## PRECAUCIÓN: INFORMACIÓN ESENCIAL ACERCA DE LOS EDITORES DEPREDADORES

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## Publishing models for scholarly journals

- Traditional (subscription) model
- Hybrid open-access
- Platinum open-access = free to author, free to reader
- Delayed open access = subscription model but OA after some time
- Gold open access = free to reader, author pays a fee

### **Predatory Publishers and Journals**

- Predatory publishers (journals) are those that exploit the gold openaccess model for their own profit
- They take advantage of, exploit, and pander to scholarly authors
- They pretend to be legitimate, copying established and respected journals' websites and practices
- Many do a poor or fake peer review
- Some name themselves as "Institutes," "Associations," or "Centers"
- Some operate as single mega-journals

### **Chief Characteristics of Predatory Journals**

- 1. The use deception (they don't tell the truth)
- 2. They are not transparent
- 3. They do not follow scholarly publishing industry standards and best practices

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### History of predatory publishers

- I first started to receive spam email solicitations from publishers in 2008 and 2009
- My first publication about a predatory publisher was in 2009
- I coined the term "predatory publisher" in summer 2010
- I started my current blog in early 2012
- Not all open-access journals are predatory

#### Predatory Journals and Academic Evaluation [1]

- Universities use scholarly publications as a measure of academic achievement
- Academic managers want objective evaluation methods: lists, bibliometrics
- Scholarly publishing has changed, but evaluation systems have not changed
- It is very easy now to get an article published in an OA journal
- Evaluation systems based on counting are no longer valid
- Some researchers take advantage of easy publishing

#### Predatory Journals and Academic Evaluation [2]

- At many universities, academic evaluation is broken
- If you use a whitelist, many seek out the list's "easiest" journals
- Researchers who publish in top journals feel cheated

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### How predatory publishers damage science [1]

- They've increased published research misconduct (mala conducta en la investigación), such as plagiarism
- The pseudo-science they publish gets indexed in Google Scholar and other academic indexes
- They threaten demarcation, the division between science and pseudo-science, the cumulative nature of research (naturaleza cumulative de la investigación)
- They feed bogus research to societal institutions that depend on authentic science
- They publish activist science and conspiracy-theory science (ciencia de teoría de la conspiración)

#### How predatory publishers damage science [2]

- They are polluting taxonomy
- Many also sponsor bogus scholarly conferences
- Pharmaceutical entrepreneurs are using predatory publishers to make invented compounds appear efficacious
- Author fees (tasas de publicación) may prevent some authors from being able to publish their work, especially those in middle-income countries and unaffiliated researchers

## Indirect Victims of Predatory Publishers

- Those who are inundated with spam
- Those preparing literature reviews
- Those preparing review articles and systematic reviews, and metaanalyses
- Those who take the high road, only to see colleagues advance academically through high numbers of publications in predatory journals
- Students preparing class papers

## **Predatory Business Journals**



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## **Predatory Medical Journals**





### **Fake Impact Factor Companies**



The Universal Impact Factor is a measure of the frequency with which the "average article" in a journal has period of time. The impact factor is used as standard dimension and the relative importance of a scientific j The Universal Impact Factor is calculated by several scientific methods. **No Evaluation Processing Fees.** 









### **Questionable conferences**



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#### Novel strategy of a method to cure from the cancer

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#### Science

"Since science is our most reliable source of knowledge, in a wide variety of areas, we need to distinguish scientific knowledge from its look-alikes."

-S.O. Hansson.

## Conclusion

- The author-pays model is a major cultural change in scholarly publishing that has led to the creation of many scams
- We have given up on selectivity in scholarly publishing
- Predatory journals threaten the integrity of science
- Scholarly authors are now consumers of publishing services, but there's no organization that looks out for their interests

## Thank you

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