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JOURNAL VERIFICATION & SUBMISSION TOOLKIT

Find the Right Journal. Verify Before You Submit. Prepare Your Manuscript with Confidence.

A Practical Journal Selection, Indexing Verification & Manuscript Submission Workbook

BONUS RESOURCE 02

Research Publication Mastery Programme

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A MESSAGE FROM DR. MARIEA FRANCIS

Dear Researcher,

Completing a research manuscript is an important academic achievement. However, preparing a manuscript and identifying an appropriate journal for publication are two different challenges.

Many researchers spend considerable time searching for journal names without first checking whether those journals are suitable for their research.

Some focus entirely on indexing status. Others rely on journal recommendations forwarded through social media, email or professional networks without independently verifying the information.

Journal selection requires more than finding an indexed journal.

It involves understanding the research topic, study design, article type, target readership, indexing requirements, journal policies and manuscript readiness.

This workbook has been designed to help you approach that process systematically.

As you progress through the toolkit, you will learn how to identify suitable journals, verify important information using official sources, compare journal options and prepare your manuscript for submission.

More importantly, you will be able to recognise areas where you may need further clarification before making a publication decision.

Use this workbook alongside your manuscript. Complete the assessment questions, maintain your journal comparison records and document your final decisions.

My objective is to help you approach academic publication with greater clarity, responsibility and confidence.

Understand your manuscript. Verify your journal. Prepare your submission.

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HOW TO USE THIS WORKBOOK

This toolkit is divided into three stages.

STAGE 1 — FIND

Identify journals relevant to your manuscript, research objectives and institutional requirements.

STAGE 2 — VERIFY

Examine indexing records, journal credibility, publication charges and relevant policies.

STAGE 3 — SUBMIT

Prepare the required documents, complete your submission checklist and understand how to manage subsequent journal communication.

Throughout this workbook, you will find practical assessment questions.

Use the following response options:

YES: I have independently checked this and can identify supporting evidence.

NO: This requirement has not yet been satisfied.

NOT SURE: I need additional information or professional clarification.

N/A: The question does not apply to my particular manuscript or journal. Record the reason.

Do not tick YES merely because you assume something is correct.

When checking journal information, always record the source and verification date.

Important: This workbook is intended for education and self-assessment. It cannot certify that a journal is legitimate, establish manuscript acceptance probability, or guarantee publication. Always follow the target journal's current instructions and your institution's specific requirements.

PART 1 — UNDERSTANDING YOUR PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT

1.1 Before Searching for a Journal

Before looking for journal names, identify what you actually need.

A researcher preparing an original clinical study may have a different journal requirement from someone preparing a case report, systematic review or laboratory-based study.

Similarly, an institution may specify a particular indexing database or publication category.

Journal selection should begin with these requirements.

MY RESEARCH PROFILE

Researcher's Name: _____

Designation: _____

Institution: _____

Department / Speciality: _____

Email Address: _____

Manuscript Title: _____

Primary Research Objective: _____

Study Design: _____

Intended Article Type: _____

Current Manuscript Status:

☐ Research completed

☐ Thesis completed

☐ Manuscript being prepared

☐ Complete manuscript ready for review

☐ Previously submitted

☐ Previously rejected

☐ Revision requested

☐ Other: _____

MY PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT

What is the main purpose of this publication?

☐ Academic requirement

☐ Career advancement

☐ Postgraduate / PhD requirement

☐ Institutional research output

☐ Scientific dissemination

☐ Other: _____

Does my institution require a specific indexing category?

☐ Scopus

☐ MEDLINE

☐ PubMed-related requirement — clarification needed

☐ Web of Science

☐ Specific university/institution-approved journal list

☐ No specific indexing requirement

☐ Not sure

Additional requirements: _____

Relevant academic deadline, if any: _____

Publication budget, if applicable: _____

REFLECTION

Can I clearly explain my publication requirement before searching for a journal?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

If not, clarify the requirement with your guide, institution or academic authority before proceeding.

PART 2 — THE JOURNAL SEARCH ROADMAP

2.1 How to Identify Potential Journals

Begin by identifying journals that publish work relevant to your research topic.

