"The Mirage of Scopus Indexing: Separating Reality from Fraud in Scopus Indexed Journals"

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### Aim of the Seminar

The purpose of this seminar is to provide an overview of the issue of fraudulent Scopus indexing claims, explain how to distinguish between legitimate and fraudulent Scopus indexed journals, and provide strategies for avoiding them. By the end of this seminar, you will have a better understanding of how to identify trustworthy journals and avoid falling prey to fraudulent publishing practices.

# Background on Scopus Indexing

- Scopus indexing is the inclusion of scholarly literature in a large database used for academic research.
- Scopus indexing is significant for authors and publishers, as it increases the visibility and impact of their work.
- The Scopus indexing process involves a rigorous evaluation of journals based on various criteria.
- These criteria include peer review, citation frequency, and editorial policies.
- Journals that meet the criteria are then added to the Scopus database.

# Types of Fraudulent Scopus Indexing

Fraudulent Scopus indexing claims can take several forms:

- One type of fraudulent indexing is when journals falsely claim to be indexed in Scopus when they are not.
- Another type of fraudulent indexing is when a journal is indexed by Scopus, but the articles themselves are not actually included in the database.
- Some journals mislead authors by offering them rapid publication or guaranteeing acceptance of their article in exchange for payment of high publication fees, without actually providing legitimate peer-review or scientific editing.

# Impact of Fraudulent Scopus Indexing

- Fraudulent Scopus indexing can have negative consequences for authors, publishers, and the academic community as a whole.
- Authors may waste time and resources submitting articles to fraudulent journals, which may harm their reputation and career prospects.
- Publishers may lose revenue and credibility if their journals are falsely claiming Scopus indexing.
- The academic community may suffer from a lack of rigorous peer review and quality control, which can undermine the reliability and trustworthiness of research.



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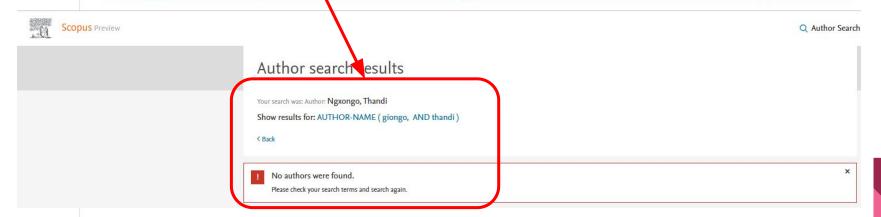
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