

# Update on Scientific Journal Publication in 2023: An Editor-in-Chief's Perspective

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## Case-Based Questions (please see page 3 for answers)

1.	An Impact Factor for a given year is calculated based on the journals publication citations that include those in the previous:
a.	1 year
b.	2 years
c.	3 years
d.	4 years
e.	5 years

2.	What is the most helpful to ensure a timely and appropriate review of a submitted manuscript?
a.	Submit a cover letter to the Editor-in-Chief that explains the major findings in the paper
b.	Submit a Letter of Intent to the Editor-in-Chief before the submission of a manuscript
c.	Submit the names and email addresses of possible reviewers
d.	Submit the figures as part of the PDF of the manuscript rather than in separate files
e.	Submit the manuscript with a mixture of data in the main text and in supplemental files

3.	What is the approximate average cost for an Open Access article in 2023 (without discounts)?
a.	\$1,000
b.	\$2,000
c.	\$3,000
d.	\$4,000
e.	\$5,000

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Question 1 Correct Answer and Rationale: **B) 2 Years**

Calculated as number of citations/ number of articles published during that 2 year period.

Question 2 Correct Answer and Rationale: **C) Submit the names and email addresses of possible reviewers**

Having suggested reviewers decrease the time to first decision because greater acceptance rates from suggested reviewers from authors who know best their field of inquiry.

Question 3 Correct Answer and Rationale: **C) \$3,000**

\$3,000 with a wide range; some up to \$5,000