A useful journal search should consider:

- The research speciality.
- The study design.
- The article type.
- The scientific focus of the manuscript.
- The intended readership.
- The academic indexing requirement.
- The journal's stated aims and scope.
- Recent publications within that journal.

STEP 1 — IDENTIFY YOUR SUBJECT AREA

Write down three to five important keywords describing your manuscript.

Keyword 1: _____

Keyword 2: _____

Keyword 3: _____

Keyword 4: _____

Keyword 5: _____

STEP 2 — EXAMINE RELATED PUBLISHED ARTICLES

Identify relevant research papers related to your manuscript.

Observe which journals regularly publish similar research.

This does not mean those journals will automatically accept your paper.

It gives you possible journals to investigate further.

STEP 3 — REVIEW THE JOURNAL'S AIMS AND SCOPE

Visit the journal's official website.

Read its aims and scope.

Check whether the journal publishes your specific research area and article type.

STEP 4 — EXAMINE RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Review relevant papers published recently by the journal.

Consider whether their subject matter and article types align with your manuscript.

STEP 5 — BUILD AN INITIAL SHORTLIST

Shortlist approximately three to five journals for further investigation.

Do not submit immediately.

Complete the verification and suitability assessments in the following sections first.

PART 3 — JOURNAL SUITABILITY REALITY CHECK

IS THE JOURNAL ACTUALLY SUITABLE FOR MY MANUSCRIPT?

Select one journal from your initial shortlist and answer the following questions.

Journal Name: _____

Official Website: _____

No.	Assessment Question	YES	NO	NOT SURE
1	Does my manuscript fall within the journal's stated aims and scope?	☐	☐	☐
2	Does the journal accept my article type?	☐	☐	☐
3	Have I reviewed its recent publications?	☐	☐	☐
4	Is the journal's readership relevant to my research?	☐	☐	☐
5	Does the journal meet my institutional publication requirements?	☐	☐	☐
6	Have I read the journal's current author guidelines?	☐	☐	☐
7	Have I verified the relevant indexing information independently?	☐	☐	☐
8	Do I understand its publication model and relevant fees?	☐	☐	☐
9	Have I assessed whether my manuscript matches the journal's scientific focus?	☐	☐	☐
10	Can I explain why this journal is appropriate for my particular manuscript?	☐	☐	☐

MY RESULTS

YES: _____ / 10

NO: _____ / 10

NOT SURE: _____ / 10

WHAT HAVE I DISCOVERED?

Which important areas have not been verified?

What additional information do I need?

What should I do before considering this journal further?

Remember: A journal can be indexed and still be unsuitable for your manuscript. Indexing is only one part of journal selection.

PART 4 — UNDERSTANDING JOURNAL INDEXING

4.1 Why Indexing Matters

Academic databases organise and make research literature discoverable.

Different databases have different coverage, journal-selection processes and inclusion criteria.

Your institution may require publication in a journal covered by a particular database or category.

It is therefore important to understand exactly what your requirement means.

Do not assume that Scopus, PubMed, MEDLINE, PubMed Central and Web of Science are interchangeable.

4.2 SCOPUS

Scopus is a bibliographic and citation database.

Researchers can use its official source information to check a journal's record and available coverage information.

Official source:
https://www.scopus.com/sources

How to check a journal

1. Open Scopus Sources.
2. Search using the journal title or ISSN.
3. Identify the matching source record.
4. Verify the title and ISSN.
5. Review the available source and coverage information.
6. Check for relevant discontinued coverage or other status information.

7. Record the verification date.

My Scopus Verification Record

Journal Title: _____

ISSN: _____

Publisher: _____

Source Record Identified: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Relevant Coverage Information: _____

Discontinued Coverage / Status Observations: _____

Official Source URL: _____

Date Verified: _____

A Scopus record or historical coverage must not be treated as a promise of permanent future coverage.

4.3 PUBMED, MEDLINE AND PUBMED CENTRAL

These terms must be understood separately.

PubMed: A search and retrieval resource for biomedical and life-sciences literature.

MEDLINE: A bibliographic database of journal citations and abstracts, with indexing that includes NLM's Medical Subject Headings.

PubMed Central (PMC): An archive containing full-text biomedical and life-sciences literature.

