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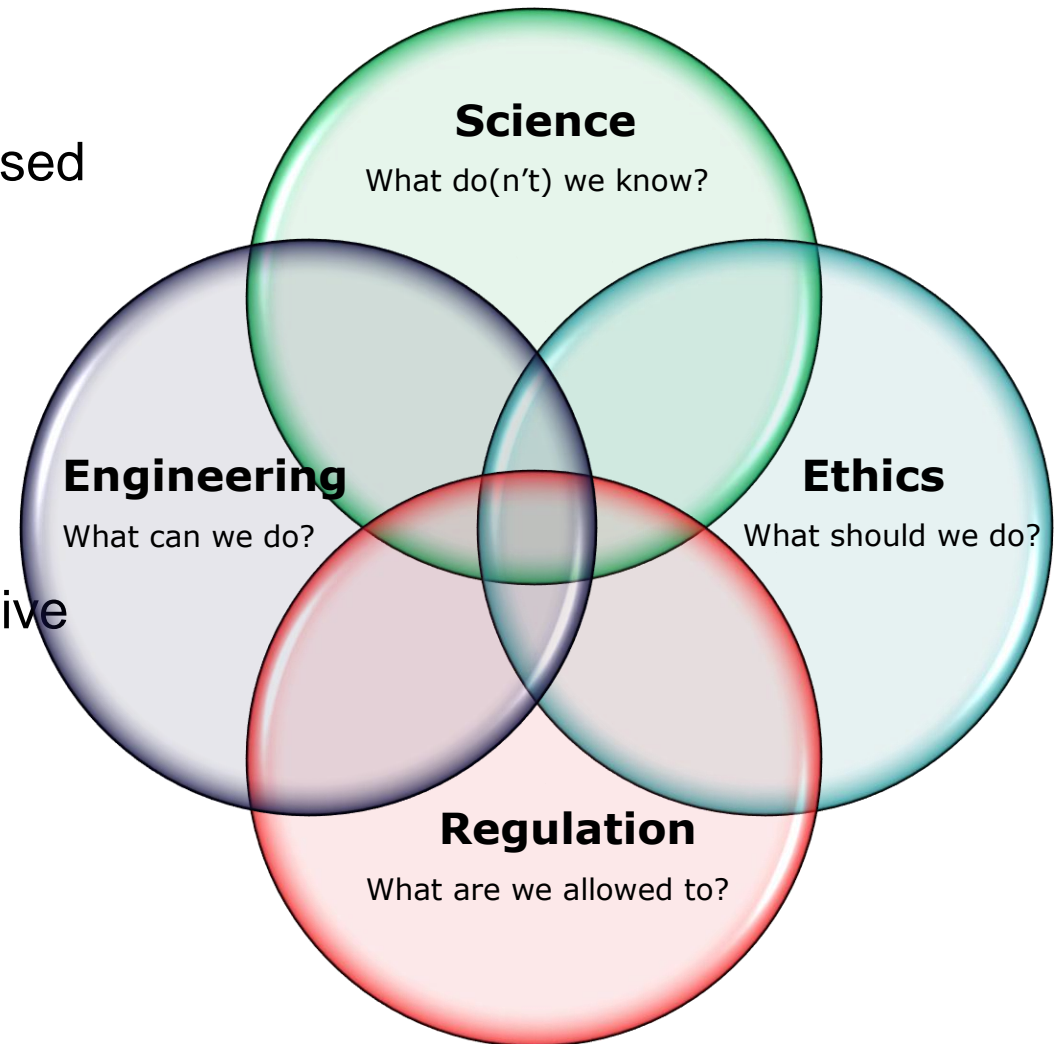


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Publishing, OA and Plan S

Background

- Focus on providing decision support based on engineering enabling regulation
- Based on an analysis of:
 - Scientific data
 - Engineering tools
 - Environmental principles and Legislative needs



