## Write a Paper & Choose a journal



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# Objective

- Bit of good advice when writing a paper







- Do not flirt with Impact factor! Choose your journal with respect to audience, message, and budget.
- Concentrate on scientific excellence:
   prestige ≠ quality; # citations ≠ scientific value
- write your paper (in a machine readable version Latex, pdf...) in good English. Have it read by native speaker (or ChatGPT...).
- controversial papers make science move forward, wrong papers are part of science, fraud kills science, plagiarism is not science
- avoid self-citations, give appropriate credit to competitors.









 respect ALL affiliations in the CORRECT way (often negociated by local and national authorities)

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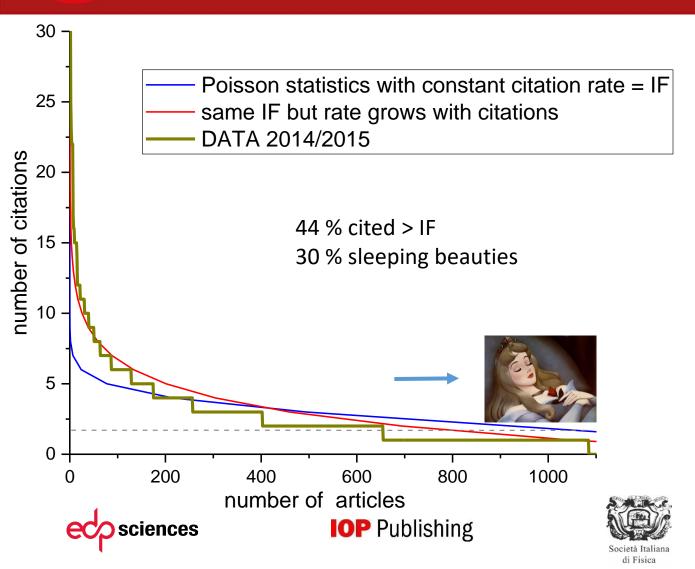
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- peer-review is part of the scientist's job!
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## A LETTERS JOURNAL EXPLORING THE FRONTIERS OF PHYSICS

#### **Full statistics of citations**





## Link with assessment

Assessment evaluates scientific activity = publications + .....

Evaluator should have **easy and unlimited access** to all publications, including reactions, comments, theses ....

Evaluation should be transparent to all citizens

#### Scientific Assessment needs Open Science

Scientific quality ≠ number of citations ≠ Impact factor of journals

« Prestigious » journals are **NOT** open, impose embargos
OR have expensive APC (and thus privilege "rich" scientists)











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There is a pressing need **to improve the ways** in which the output of **scientific research is evaluated** by funding agencies, academic institutions, and other parties. The San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA) is a worldwide initiative covering all scholarly disciplines.

A number of themes run through its recommendations:

- --- the need to eliminate the use of journal-based metrics, such as Journal Impact Factors, in funding, appointment, and promotion considerations;
- --- the need to assess research on its own merits rather than on the basis of the journal in which the research is published; and
- --- the need to capitalize on the opportunities provided by online publication (such as relaxing unnecessary limits on the number of words, figures, and references in articles, and exploring new indicators of significance and impact).

Disruptiveness index?

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