The presence of an individual article in PubMed does not automatically mean that its journal is currently indexed in MEDLINE.

Official verification source

NLM Catalog:

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nlmcatalog/journals

How to check MEDLINE status

1. Open the NLM Catalog.

2. Search using the exact journal title or ISSN.
3. Select the correct journal record.
4. Review the journal identity and available indexing information.
5. Locate the current MEDLINE indexing status where applicable.
6. Record the relevant coverage information.
7. Save the official verification details.

My NLM Verification Record

Journal Name: _____

ISSN: _____

NLM Catalog Record: _____

Current MEDLINE Indexing Status: _____

Relevant PubMed / PMC Information: _____

Date Verified: _____

Academic Requirement Satisfied: ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

IMPORTANT

If your institution specifically requires MEDLINE indexing, finding an individual article in PubMed is not sufficient evidence.

Verify the actual institutional requirement and the relevant journal record.

4.4 WEB OF SCIENCE

Web of Science is a research platform containing multiple citation indexes and collections.

A journal's inclusion in one collection should not automatically be treated as equivalent to inclusion in every other collection.

Official verification source

Clarivate Master Journal List:

https://mjl.clarivate.com/

Verification steps

1. Search for the journal using its exact title or ISSN.
2. Identify the correct journal record.

3. Review the available coverage information.
4. Identify the relevant Web of Science collection.
5. Check whether the collection satisfies your specific academic requirement.
6. Record the verification date.

My Web of Science Verification Record

Journal Name: _____

ISSN: _____

Relevant Collection: _____

Official Record / Link: _____

Date Verified: _____

Institutional Requirement Satisfied: ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

4.5 DIRECTORY OF OPEN ACCESS JOURNALS

DOAJ is a directory of open-access journals.

Its inclusion criteria and purpose are different from Scopus, MEDLINE and Web of Science.

Official source:

https://doaj.org/

A DOAJ listing should not be represented as equivalent to indexing in another database.

My DOAJ Verification Record

Journal Name: _____

ISSN: _____

Record Found: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Date Verified: _____

PART 5 — THE SEVEN-POINT INDEXING VERIFICATION CHECKLIST

Before accepting a journal's indexing claim, verify these details.

No.	Verification Question	YES	NO	NOT SURE
1	Have I identified the exact journal title?	☐	☐	☐
2	Have I matched the journal's ISSN?	☐	☐	☐
3	Have I verified the publisher identity?	☐	☐	☐
4	Have I located the journal in the appropriate official database?	☐	☐	☐
5	Have I checked the relevant indexing category or collection?	☐	☐	☐
6	Have I examined coverage information and status where applicable?	☐	☐	☐
7	Have I recorded the source and verification date?	☐	☐	☐

MY INDEXING VERIFICATION RESULT

YES: _____ / 7

NO: _____ / 7

NOT SURE: _____ / 7

My most important unresolved question:

Do not rely only on logos, indexing statements displayed by a journal, or third-party lists.

PART 6 — JOURNAL CREDIBILITY ASSESSMENT

BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR MANUSCRIPT, INVESTIGATE THESE WARNING SIGNS

A journal's credibility should be evaluated using multiple sources of information.

The following questions identify matters that may require further investigation.

In this section, tick YES if the concerning situation is present.

No.	Potential Warning Sign	YES	NO	NOT SURE
1	The journal promises guaranteed acceptance.	☐	☐	☐
2	It promises unusually rapid publication without adequately explaining peer review.	☐	☐	☐
3	Its claimed indexing cannot be independently verified.	☐	☐	☐
4	Its publisher identity is unclear or inconsistent.	☐	☐	☐
5	Its publication charges are not clearly disclosed.	☐	☐	☐
6	Its editorial board information appears unverifiable.	☐	☐	☐
7	Its peer-review and publication-ethics policies are unclear.	☐	☐	☐
8	Its official website and submission portal appear inconsistent.	☐	☐	☐
9	Its contact or payment details cannot be reasonably verified.	☐	☐	☐
10	It pressures authors to make payment before essential information can be verified.	☐	☐	☐

MY FINDINGS

Warning Signs Identified: _____

Unresolved Questions: _____

MY NEXT ACTION

☐ Obtain clarification from the official publisher.

