



THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT BEFORE PUBLISHING



Language

The article must comply with the journal's requirements



Some journals require the article to be in a specific language (usually English) in order to be published.

You must check the language requirements in the author instructions on the journal's website.



Peer review

Journal articles must be subject to peer review



You must check that the journal has a peer review system.

You can consult the peer review process at JCR and SJR, Latindex...



Quality

The journal must have impact and visibility and be presented correctly



Its articles must be cited by other journals in order to have visibility and dissemination and comply with the formal criteria regarding use.

You should check its impact on JCR, SJR, MIAR, Google Scholar...



Requirements

Scientific publications must comply with the requirements of funding organisations regarding open access



Not all subscription journals are aligned with the open access policies of funding organisations.

To find out the exact editorial policies of subscription journals, you must access their websites.



Ethics

The journal must have credibility and meet the criteria for publication



A journal is considered to be predatory if it pretends to be an established journal but it is not indexed on WOS, SCOPUS, etc. and it does not carry out accurate peer reviews.

You must check that the journal does not form part of Beall's List and ensure that it appears on JCR, WOS, SCOPUS, etc.



Speed

The publication procedure must have reasonable deadlines.



The deadlines for acceptance, review and publication may be very long without being inconvenient to us.

You should check the publication deadlines in the authors' instructions on the journal's website.



Open access

The journal must allow publication in some format of open access



If you want to publish in an open access journal, you can consult the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ).

You should check the open access possibilities offered by the journal on Sherpa-Romeo, Dulcinea or the journal website.



Expenses

The cost of publication must be reasonable



Some journals charge authors a fee known as the APC for publishing in OA, but you can also publish in open access journals without any cost.

You should check the publication costs on the journal's website and consult the URV's OPEN initiative to see if you can get subsidy for the cost of publication.