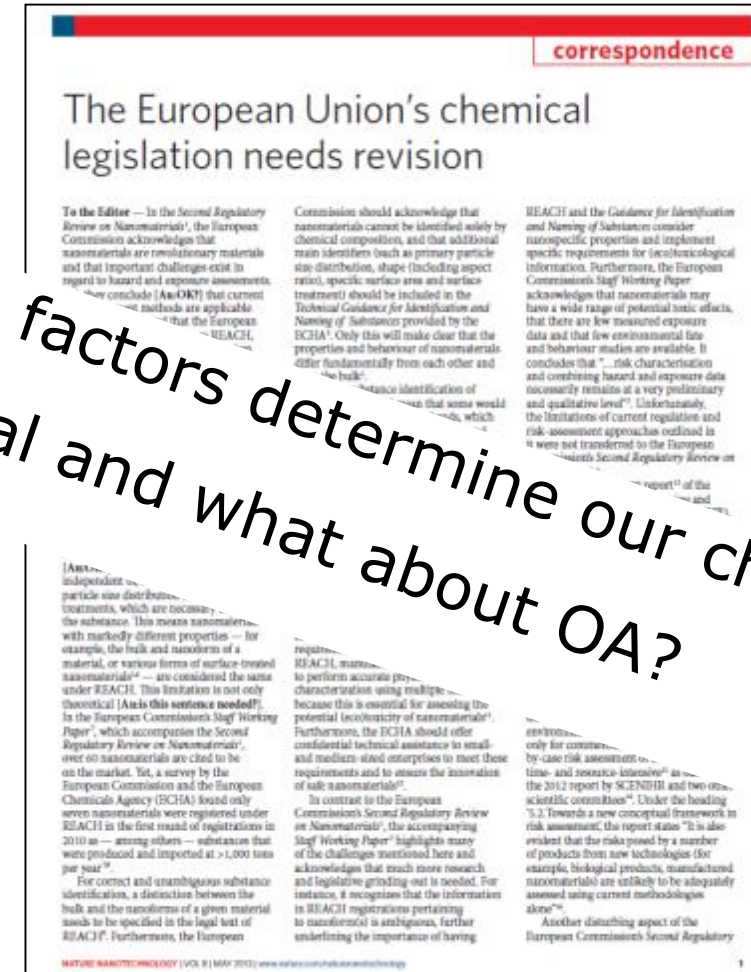
Nanomaterials, Plastics, etc.

- Applied engineering tools e.g.
 - Risk assessment
 - Life cycle assessment

- Regulation e.g.
 - EU chemical regulation (REACH)
 - EU Water Framework Directive (WFD)
 - EU Biocidal Product Regulation (BPR)

- Principles e.g.
 - The precautionary principle
 - The necessity principle

...Which factors determine our choices of journal and what about OA?



Hansen 2013. Nature Nanotechnology 8, 305–306.

