

Main Points of *Particles* EB Online Meetings

Time: 17th January 2022

Length: 60 mins

Meeting place: Zoom

Prof. Dr. Armen Sedrakian (*Editor-in-Chief*) initiated the conversation by introducing himself. Then, **Marta Pasquini** (*Publishing Manager*) briefly shared the Journal Statistics of *Particles*.

Part 1. Introduction

Part 2. Journal Statistics

(Please check *Particles EB meeting.pdf*)

Part 3. Key Features and an Action Plan for the Editorial Board

(Please check *Particles_EB_EiC.pdf*)

Part 4. Discussion

Q1: Reprint book of the SI on "Theory of Hadronic Matter under Extreme Conditions".(By David)

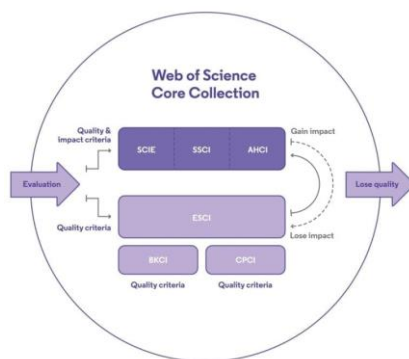
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Q2: The number of papers published in *Universe* and *Symmetry*, and the difference between *Particles*? (By Qun)

A: *Universe* published almost 500 papers, *Symmetry* published more than 2000 papers in 2021, while *Particles* only published 37 papers in 2021. Both journals have a longer history and developed very fast and smoothly. For example, *Universe* was indexed in Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE) within 5 years after journal released and had a significant increase in the number of publications (only 19 publications 2017). These journals are references for *Particles*.

Q3: We should aim to be indexed in SCI (By Qun)

A: *Particles* was indexed in ESCI in May 2021 and it will be re-evaluated for possible inclusion in SCIE when the citation activity meets the Web of Science criteria. Generally, it will take about 2 years after coverage by ESCI. The Editorial Office will try to attract more high quality publications and promote the journals with experts in this field with the support of all the editors.

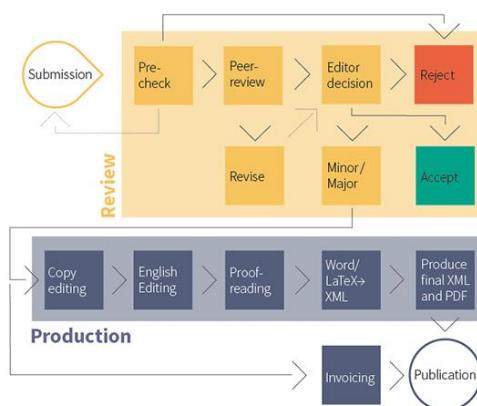


Q4: PhD or young scholars need to publish coauthor with their supervisors (By Maxim)

A: Evaluating the background of the authors is a general criterion the Editorial Office might use to assess the quality of the papers in advance. We encourage PhD students to publish with at least one senior author. However, if the Academic Editor considers the paper of good quality and suggests to process it further, the manuscript will be of course sent to peer review and, possibly, published.

Q5: For the invited papers by the Guest Editor, should we check the quality of Paper Vs quality of Authors' (By Maxim)

A: Every Paper goes to Peer-Review Procedure will be pre-checked by our Academic Editor (Guest Editors or Editorial Board members). The Academic Editor will be responsible for the paper quality. From the Editorial Office, we have strict criteria for the reviewers to ensure the quality of the peer review process.



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Thank you for participating to the meeting, for your questions and the fruitful discussion.