

#	Criterion name	Method of criterion verification
1	Unambiguous determination of article processing charges	Does the journal website give the exact amount of article processing charges?
2	Affiliations of editorial board members	Does the journal website include complete affiliations for all editorial board members, i.e. the name of the institution and the city/country?
3	Length of the review process	There is no article among the first five research articles or reviews from the latest issue of the journal that was received and then accepted by the editorial board after passing the review process in 14 or fewer calendar days. This is determined based on the Received and Accepted dates given in the articles as published by the journal.
4	Description of the review process	Does the journal website include a detailed description of the review process – whether it is a double-blind peer review or open peer review and how many reviewers assess the articles?
5	Free and open access to full text	Does the journal website allow users to freely download or view full-text articles from the current volume?
6	Name of the editor-in-chief is included	Does the journal website give the name of the editor-in-chief?

7	Unambiguous identification of the publisher	Does the journal website clearly identify the publisher (usually in the website footer in the copyright information), rather than just giving the title of the journal?
8	Journal states its ISSN on its website	Does the journal or publisher website include the journal's ISSN (International Standard Serial Number)?
9	Accurate information about the journal's citation metrics in Journal Citation Reports and Scopus	If the journal website gives information about any of the citation metrics in JCR or in Scopus, this information is verified in the databases to see whether the journal gives the most up-to-date information.
10	Accurate information about the journal's indexing in Web of Science and Scopus	If the journal website gives information about indexing in Web of Science or Scopus, this information is verified in the databases to see whether they include the current or previous volume of the journal.
11	Referring to a questionable citation metric or database	Does the journal website include information about any questionable citation metrics or databases?
NUMBER OF POINTS NEI		



Parameters for criterion	Scoring system	Points awarded	Verified at the website/Description of verification
The journal states that it does not collect any article processing charges.	1		
Yes, the journal gives a specific final amount of the charges.	1		
The amount of charges is unclear (for example, the journal states the price per article, adding that any additional pages will be subject to extra charge without specifying the charge).	0		
The journal does not state the amount of article processing charges.	0		
The affiliation is complete and includes the institution and the city/country.	1		
The affiliation is incomplete, with either the name of the institution or the city/country missing.	0		
No affiliation is given.	0		
The period of time between receipt and acceptance was 15 or more days for all five articles.	1		
The period of time between receipt and acceptance was 14 or fewer days for at least one article.	0		
The dates (or one of them) are missing.	0		
Yes, a description of the review process is included.	1		
The website only says "peer-reviewed" without giving further information about the process.	0		
No, a description of the review process is not included.	0		
Yes, articles can be freely downloaded or viewed.	1		
No, some or all of the articles cannot be downloaded or viewed.	0		
Yes, it does.	1		
No, it does not.	0		

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No, it does not.	0		
Yes, it does.	1		
No, it does not.	0		
The journal does not give any citation metrics.	1		
The metrics given by the journal are the most up-to-date ones in JCR/Scopus.	1		
The journal gives metrics from both databases, but some of them are not the most up-to-date ones in one of the databases.	0		
The journal gives metrics from both databases, but none of them is the most up-to-date in either of the databases.	0		
The journal only gives metrics from one database, but none of them is the most up-to-date one.	0		
The journal does not give any information about indexing.	1		
The journal gives accurate information about indexing in both databases.	1		
The journal gives information about indexing in one of the databases and the information is accurate.	1		
The journal gives information about indexing in both databases, but the information is false in the case of one of the databases.	0		
The journal gives information about indexing in one of the databases and the information is false.	0		
The journal website does not refer to any questionable metric or database.	1		
The journal website refers to a questionable metric or database.	0		
EDED TO MEET ALL EVALUATION CRITERIA		11	

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS

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