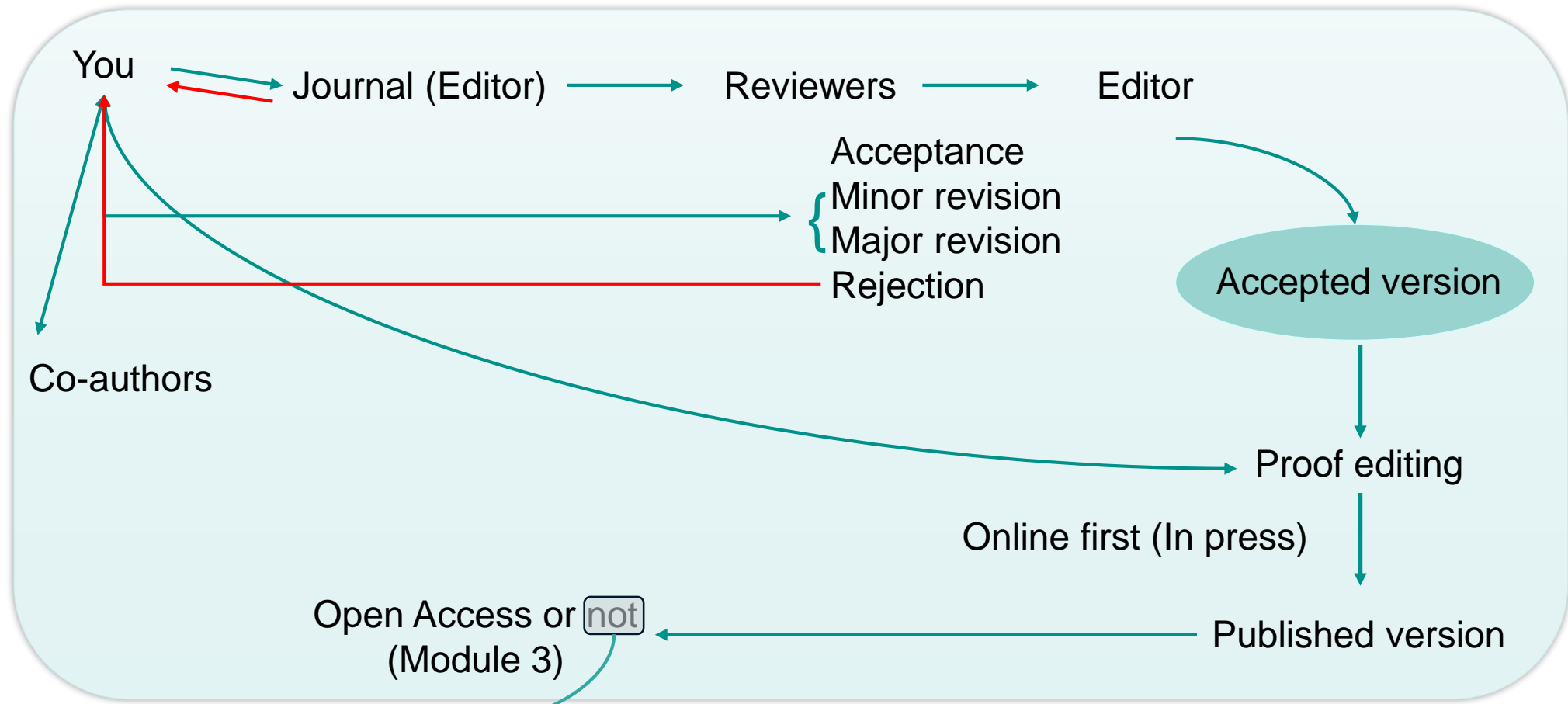


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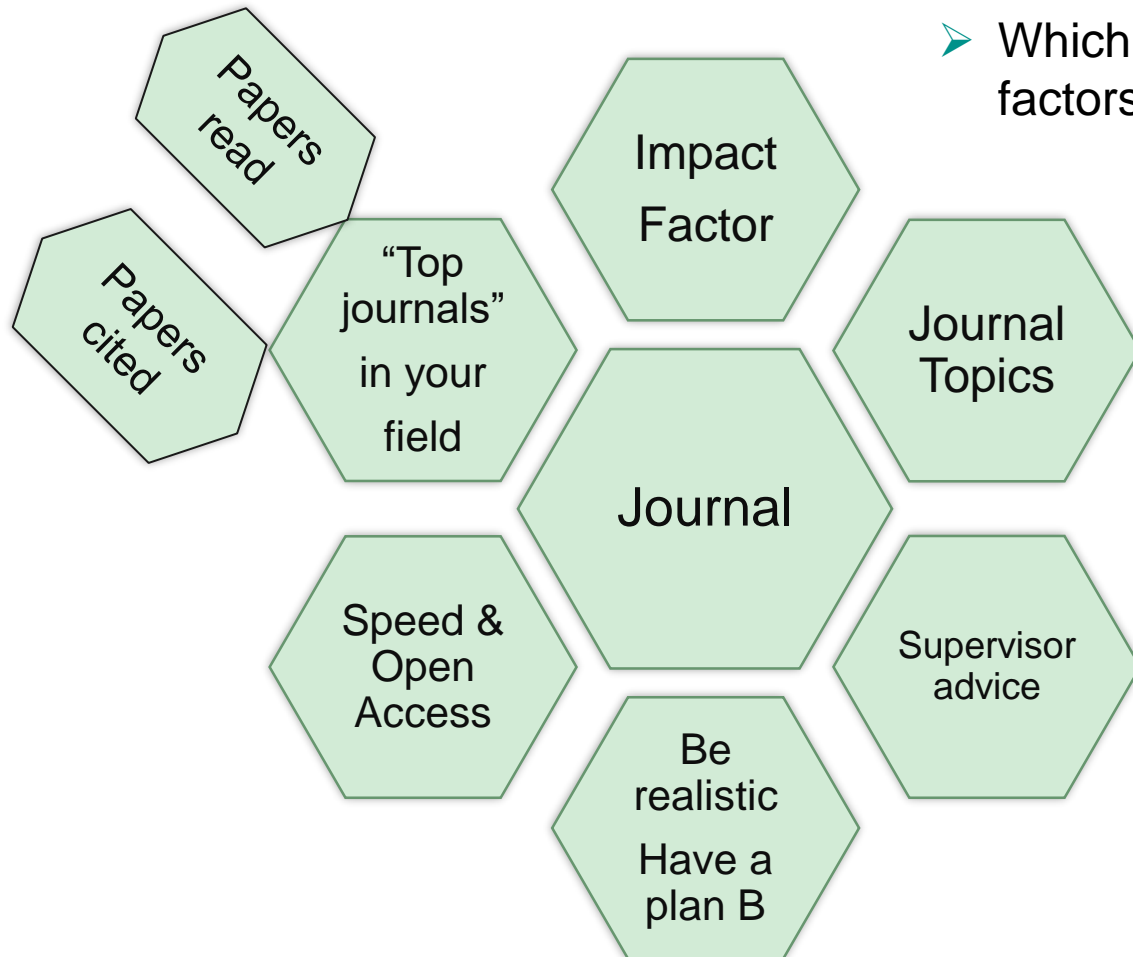
## Submission, review & publication

# The publication process in a peer-reviewed journal



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# Which journal should you submit to?



➤ Which are the main factors for your decision?

