# Journal Article Review Process

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## Why Publish?

- Disseminate new knowledge
- Improve theory and practice
- Join the scholarly conversation
- Contribute to institution's reputation

# Why Refereed International Journals?

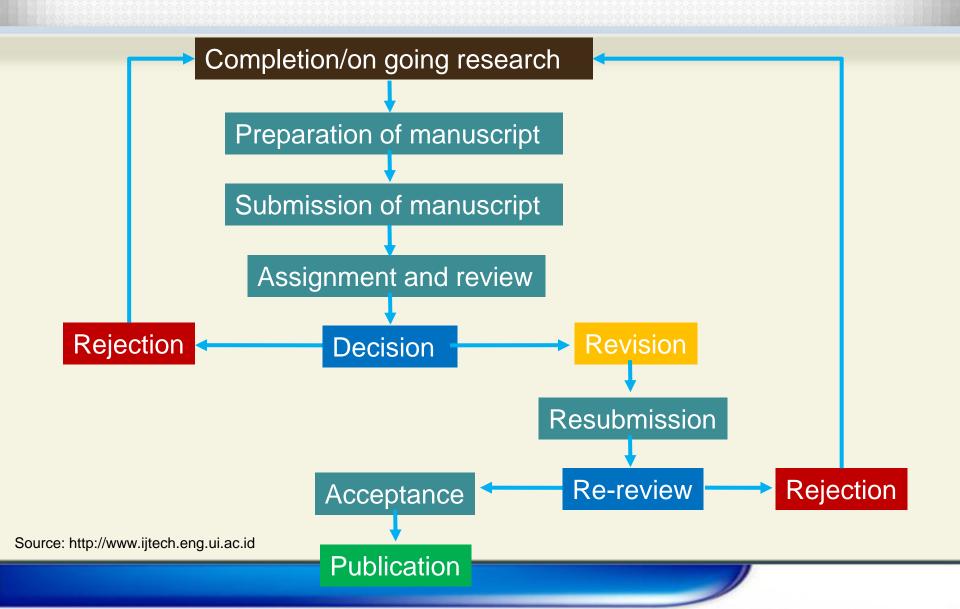
- Not commercial: no fees (most of them)
- Status
- More weight
- More rigour
- Reference Point (Researchers refer to)
- Academic Career
- Establish a name and Reputation
- Knowledge dissemination
- Lead to collaboration

## Submitting Your Paper

Follow guidelines strictly

Check the sample paper

#### **Publication Process**



### **Review Policies**

- Paper submission is assigned by an editor-in-chief/editorial board who is responsible for finding internal/external reviewers (normally 2 to 3).
- After the reviewers weigh in, the editor makes the final decision about the acceptance of the manuscript (the editor normally follows the reviewers' recommendations, but not necessary the case).
- The reviews processes will normally take 3 to 6 months. It is appropriate to contact journal secretariat and kindly ask for an update if you do not hear from them.

# Review Process (What Referees Look For)

	The main concern of referees
Significance	Are the findings original? Are they important? Is the paper suitable for this journal? Does the article justify its length?
Scholarship	Does the paper take into account relevant current and past research on the topic?
Presentation	Is the paper clear, logical, understandable and of the appropriate length?
Methods and Results	Is the methodology, and are the data and analyses appropriate? Are there sufficient data to support the conclusion? Are there long – term as well as short term measures? Are any weaknesses of the method commented on?
Reasoning	Are the logic, arguments, inferences and interpretations appropriate? Are counter – arguments or contrary evidence taken into account and discussed?
Theory	Is the theory sufficiently sound and supported by the evidence? Is it testable? Is it preferable to competing theories?
Ethics	In papers describing work on animals or humans, has the work been approved by the appropriate ethics committee?

Is it interesting?
Is it new?
Is it true?

Hartley, J. (2008). Academic writing and publishing. A practical handbook. London: Routledge.

#### **Review Results**

- Accepted: "Which almost nobody gets," ;-)
- Accepted with revision: "Just make some changes" and "They're still interested in you!" (the editor and reviewers will list specific items that need to be addressed before final acceptance)
- **Reject:** Fix the problems, revise the paper and submit it to other journal.

#### Don't put off the revisions

- If you are invited to revise, answer critiques carefully/thoughtfully and pay attention to details.
- Never give up

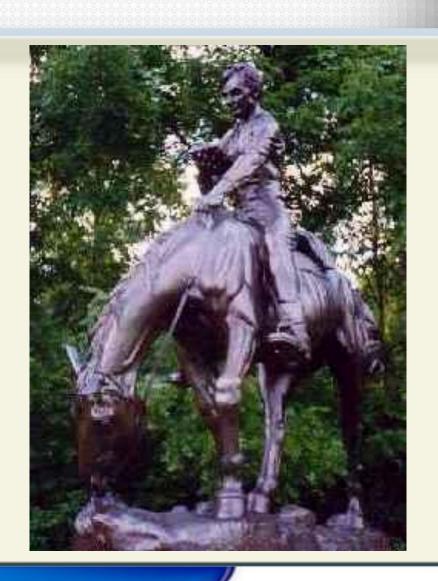
### **Review Results**

#### Major reasons for rejection:

- Confirmatory (not novel) Not sufficiently original
- Theoretically or methodologically flawed
- Poor methodology and/or experimental design that lead to unreliable discussion/results
- Poorly written (paper structure, flow, format, etc)
- Literature/References/Variables are not comprehensive and accurate
- Inappropriate for journal

### What do Editor Want

- Important work
- Original work
- Clear and engaging
- Valid/Truth



## Scientific Article Writing Hints

- Informative Abstract
- Critical literature review
- Solid research methods
- Robust Data collection and analysis
- Critical Discussion of findings
- Significant contribution
- Conclusions



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