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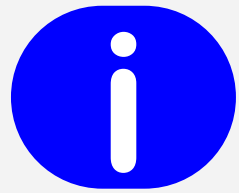
**CHECK**



**SUBMIT**

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## What?

- *Think. Check. Submit.* campaign
- Help researchers identify trusted journals
- A simple checklist to assess credentials
- Help ensure a corpus of quality literature



## Why?

- More research is being published worldwide
- New journals launched each week
- Stories of malpractice & deception on the rise
- Can be a challenge to find up-to-date guidance



## Implications

- Journal has low or no profile among peers
  - > Few or no citations
- Paper not indexed or archived
  - > Difficult or impossible for peers to find
- Poor publishing experience
  - > Work not adequately reviewed or edited
- Damaged reputation



Choose the right journal for your research

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Sharing research results with the world is key to the progress of your discipline and career. But with so many publications, how can you be sure you can trust a particular journal? Follow this check list to make sure you choose trusted journals for your research.



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Is it the right journal for your work?



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### Latest news

#### New study highlights need for researcher support

1st October 2015

Launching today, Think. Check. Submit. is a new industry-wide initiative that provides a checklist of quality indicators that can...[Read more...](#)

#### Think. Check. Submit. at PUBMET2015

25th September 2015

Lars Bjørnshauge (SPARC Europe & DOAJ) presented the new cross-industry initiative, Think. Check. Submit., at PUBMET2015, Zadar, Croatia September...[Read more...](#)

#### Think. Check. Submit. at COASP 2015

16th September 2015

Lars Bjørnshauge (SPARC, DOAJ) presented the new cross-industry initiative, Think. Check. Submit., at COASP 2015 today. The campaign aims...[Read more...](#)

#### Think. Check. Submit. introduced at ALPSP 2015

14th September 2015



The image shows a Twitter profile card for the account @tcs\_campaign. The profile picture is a blue rectangle. The header area contains three buttons: a red button with a white exclamation mark and the word 'THINK', an orange button with a white checkmark and the word 'CHECK', and a green button with a white right-pointing arrow and the word 'SUBMIT'. Below these buttons, the statistics are listed: 'TWEETS 4', 'FOLLOWING 29', and 'FOLLOWERS 102'. To the right of the statistics is a gear icon and a blue 'Following' button. The profile name is 'Think Check Submit' and the handle is '@tcs\_campaign'. The bio reads 'Choose a trustworthy journal for your research. Think. Check. Submit.' and the location is 'United Kingdom' with the website 'thinkchecksubmit.org'.

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**THINK**

- ! Are you submitting to a trusted journal?
- ! Is it the best one for your work?



# CHECK

- ✓ Do you or your colleagues know the journal?
- ✓ Can you identify, and contact, the publisher?
- ✓ Do you recognize the editorial board?
- ✓ Are any publication charges clearly stated?
- ✓ Is the journal clear about the type of peer review it uses?





**SUBMIT**

- > If you can answer 'yes' to all or most of the check list questions
- > Only then should you submit your article



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## Who?

- ✓ ALPSP
- ✓ BioMed Central
- ✓ DOAJ
- ✓ INASP
- ✓ ISSN
- ✓ LIBER
- ✓ OASPA
- ✓ SPARC
- ✓ Springer Nature
- ✓ STM
- ✓ Ubiquity Press
- ✓ UKSG



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