

# Identifying a Journal to Submit Your Manuscript

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# Objectives

1. Assess and justify the suitability of academic journals for a manuscript based on factors like scope, impact factor, and audience.
2. Develop a strategic approach for journal selection, analyzing publication processes, editorial policies, and the manuscript's potential scholarly impact.

# Considerations

- Go where you know
- Journal reputation
- About the journal





# What you know

- Journals that you read
- Journals you are citing
- Journals of your societies or organizations
- Colleagues
- Mentors



# Journal reputation

- Editorial professionalism
  - Turnaround times
- Indexing
- Impact factor – use with caution

# Indexing

- MEDLINE
- CINAHL
- PsycINFO
- Scopus
- Web of Science





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**Title(s):** Current environmental health reports.

**Publication Start Year:** 2014

**Frequency:** Quarterly

**Country of Publication:** Switzerland

**Publisher:** [Switzerland] : Springer International Publishing AG, [2014]-

**Description:** 1 online resource

**Language:** English

**ISSN:** 2196-5412 (Electronic)

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**LCCN:** 2014243445

**Electronic Links:** <https://link.springer.com/journal/40572>

**In:** MEDLINE: V2n1, Mar. 2015-

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**Current Indexing Status:** [Currently indexed for MEDLINE](#)

**Current Subset:** Index Medicus

**MeSH:** Environmental Health\*

Public Health

**Broad Subject Term(s):** Environmental Health

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**Other ID:** (OCoLC)881514977

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# Journal Impact Factor

Journal level metric that “reflects the yearly mean number of citations of articles published in the last two years in a given journal.”

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<input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Lancet Public Health</a>	2468-2667	2468-2667	PUBLIC, ENVIRONMENTAL & OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH - SCIE	10,751	50.0	Q1	9.09	90.38 %
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- Aims and scope
- Article types
- Desired audience
- Policies and guidelines



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# Dealing with Rejection

- Read (and Learn from) Reviewers' Comments
- Make Appropriate Revisions to Your Article
- Rethink Your Choice of Journal
- Resubmit
  - Review journal submission guidelines and revise accordingly.

# Questions?

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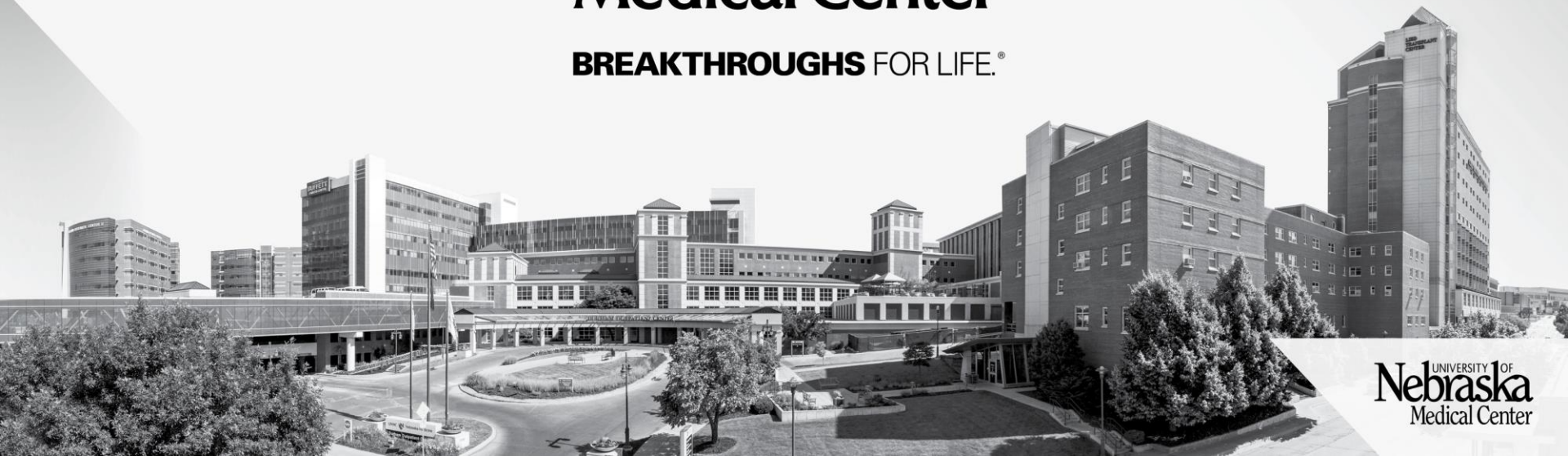
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