☐ Independently verify indexing and publisher identity.

☐ Review the journal's official policies.

☐ Consider alternative journals.

☐ Seek qualified publication guidance.

One warning sign does not automatically establish that a journal is fraudulent or predatory. It should prompt appropriate investigation.

PART 7 — UNDERSTANDING JOURNAL PUBLICATION CHARGES

WHAT WILL PUBLICATION ACTUALLY COST?

Before selecting a journal, understand its publication model.

Some journals charge article processing charges.

Others operate using subscription, hybrid or other publication models.

Additional charges may apply under specific circumstances.

Verify all fees directly through the journal's official policies.

PUBLICATION COST WORKSHEET

Journal Name: _____

Publication Model: _____

Expense	Amount
Article Processing Charge, if applicable	
Applicable Additional Journal Charges	
Currency Conversion / Bank Charges	
Applicable Taxes	
Other Documented Charges	

Expense	Amount
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	

Official Fee Information URL: _____

Currency: _____

Date Verified: _____

REFLECTION

Have I checked the journal's actual publication fees?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

Do I understand the circumstances under which payment may become due?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

Have I independently verified the payment recipient and official payment instructions?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

PART 8 — THE THREE-JOURNAL COMPARISON WORKSHEET

COMPARE YOUR OPTIONS BEFORE MAKING A DECISION

Shortlist three potentially suitable journals and evaluate them using the same criteria.

Evaluation Criterion	JOURNAL A	JOURNAL B	JOURNAL C
Journal Name			
Publisher			
ISSN / E-ISSN			
Official Website			
Scope Alignment			

Evaluation Criterion	JOURNAL A	JOURNAL B	JOURNAL C
Accepted Article Type			
Intended Readership			
Required Indexing Verified			
Database / Collection			
Official Verification Source			
Verification Date			
Publication Model			
Relevant Charges			
Author Guidelines Reviewed			
Manuscript Suitability			
Important Concerns			

JOURNAL COMPARISON REFLECTION

Which journal appears most closely aligned with my manuscript?

Which journals meet my actual academic indexing requirement?

What are the main differences in scope and author requirements?

What important concerns remain unresolved?

Which journal am I currently considering, and why?

Do not submit the same manuscript simultaneously to multiple journals contrary to applicable publication requirements.

PART 9 — MY FINAL JOURNAL DECISION SHEET

Selected Journal: _____

Publisher: _____

ISSN: _____

Official Website: _____

Accepted Article Type: _____

Reason for Selecting This Journal:

Verified Indexing Requirement:

Official Verification Source:

Date Verified:

Publication Fees Checked: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Author Guidelines Reviewed: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Important Outstanding Requirements:

My Planned Submission Date:

MY FINAL DECISION

☐ Proceed with submission preparation.

☐ Complete further verification.

☐ Reassess journal suitability.

☐ Seek additional academic guidance.

PART 10 — JOURNAL SUBMISSION PREPARATION

ARE YOU READY TO SUBMIT YOUR MANUSCRIPT?

Once a suitable journal has been selected, prepare the manuscript according to its current author instructions.

The exact requirements differ across journals and article types.

The following checklist helps identify common areas that researchers should verify.

THE 25-POINT FINAL SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

A. MANUSCRIPT PREPARATION

No.	Question	YES	NO	N/A
1	Is the article type correctly selected?	☐	☐	☐
2	Does the manuscript follow the journal's format?	☐	☐	☐
3	Have relevant word limits been checked?	☐	☐	☐
4	Does the abstract meet the journal's requirements?	☐	☐	☐
5	Are the keywords appropriately selected and formatted?	☐	☐	☐

B. TABLES AND FIGURES

No.	Question	YES	NO	N/A
6	Are figures and tables prepared in the required formats?	☐	☐	☐
7	Is the figure quality appropriate for submission?	☐	☐	☐
8	Are captions, legends and abbreviations explained?	☐	☐	☐

No.	Question	YES	NO	N/A
9	Is table and figure numbering consistent?	☐	☐	☐
10	Have required permissions for reused material been obtained?	☐	☐	☐