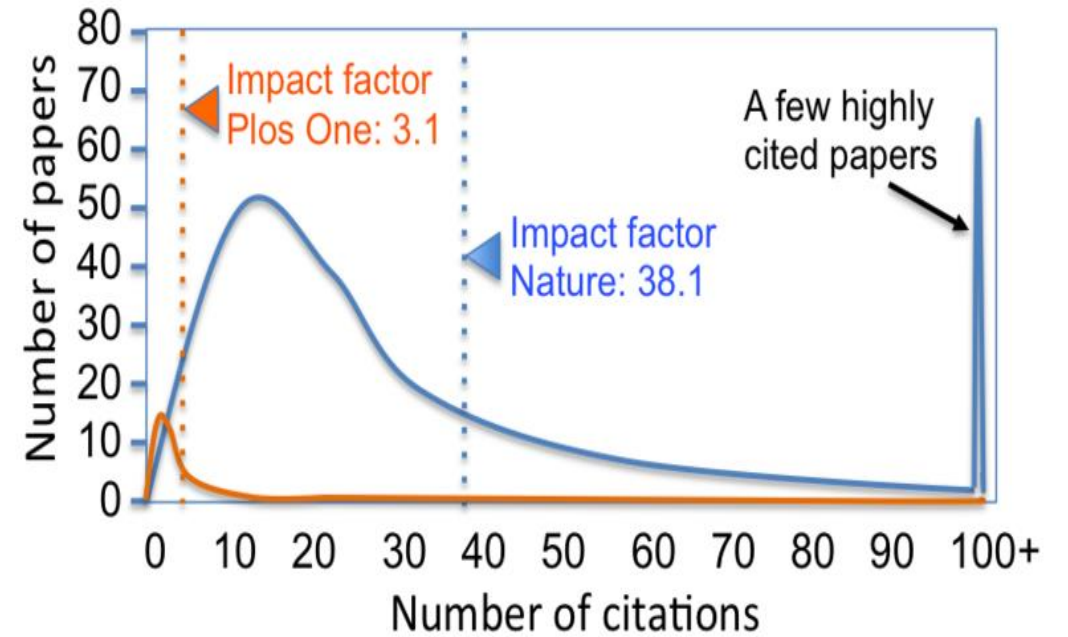
1. Scope of the journal

- Does the article fit into the journal's scope?
- Is the journal open to articles that do not follow a classic structure, e.g. IMRAD?
- Is the journal open to articles that come with political recommendations?
- Has the journal published similar articles before?
- Do we cite articles from the journal in our work?



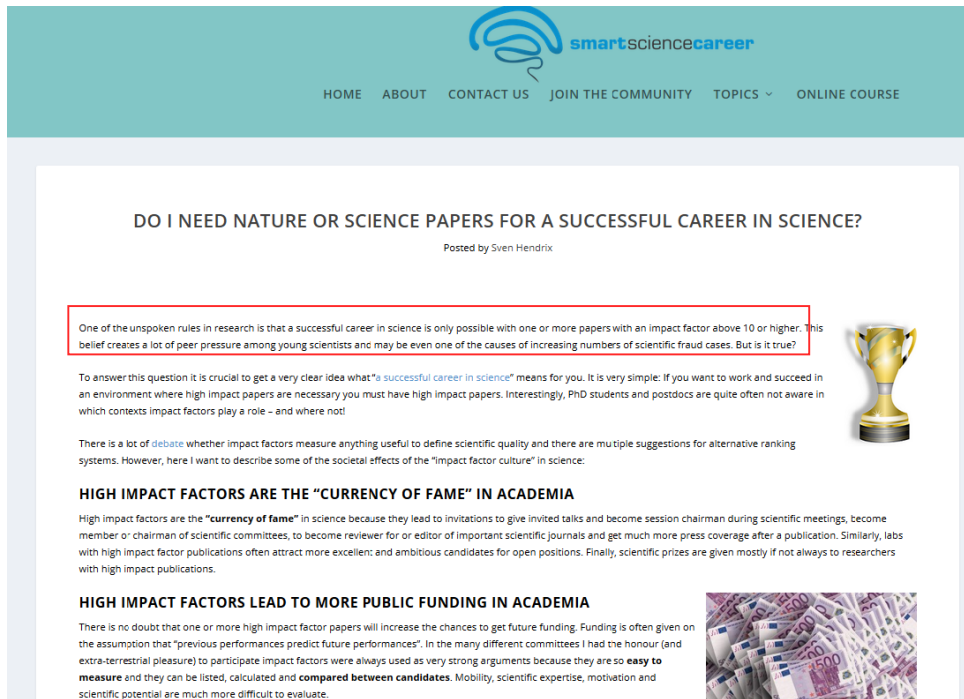
2. Impact factor of the journal

- Annual average number of citations per article
- Believed to be a good proxy for journal quality
- The higher the better
- High impact factor = “Currency of fame”



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DO I NEED NATURE OR SCIENCE PAPERS FOR A SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN SCIENCE?

Posted by Sven Hendrix

One of the unspoken rules in research is that a successful career in science is only possible with one or more papers with an impact factor above 10 or higher. This belief creates a lot of peer pressure among young scientists and may be even one of the causes of increasing numbers of scientific fraud cases. But is it true?

To answer this question it is crucial to get a very clear idea what "a successful career in science" means for you. It is very simple: If you want to work and succeed in an environment where high impact papers are necessary you must have high impact papers. Interestingly, PhD students and postdocs are quite often not aware in which contexts impact factors play a role - and where not!

