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"Particles"

- "Particles" (**MDPI group**) is newly established (2018).

- Initiation stage requires naturally some *support from the community and editors* to get recognition in the community, good publication and citation record.

- It follows several successful journals by the **MDPI group**, such as "Symmetry" and "Universe" which are already well-established in respective communities.

- "Particles" offers features that are absent or rare in the bulk of similar (more traditional) outlets. This could be beneficial to the particle and nuclear physics communities in the future.

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Key characteristics:

- "Open Access" principle (publication costs are paid via grants)

- Editorial staff handles papers with high speed without loss of quality

- High quality of the referees, whose number per paper is typically 3 or larger

- Speical Issues (conferences, topical collections, etc)

- No limitations on the size of articles

- Democratic base of editors from all continents, which includes young and consolidating researchers

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Near-term goals:

- Obtain the relevant indexing factors, for example, be listed in the Scopus database with resonable time comparable to "Universe" and "Symmerty"

- Maintain and increase the flow of good quality papers, reviews, etc.

- Become known as a useful tool for the community

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(Minimal) action plan for editors:

- Publish a single paper per year in "Particles". Editors could significantly increase the number of high quality papers

- Consider initiating one special issue per year - invite colleagues to contribute to your favorite topic.

- In case you organize a conference, symposium, school - consider publishing the materials in "Particles"

- Encourage young (and not only) colleagues to write review articles on their work

- Participate at the board meetings and input your ideas for further development

Thank you for your attention