C. AUTHOR INFORMATION

No.	Question	YES	NO	N/A
11	Are all author names accurate?	☐	☐	☐
12	Are institutional affiliations correct?	☐	☐	☐
13	Is the corresponding author's information correct?	☐	☐	☐
14	Has the author order been agreed upon?	☐	☐	☐
15	Have all authors approved the manuscript for submission?	☐	☐	☐

D. ETHICS AND DECLARATIONS

No.	Question	YES	NO	N/A
16	Have relevant ethics approval or exemption requirements been addressed?	☐	☐	☐
17	Have applicable consent requirements been addressed?	☐	☐	☐
18	Have funding sources been declared?	☐	☐	☐
19	Have relevant conflicts of interest been disclosed?	☐	☐	☐
20	Have required reporting checklists, registration details and other declarations been completed?	☐	☐	☐

E. FINAL SUBMISSION FILES

No.	Question	YES	NO	N/A
21	Is the cover letter prepared?	☐	☐	☐
22	Are required supplementary files ready?	☐	☐	☐
23	Have references been checked?	☐	☐	☐
24	Has the final manuscript version been verified?	☐	☐	☐
25	Is the required submission information complete and accurate?	☐	☐	☐

FINAL RESULTS

YES: _____

NO: _____

N/A: _____

WHAT IS STILL PENDING?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Complete outstanding applicable requirements before submission.

_____

PART 11 — COVER LETTER TEMPLATE

SAMPLE JOURNAL SUBMISSION COVER LETTER

Date: [Insert Date]

To
The Editor-in-Chief
[Journal Name]

Subject: Submission of Manuscript — [Insert Manuscript Title]

Dear Editor,

We are pleased to submit our manuscript entitled "[Insert Manuscript Title]" for consideration as a [Insert Article Type] in [Insert Journal Name].

This study examines [briefly describe the research objective and the problem being investigated].

The principal contribution of this research is [briefly explain the important scientific findings or contribution].

We believe this manuscript is relevant to your journal because [explain its alignment with the journal's aims, scope and intended readership].

[Include the statements required by the target journal regarding originality, concurrent submission, related work, authorship, conflicts of interest, ethical compliance or other applicable matters. Ensure all statements are accurate and verified.]

Thank you for considering our manuscript.

Sincerely,

[Corresponding Author Name]
[Designation]
[Department / Institution]
[Email Address]
[Contact Details]

COVER LETTER SELF-CHECK

☐ Correct journal name.

☐ Correct manuscript title.

☐ Correct article type.

☐ Clear explanation of the study's contribution.

☐ Relevant explanation of journal suitability.

☐ All applicable required statements included.

☐ Corresponding author information verified.

☐ No inaccurate or unsupported declarations.

PART 12 — JOURNAL SUBMISSION TRACKER

KEEP YOUR PUBLICATION JOURNEY ORGANISED

Use this tracker to document important submission information.

Manuscript Title: _____

Corresponding Author: _____

Tracking Field	Information
Selected Journal	
Publisher	
Manuscript ID	
Submission Date	
Editorial Status	
Last Communication Date	
Editor / Journal Communication	
Revision Requested	
Revision Deadline	
Revised Submission Date	

Tracking Field	Information
Final Decision	
Next Action	
Remarks	

COMMON STATUS CATEGORIES

☐ Preparing for submission.

☐ Submitted.

☐ Under editorial assessment.

☐ Under peer review.

☐ Minor revision requested.

☐ Major revision requested.

☐ Rejected.

☐ Accepted.

☐ Withdrawn.

☐ Published.

The journal may use different status terminology in its own submission system.

PART 13 — UNDERSTANDING JOURNAL EDITORIAL DECISIONS

After submission, your manuscript may move through different editorial stages.

Understanding these stages can help you respond appropriately.

13.1 DESK REJECTION

A desk rejection occurs when the manuscript is declined before proceeding through external peer review.

Possible contributing factors may include journal scope, article type, editorial priorities, scientific contribution, manuscript presentation or other concerns identified by the editor.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

1. Read the editor's communication carefully.
2. Record the stated reasons.
3. Identify whether revisions are needed.
4. Reassess journal suitability.
5. Decide on an appropriate next submission strategy.