There is a lot of [debate](#) whether impact factors measure anything useful to define scientific quality and there are multiple suggestions for alternative ranking systems. However, here I want to describe some of the societal effects of the "impact factor culture" in science:

HIGH IMPACT FACTORS ARE THE "CURRENCY OF FAME" IN ACADEMIA

High impact factors are the "currency of fame" in science because they lead to invitations to give invited talks and become session chairman during scientific meetings, become member or chairman of scientific committees, to become reviewer for or editor of important scientific journals and get much more press coverage after a publication. Similarly, labs with high impact factor publications often attract more excellent and ambitious candidates for open positions. Finally, scientific prizes are given mostly if not always to researchers with high impact publications.

HIGH IMPACT FACTORS LEAD TO MORE PUBLIC FUNDING IN ACADEMIA

There is no doubt that one or more high impact factor papers will increase the chances to get future funding. Funding is often given on the assumption that "previous performances predict future performances". In the many different committees I had the honour (and extra-terrestrial pleasure) to participate impact factors were always used as very strong arguments because they are so **easy to measure** and they can be listed, calculated and **compared between candidates**. Mobility, scientific expertise, motivation and scientific potential are much more difficult to evaluate.

- "One of the unspoken rules in research is that a successful career in science is only possible with **one or more papers with an impact factor above 10 or higher**"

- Sven Hendrix
 - Neuroanatomy professor
 - Founder of smartsciencecareer

So how many > 10 impact factor OA journals are there?

<https://smartsciencecareer.com/do-i-need-nature-papers/>

InCites Journal Citation Reports

- In general
 - 239 out of 12298 with IF > 10
 - 18 out of 1289 OA journals with IF > 10
- My field of research
 - 4 out of 422 with IF > 10
 - 0 out of 27 OA journals with IF > 10

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3. Journal recognized by peers?

