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Free Publication of Research Papers in UGC and Scopus

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Introduction:

Interpretation of research findings is important & challenging for researchers. One method of communicating research findings is through publication. Major advantage of publishing is to convey to a larger audience based on the circulation of a particular journal.

Preparation:

Preparation of manuscript for publication differs little among varied journals. The general content includes over all research process.

- □ Consider- i) Query letter
 - ii) Manuscript guidelines
 - iii) Review process

UGC CARE: (University Grant Commission)

- UGC of India: It has been made responsible for the coordination of Indian Universities, determination of the standards of Indian Universities & maintaince of standards of higher education in India. In today's scenario, UGC manages one of the largest higher education systems in the world.
- Concept of CARE: CARE Consortium for Academic and Research Ethics, signifies 'Quality Journals' by UGC India.
- UGC- India has set up a Consortium for Academic and Research Ethics (CARE) to ensure prevention of academic misconduct that includes plagiarism in academic writing among students, faculty, researchers and staff and related stakeholders.

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- CARE members include Statutory Councils / Academics / Government bodies in Social Sciences , Humanities , Arts and Fine Arts , Sciences, Medical , Agriculture , Engineering and the Association of Indian Universities.
- Inclusion of new journals done only through CARE Portal by UGC cell at Pune. It can be accessed only by CARE members and CARE Universities for submission of journal proposals.

Objectives of UGC- CARE:

To promote the quality and credible research.

 To promote academic and research integrity as well as publication ethics.

To promote high quality publications in reputed journals that would help in achieving higher global ranks and overall improvement of the quality of research and education.

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To prevent publications in dubious / sub-standard journals which reflect adversely & tarnish the image of research work and thus lead to a long term academic damage.

 To create & maintain a 'CARE Reference List of Quality journals ' for various evaluations.

CARE List:

 Group A: Research journals in disciplines under Science, Engineering, Technology, Agriculture, Biomedical indexed in SCOPUS & /or web of Science (WOS).

 Group B: Journals qualified after analysis as per the protocol from the UGC list.

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Group C: Journals from social sciences, humanities,
 languages and Indian Knowledge Systems.

Group D: New journals submitted by CARE
 Universities which are qualified as per the protocol.

Web of Science:

These journals are part of UGC- CARE list as Group A & searchable through following links:

1. Arts and Humanities Citation Index.

2. Science Citation Index Expanded.

3. Social sciences Citation Index.

Criteria:

- □ Journals scoring more than 6 out of 10 as per the protocol will be qualified for inclusion in the CARE list. The journals scoring between 4-5 will be kept under observation for 3 years as "Emerging List" which may be subsequently included in the CARE list.
- CARE members consist of representatives of more than 30 universities of specific disciplines.

CARE Protocol for Journal:

Protocol 1:

- 1. Journal Title
- 2. Journal Broad Discipline & Focus Subject
- 3. Name of Publisher
- 4. Country of Origin & Registered address
- 5. Journal language /s
- 6. Publishing Frequency
- 7. Editor name, Editorial office address, phone e-mail and website.

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- 8. Current Status (print / online / both)
- 9. ISSN / eISSN.
- 10. Other registrations / memberships such as RNI/COPE/ CARE.

<u>Part II and III</u>: Protocol for Analysis and Assessment – purpose to be used by UGC Cell for Journal Analysis.

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Merits of Publishing in UGC CARE:

 Publishing in UGC journals gives 2 marks when calculating API Score during Academic Performance Evaluation.

SCOPUS Journals

- Concept of Scopus:
- Scopus is Elsevier's abstract and citation database.
- Launched in 2004, the name inspired by the word, 'Hammer Kop' (Scopus Umbretta).
- It is the largest abstract & citation database of peer reviewed literature, scientific journals, books and conference proceedings.
- Published research in the fields of science, technology, medicine, social sciences, arts and humanities.

Features of Scopus:

- Links to both citing & cited documents, allowing the user to go both forwards and backwards in time.
- Open access titles are included in the index.
- Indexes web pages and patents with a claim to over
 167 million relevant web pages.
- Open URL complaint and works with any link resolver, using image based linking.
- Can link to the publisher's website to view the document.
- Offers both on- and -off site training as well as webbased training and on-line tutorials.

Salient Features of Scopus: (Jan 2020)

- > 23, 452 peer reviewed journals.
- > 852 book series.
- 294 trade publications.
- > 9.8 million conference papers from 1,20,000 worldwide events.
- Over 77.8 million records.
- > 44 million patent records from 5 patent offices.

Types of Source Materials in Scopus:

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Serial

Non – serial sources

Serial Sources:

- Scopus indexes serial publications (journals, book series & conferences materials) have been assigned as ISSN.
- Available as physical & electronic formats.
- Non- Serial Sources:
- A non- serial source is a publication with an ISBN, unless it is a report, part of a book series, proceeding (non- serial) or patent.
- Available in physical & electronic formats & usually a monograph or composed work.

Types of Documents in Scopus:

- Letter
- □ Note
- Retracted article
- □ Review
- Short survey
- Book reviews are NOT covered in Scopus.

Publishers of Scopus:

- Cambridge University Press.
- Elsevier
- Springer
- Karger Medical & Scientific Publishers
- □ Nature Publishing Group (NPG)
- □ The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- BioMed Central (BMC)
- Lippincott , Williams and Wilkins (LWW)
- Thieme

Cont...

- American Association for the Advancement of Science .
- BMJ Publishing Group.
- World Scientific.
- Wiley Blackwell
- American Psychological association (APA)
- Taylor and Francis
- Primary Care Respiratory Society UK (PCRJ)

Free On-line journals:

- IJSER: International Journal of Scientific and Engineering Research.
- 2. Hindawi Open access publishing.
- Technium Social Sciences Journal: On line open access, peer reviewed, interdisciplinary, monthly and fully referred journal focusing on theories, methods and applications in Communication Sciences, Economics, Psychology, Education, Political Science, Sociology, Administrative Sciences and Social Work and many more.
- 4. ELSEVIER:

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