Avoid automatically submitting an unchanged manuscript elsewhere without considering the available feedback.

13.2 PEER REVIEW

If your manuscript is sent for peer review, follow the journal's editorial process and communication.

Respond to editorial requests appropriately and keep records of correspondence.

13.3 MINOR OR MAJOR REVISION

A revision request provides an opportunity to respond to reviewer and editorial concerns.

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

1. Read all comments carefully.
2. Categorise each comment.
3. Identify the required manuscript changes.
4. Revise where appropriate.
5. Prepare a clear, point-by-point response.
6. Explain any justified disagreement respectfully.
7. Verify that responses correspond with the revised manuscript.

13.4 REJECTION AFTER PEER REVIEW

If the manuscript is rejected after peer review, examine the feedback to identify possible weaknesses or journal-suitability concerns.

A rejection does not automatically mean the research has no scientific value.

However, important methodological or interpretation concerns should not be ignored.

13.5 ACCEPTANCE

After acceptance, complete the journal's production requirements.

Check proofs and confirm relevant information such as author names, affiliations, text, figures and tables.

Follow the journal's final publication instructions.

PART 14 — REJECTION & RESUBMISSION WORKSHEET

Journal Previously Submitted To:

Manuscript ID:

Submission Date:

Decision Date:

DECISION RECEIVED

☐ Desk rejection.

☐ Rejection after peer review.

☐ Minor revision.

☐ Major revision.

☐ Other: _____

WHAT WERE THE MAIN COMMENTS?

WHAT DO THESE COMMENTS INDICATE?

☐ Journal scope concern.

☐ Scientific presentation concern.

☐ Methodological concern.

☐ Statistical reporting concern.

☐ Discussion / interpretation concern.

☐ Other concern.

☐ Requires further clarification.

WHAT CHANGES HAVE I COMPLETED?

WHAT STILL REQUIRES ATTENTION?

MY NEXT STEP

☐ Revise the manuscript.

☐ Clarify reviewer comments.

☐ Review journal suitability.

☐ Prepare a response to reviewers.

☐ Seek relevant expert guidance.

☐ Identify an alternative journal after resolving the existing submission status.

PART 15 — MY FINAL JOURNAL VERIFICATION RESULTS

YOUR PERSONAL JOURNAL DECISION SUMMARY

Now that you have completed the workbook, review your findings.

1. HAVE I IDENTIFIED SUITABLE JOURNALS?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

2. HAVE I INDEPENDENTLY VERIFIED MY REQUIRED INDEXING INFORMATION?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

3. HAVE I CHECKED JOURNAL CREDIBILITY AND RELEVANT PUBLICATION POLICIES?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

4. HAVE I COMPARED THE MOST RELEVANT JOURNAL OPTIONS?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

5. HAVE I COMPLETED THE APPLICABLE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT SURE

WHAT DID I DISCOVER THROUGH THIS WORKBOOK?

The most important thing I learned about journal selection:

The most important information I still need to verify:

The biggest concern regarding my current publication plan:

The action I should take before my next submission:

MY THREE PRIORITY ACTIONS

Priority	Issue Identified	Action Required
1		

Priority	Issue Identified	Action Required
2		
3		

FINAL MESSAGE FROM DR. MARIEA FRANCIS

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Independently verify relevant information, review the journal's scope and prepare your manuscript according to its current submission requirements.

Most importantly, remember that identifying a suitable journal does not guarantee acceptance.

The final editorial decision rests with the journal.

Use this toolkit as a practical reference whenever you prepare a manuscript for submission.

Understand your manuscript. Verify your journal. Prepare your submission.

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OFFICIAL REFERENCE RESOURCES

The following resources may be consulted for further information:

Scopus Sources
https://www.scopus.com/sources

NLM Catalog
https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nlmcatalog/journals

PubMed
https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/

PubMed Central
https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/

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Directory of Open Access Journals
https://doaj.org/

ICMJE Recommendations
https://www.icmje.org/recommendations/

EQUATOR Network
https://www.equator-network.org/

Think. Check. Submit.
https://thinkchecksubmit.org/

These resources should be consulted alongside the current requirements of the selected journal and the researcher's institution.

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