

### RESEARCH BITE #18

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RE: Predatory Open Access Publishers

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The Tri-Agencies (Canadian Institutes of Health Research, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, and Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council) Open Access Policy states that within 12 months of publication, any peer-reviewed journal articles based on that Agency-supported research must be made freely available.

<http://www.science.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=F6765465-1>

This has created a lot of pressure for researchers to publish in open access journals.

There are a lot of questionable, scholarly open-access publishers. Predatory publishers can be determined by using the following criteria:

<https://scholarlyoa.files.wordpress.com/2015/01/criteria-2015.pdf>

Jeffrey Beall, an academic librarian for over 25 years from Auraria Library, University of Colorado Denver, has published a list of potential, possible, or probable predatory scholarly open-access publishers. Faculty need to decide for themselves whether they want to submit articles or serve as editors or be on the editorial boards for journals identified on this list.

You can access Beall's List by clicking on the link below:

<https://scholarlyoa.com/publishers/>



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