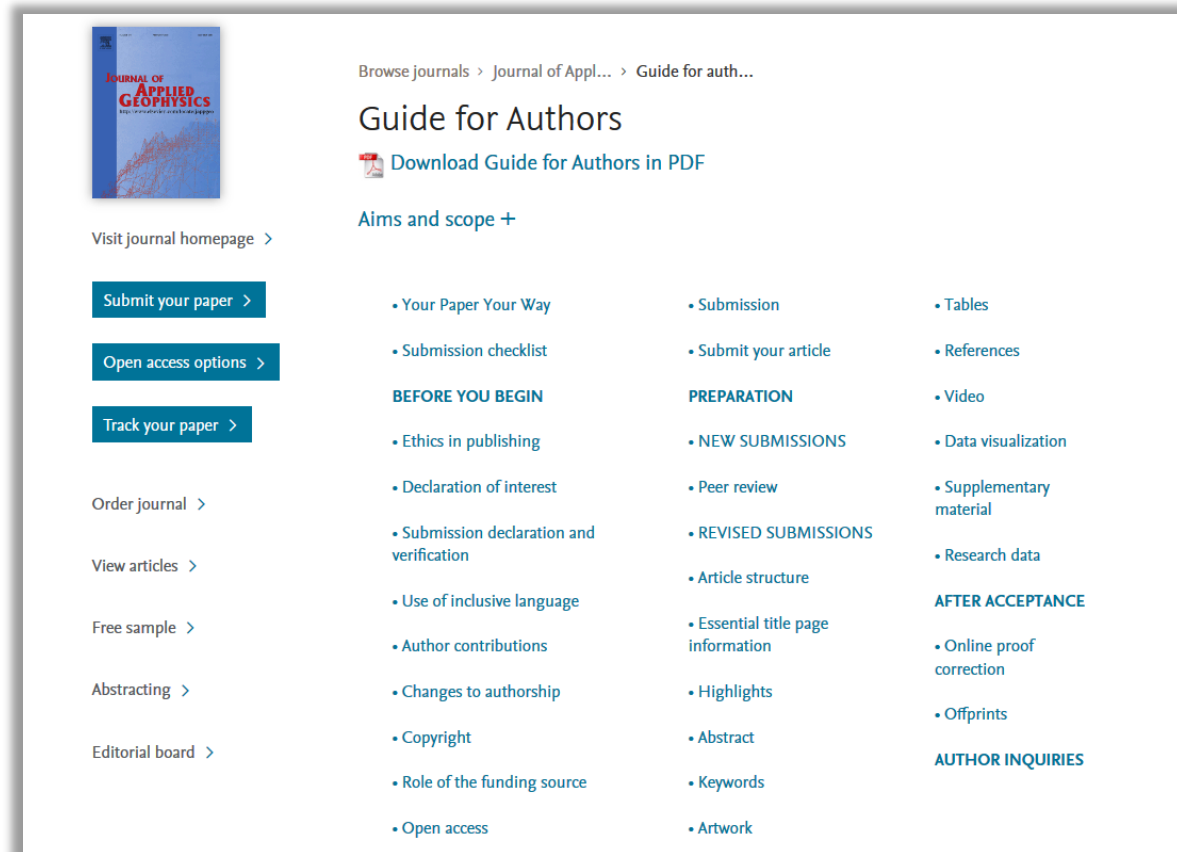
- Avoid predatory journals:
- The journal is indexed in databases (e.g. [DOAJ](#), [Web of Science](#), [Scopus](#))
  - Review the journal website:
    - Peer-review policy is clear
    - Charges & costs are defined
    - Editorial board
  - Read some of the published articles

- ➔ On deciding...:
- <http://thinkchecksubmit.org/>
  - <http://jane.biosemantics.org/index.php>

# Instructions in the authors' guide


➔ If you know to which journal you want to submit, start with reading the guidelines before even starting writing your article.

- Word & figure limits
- English style
- Article structure
- References style
- Figure preparation
- Word or LaTeX
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Thank the reviewers, do not forget they do this in their free time

Reply to every reviewer comment even if it is self-explanatory

Mention the exact pages and lines where you make your corrections

Answer clever to suggestions for further experiments/studies

Admit your own mistakes

Comments by Reviewer 1.

*We thank reviewer 1 for his/her revision. We have addressed his/her comments below.*

Page 12, line 20: remove the comma before "velocity".  
*Has been corrected.*

Page 15, line 30: The measurement has not been described thoroughly.  
*We added a sentence on page 15, line 31 to explain in detail: "The seismic shots were recorded at..."*

Page 30, line 10: The result here is wrong in my opinion, because....  
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*This is a good suggestion. Unfortunately, we do not have the means....*

Page 42, Figure 2: You mention a red line in the caption, but all lines in the figure are green.  
*We thank reviewer 1 for this observation. Indeed, it is a mistake...*

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Comments by Reviewer 2.

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Comments by Reviewer 3.

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Be prepared for criticism and accept it as a way to improve your paper

Try to agree with the reviewer, but remember it is your paper. If you do not agree state this and explain why

Remember: the reviewer can be wrong as well, so if you are not sure, don't forget to consult your coauthors

## What about reviewing the papers of others?

- or no?
  - Helps you think as a reviewer
  - You expand your knowledge
  - But make sure you do a correct review:
    - Qualification
    - Time
    - Conflicts of interest

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## Exercise

Search online for the “[Environmental Science & Technology](#)” journal and answer the following questions:

- Can you use both Word and LaTeX?
- What is the publication speed?
- Is there a limitation to the number of figures?

# Thank you!

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