Suggestion to include “*Journal of Exercise Rehabilitation*” in Scopus

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Scopus is the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature, including scientific journals, books, and conference proceedings.

Journal of Exercise Rehabilitation has been suggested for inclusion in Scopus.

Currently, recent three issues—volume 11, issue 6, volume 12, issue 1, and volume 12, issue 2—of the journal are under review in Scopus.

Scopus reviews five broad categories: journal policy with eight evaluation criteria, presentation of content with nine evaluation criteria, citedness with two evaluation criteria, timeliness, distribution with four evaluation criteria, and home page with three evaluation criteria. These categories are scored based on the information provided, scoring basis, and source of score; further, during review, the scores are weighted in terms of the weight of category in percentage and weighted percentile score per category.

Each criterion is scored in Scopus' scoring system. Based on the sum of these scores, Scopus evaluates a journal as one of the following: accepted journal, case of doubt, and rejection.

The specific evaluation criteria under the category of journal policy include availability of an abstract in English language, language quality of the abstract, presence of cited references in articles, convincing editorial concept/policy, level of peer review, availability of editorial board, diversity in the provenance of editors, and diversity in the provenance of author.

Under presentation of content, the specific evaluation criteria include originality/relevance, methodology, argumentation, conformity with the journal's statement of aims, conformity with publication ethics, clarity of title, objective, abstract, mean length of ar-

ticles, quality of language/proof reading, and illustrations/tables.

For the category of citedness, both the citedness of journal and citedness of editors are evaluated.

The specific evaluation criteria under distribution include major publisher, whether the journal is published by a society and covered in major bibliographic databases, and the number of subscribing libraries (WorldCat).

For home page, the content available online, availability of the home page in English language, and quality of the home page are evaluated.

The review results will be available presently. We hope that *Journal of Exercise Rehabilitation* will become the first exercise rehabilitation journal to be indexed in Scopus.

Among the aforementioned evaluation criteria, convincing editorial concept/policy, diversity in the provenance of authors, conformity with the journal's statement of aims, timeliness of publication, and citedness of journal are important in the review of *Journal of Exercise Rehabilitation*.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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