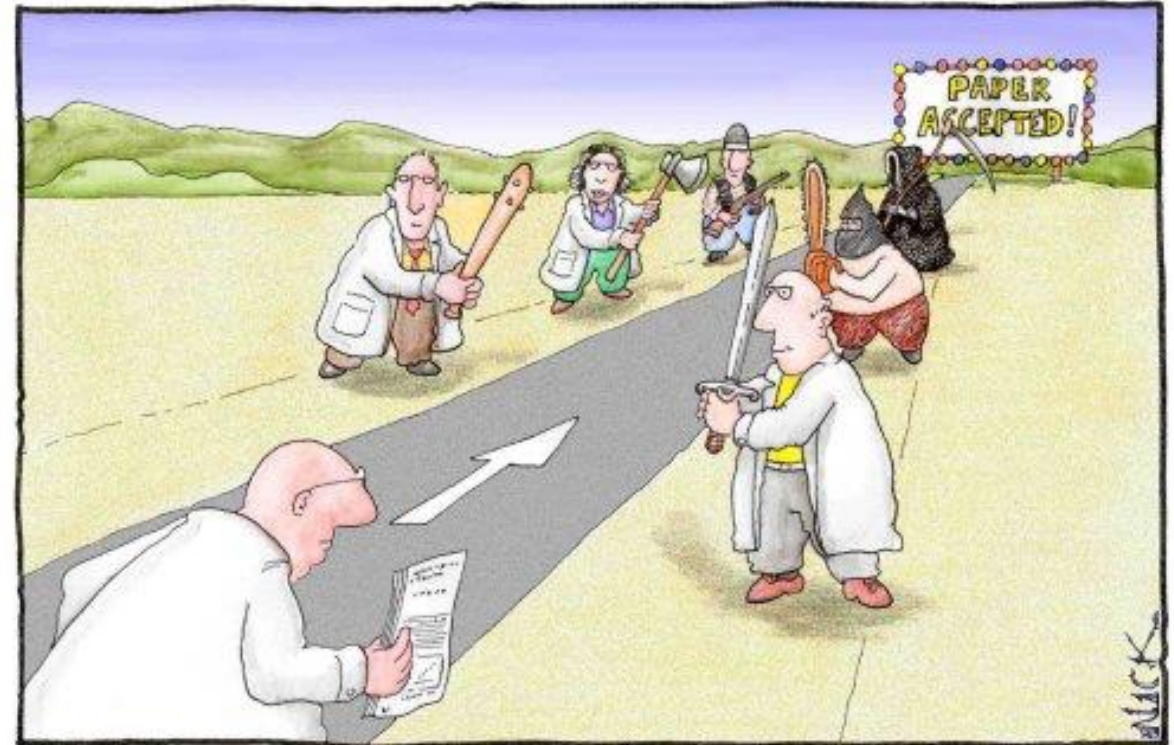


4. ...and it is read by the "right people"



5. Quality of the reviews

- Are the reviewers and their reviews of high quality?
- How long have they had and how much time have they spent on it
- Constructive criticism or just denigration of our work?
- How much, for example, 3 sentences compared to 10 pages?



Most scientists regarded the new streamlined peer-review process as 'quite an improvement.'

6. Editors og Associate Editors

- Is it someone you look up to?
- Would you like them to notice your research?
- The dialogue with the editor and associate editors Is there a reasonable approach to the reviewers' position and our subsequent revisions
- Do editors and associate editors provide constructive feedback?



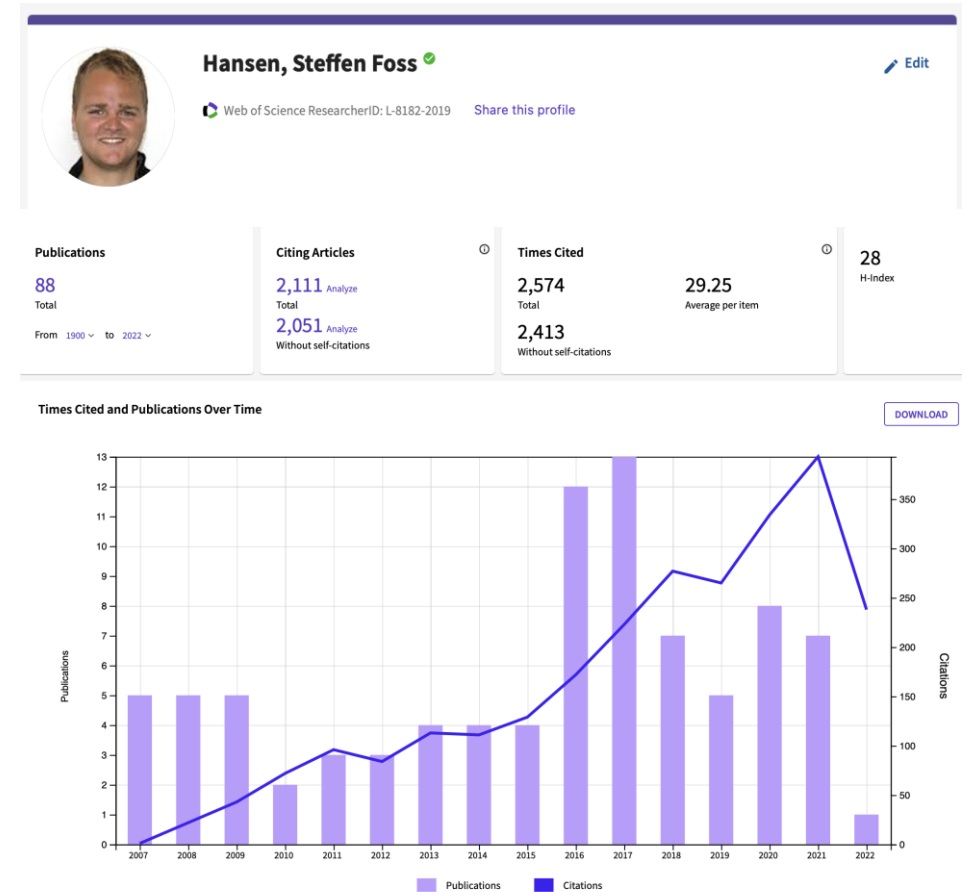
7. Journals' handling of articles

- Do "author guidelines" make sense?
- Easy to follow author guidelines?
- Easy to submit the article?
- Is the article "pre-screened" for formalities by the journal? Do you have to pay to have your article published?
- How long should you expect it to take before you get the reviews?
- How long should you expect the article to be published online?



