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KARNATAKA RADIOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAM

CLINICAL RESEARCH – BRIDGING IMAGING & INNOVATION

SESSION – 14 – HOW TO CHOOSE A JOURNAL FOR PUBLICATION (I)



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IDENTIFY TARGET AUDIENCE

- ✓ DETERMINE THE PRIMARY SPECIALTY YOUR RESEARCH ADDRESSES (E.G., RADIOLOGY, ONCOLOGY).
- ✓ IDENTIFY THE PROFESSIONALS, RESEARCHERS, OR PRACTITIONERS WHO WILL BENEFIT MOST FROM YOUR FINDINGS.
- ✓ CONSIDER THE GEOGRAPHICAL REACH OF THE AUDIENCE (LOCAL, NATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL).
- ✓ ASSESS THE LEVEL OF EXPERTISE REQUIRED TO UNDERSTAND YOUR RESEARCH (GENERAL PRACTITIONERS VS. SPECIALISTS).
- ✓ REFLECT ON THE POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS OF YOUR RESEARCH IN CLINICAL PRACTICE OR FURTHER STUDIES.
- ✓ EVALUATE THE PATIENT POPULATION OR HEALTH OUTCOMES THAT ARE MOST RELEVANT TO YOUR STUDY.



EXAMINE THE JOURNAL'S SCOPE AND AIMS

- ✓ REVIEW THE JOURNAL'S MISSION STATEMENT AND PUBLISHED AIMS.
- ✓ ANALYZE THE TOPICS AND THEMES COVERED IN RECENT ISSUES OF THE JOURNAL.
- ✓ ENSURE YOUR MANUSCRIPT FITS WITHIN THE THEMATIC AREAS THE JOURNAL SPECIALIZES IN.
- ✓ CHECK IF THE JOURNAL PUBLISHES SIMILAR TYPES OF STUDIES (E.G., CLINICAL TRIALS, CASE STUDIES).
- ✓ UNDERSTAND THE JOURNAL'S AUDIENCE AND THEIR EXPECTATIONS FOR CONTENT.
- ✓ LOOK FOR SPECIAL ISSUES OR CALLS FOR PAPERS THAT ALIGN WITH YOUR RESEARCH.



CHECK SCIENTOMETRIC INDICATORS

- ✓ REVIEW THE JOURNAL'S IMPACT FACTOR AND ITS TREND OVER RECENT YEARS.
- ✓ ANALYZE CITATION METRICS LIKE H-INDEX AND I10-INDEX OF THE JOURNAL.
- ✓ COMPARE THE JOURNAL'S RANKING WITHIN ITS SPECIFIC FIELD OR CATEGORY.
- ✓ CONSIDER THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF CITATIONS PER ARTICLE PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL.
- ✓ ASSESS THE JOURNAL'S REPUTATION BASED ON FEEDBACK FROM PEERS OR COLLEAGUES.
- ✓ EVALUATE THE JOURNAL'S ACCEPTANCE RATE, AS A LOWER RATE OFTEN INDICATES HIGHER SELECTIVITY.



VERIFY INDEXING

- ✓ CHECK IF THE JOURNAL IS INDEXED IN MAJOR DATABASES LIKE SCOPUS, WEB OF SCIENCE, OR PUBMED.
- ✓ ENSURE THE JOURNAL IS LISTED IN DIRECTORIES LIKE DOAJ (DIRECTORY OF OPEN ACCESS JOURNALS).
- ✓ CONFIRM THE JOURNAL'S INDEXING STATUS ON THE JOURNAL'S OFFICIAL WEBSITE.
- ✓ ASSESS THE JOURNAL'S VISIBILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY THROUGH ACADEMIC LIBRARIES AND INSTITUTIONS.
- ✓ LOOK FOR THE JOURNAL'S PRESENCE IN SPECIALIZED DATABASES RELEVANT TO YOUR FIELD.
- ✓ VERIFY IF THE JOURNAL IS INDEXED IN REGIONAL DATABASES OR REPOSITORIES IF TARGETING A SPECIFIC AREA.



THANK YOU

