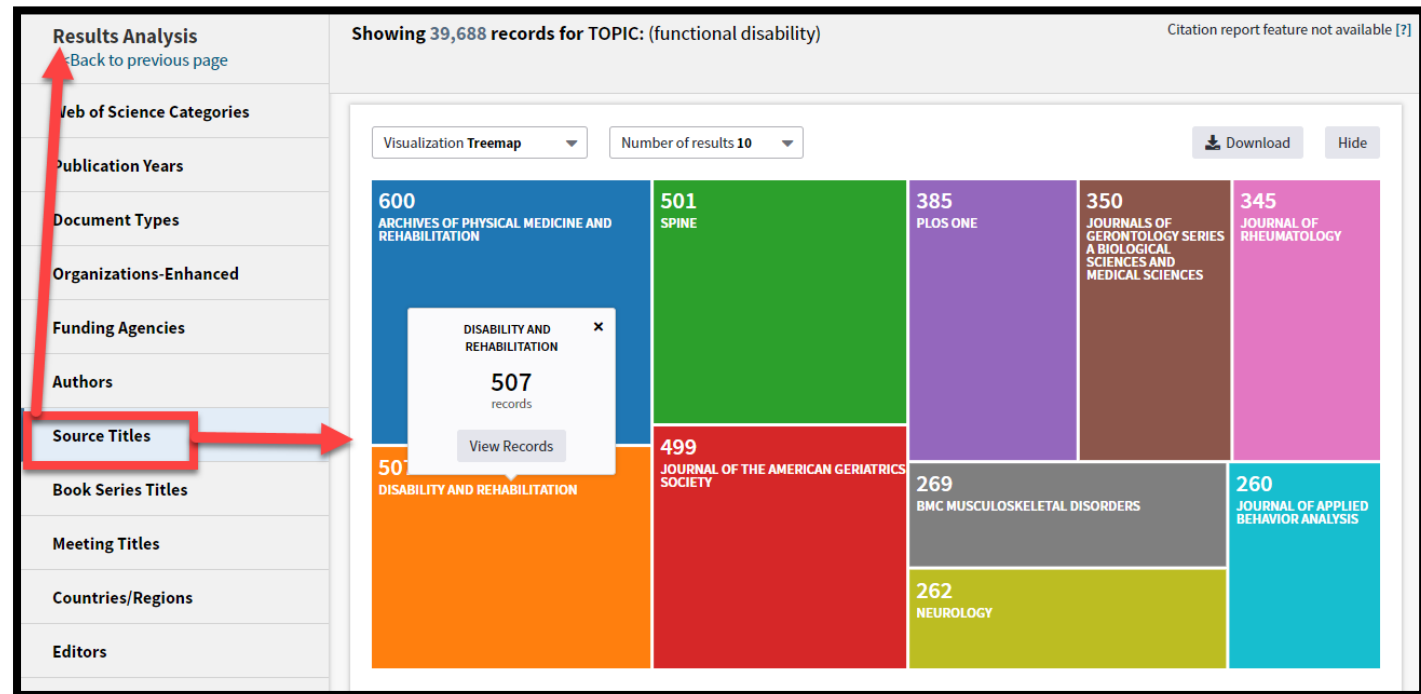
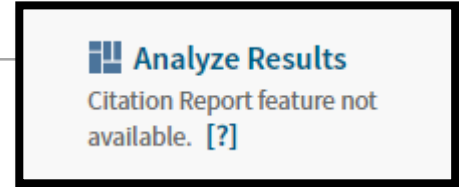
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Tools

- Web of Science
- Incites Journal Citation Report
- Predatory Journal Checklist
- Cabell's Journal Blacklist
- [Impact Factor](#)
- [H-Index](#)

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



Possible Steps

The screenshot shows a web interface for journal ranking. On the left, a sidebar contains navigation options: 'Go to Journal Profile', 'Master Search', 'Compare Journals', 'View Title Changes', 'Select Journals', and 'Select Categories'. Under 'Select Categories', a list of categories is shown, with 'CLINICAL NEUROLOGY' selected and highlighted by a red box. The main content area is titled 'Journals By Rank' and 'Categories By Rank'. It features a table of journal titles ranked by impact factor. The table has columns for 'Full Journal Title', 'Total Cites', 'Journal Impact Factor', and 'Eigenfactor Score'. A red box highlights the 'Journal Impact Factor' column header, and a red arrow points from this box down to the '51.848' value in the eighth row. The table lists the following journals:

	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

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

“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”

Predatory Journals Checklist

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

Predatory Journal – Yes or No??

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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.”*¹ 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.²⁻⁷ 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.

Journal Title:		
CHECKLIST	YES	NO
Website Information		
1. Is the publisher a member of reputable publishing organizations, i.e., Committee on Publication Ethics , World Association of Medical Editors , Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association , International Academy of Nursing Editors(INANE) ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Is the journal open access and listed in the Directory of Open Access Journals ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is the journal indexed in MEDLINE , CINAHL , Web of Science Master Journal List , PsycINFO ? Note: MEDLINE is the largest subset of PubMed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Is the journal's impact factor in the InCites JCR (Journal Citation Report) Impact Factor ?	<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"/>
Review Process		
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"/>
Article Processing		
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 CABELLS website interface. At the top left, the logo 'CABELLS' is followed by navigation links: 'Journalytics', 'Predatory Reports' (which is underlined), and 'Author Services'. To the right is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Search by title, discipline, ISSN,...' and a magnifying glass icon, followed by a link for 'Advanced Search'. Below the navigation is a horizontal line. The main content area displays '13691 results were found' and a link: 'A list of journals under review for Predatory Reports is available here'. Below this is a list of journal entries. The first entry is for '4D International Research Journals', specifically the '4D International Journal of IT and Commerce'. To the left of the journal title is a small icon of a document with a warning triangle. Below the journal title are several icons and text: a location pin for 'India', a lock icon for 'Open access', a refresh icon for 'Reviewed Oct 13, 2016', and a link for 'Criteria'. Below the journal title is the version 'v1.0'. To the right of the journal title, the number '10' is displayed above the word 'Violations'.

Journal Title	Violations
4D International Journal of IT and Commerce	10

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