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Reinventing Scientific Journals

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Abstract

We present what we believe are mandatory parameters for a robust Scientific Journal in order to preserve the health of our academic publishing system.

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<https://osf.io/kzfmn/download>

Introduction

1. *How can the community create innovative scientific journals?* [1–5]
2. In this paper, we present our *definition* of a revolutionary **Scientific Journal**, namely *Scientific Journal of the second kind*, in order to promote a discussion for a healthier scientific endeavours [6, 7].

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Definitions

3. The following items in this section refer to the qualities of a Scientific Journal we believe are mandatory, taking into account a society undergoing the Informational Revolution.
4. K = the core of a scientific journal
5. I = innovation(s)
6. O = optional
7. $E_{\$}$ = financial ethical procedures
8. P = scientific papers
9. F_p = free to publish
10. F_r = free to read
11. F = free to publish and free to read
12. R = result(s)
13. M = scientific method
14. L = flexibility in the form of writing (regular text, items, ...)
15. U = updates
16. OR = open peer review
17. CO = open co-authoring

Setting the parameters

18. $P = \{M, R, I\}$
19. $K = \{P, E\}$

20. $F = F_p \cap F_r$
21. $O = \{\text{long context of the current research status}\}$
22. $E_{\$} = \{\text{transparency for the costs and prices}\}$
23. $U = \{\text{the paper can be updated even after its publication}\}$
24. $OR = \{\text{everyone is invited to review the paper}\}$
25. $CO = \{\text{everyone is invited to co-author the paper}\}$

Scientific Journal of the first kind

26. Let S_j^1 stand for the *Scientific Journal of the first kind*.
27.
$$S_j^1 = O \cup K$$
28. $S_j^1 \cap F = \emptyset$
29. $S_j^1 \cap L = \emptyset$
30. $S_j^1 \cap U = \emptyset$
31. $S_j^1 \cap E_{\$} = \emptyset$
32. $S_j^1 \cap U = \emptyset$
33. $S_j^1 \cap OR = \emptyset$
34. $S_j^1 \cap CO = \emptyset$

Scientific Journal of the second kind

35. Let S_j^2 stand for the *Scientific Journal of the second kind*.

36.

$$S_j^2 = K \cup F \cup U \cup L \cup CO \cup OR \cup E_{\$}$$

37. $S_j^2 \cap O = \neg \emptyset \vee \emptyset$

Comparison

38.

$$(\neg O \vee O) \cup K \cup F \cup U \cup L \cup CO \cup OR \cup E_{\$} = S_j^2 > S_j^1 = K \cup O$$

Final Remarks

39. Let $A \equiv S_j^2$ and $B \equiv S_j^1$.

40. $A >> B$

41. We believe stakeholders should encourage each scientist to create her/his own scientific journal.

Open Invitation

*Review, add content, and **co-author** this paper [2, 3].*

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Ethical conduct of research

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