8. What are we evaluated on?

- Number of publications
- Number of ISI publications
- Number of citations
- H index
- Number of first- (and possibly single-) authorships
- Invited presentations at international established conferences
- Patents
- Honors and awards



9. What is DTU evaluated on?

	Nordic Region**	Europe	World
Leiden Ranking Citation impact indicator (top 10% publications.) <i>All sciences</i>	1	41	110
Leiden Ranking Collaborative publications with Industry Indicator	4	7	15
Reuters Top 100 World's Most Innovative Universities	1	14	65
Academic Ranking of World Universities (ShanghaiRanking) Engineering/Technology	1	6	33
QS World University Rankings	6	43	116

* as per 19 April 2018
 ** The Nordic region consists of Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, and Iceland

9. What is DTU evaluated on?

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ShanghaiRanking Academic Excellence Survey 2018

Top Journal	Top Award	Top Conferences	Participants	Methodology
Academic Subject				
Environmental Science & Engineering				
Environmental Science & Engineering	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	0013-936X	100%	

Participants

By May 2018, we have surveyed more than 3500 professors from top 100 universities in the world. They are from different subject fields and many of them are the chairs and heads of the faculties or departments they are at.

Criteria

A journal is considered as a Top Journal if:

1. It has more than one vote in one subject. AND
2. It has 50% or more votes in one subject OR It is the top voted Journal in one subject.



Home >> Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2018 >> Environmental Science & Engineering

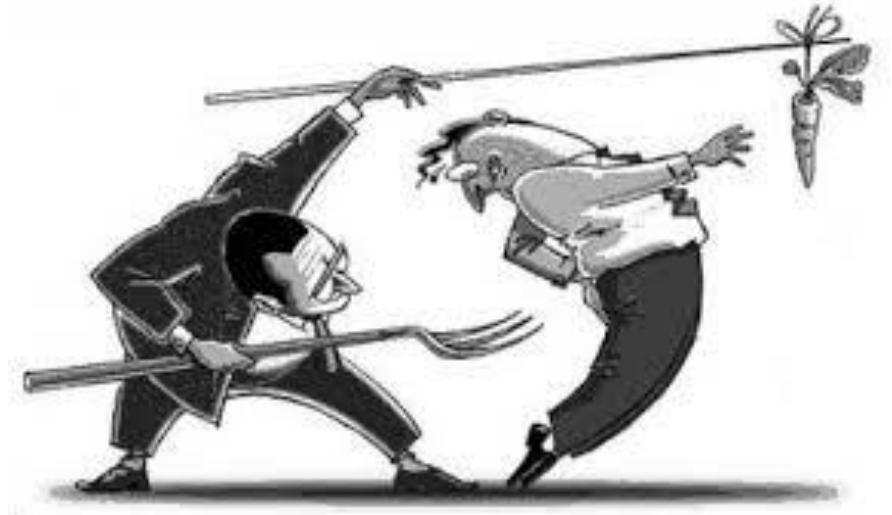
ShanghaiRanking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2018 - Environmental Science & Engineering

2018

Field:	Engineering	Subject:	Environmental Science & Engineering	Methodology
World Rank	Institution*	Country/Region	Total Score	Score on PUB
1	Stanford University		343.6	70.1
2	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich		335.1	83.9
3	Harvard University		334.8	73.1
4	University of California, Davis		309.4	77.8
5	Michigan State University		308.2	65.1
5	University of Wisconsin - Madison		308.2	66
7	University of California, Berkeley		283.0	92.5
8	Technical University of Denmark		278.9	66.5

My personal attitude toward Plan S

- OA has not been a parameter until now in the selection of a journal
- ...But can easily be
- Seems reasonable with OA requirements
- Challenges regarding established evaluation criteria
- ... and perhaps there is currently a slight lack of OA journals with a high impact factor within all disciplines



Thank you for your attention!

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