

Accountability of Reviewers and Academic Credit Points

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The 21st century marks the growth of scientific communication, literature, and transparency through advanced technology. With every passing year, the number of scientific journals in biomedical science are on the rise. The quality assurance of the scientific literature is significant when putting in public domain. Most of the journals are peer reviewed for the same reason and also follow a strict code of blinding in the review process.

The role of reviewers is immense to the editorial team. The big question though is the accountability as a reviewer and academic credit to the reviewers. The reviewer's training is necessary to do the required job and focus on their area of expertise. The reviewer accountability should be considered, or academic credit points should be allocated by the respective journals and publishers. Cantor *et al.* have developed a global credit system for reviewers by name R-Index.

There is an urgent need for all editors and publishers to take note of the situation and devise a standardized global credit system, under which all the work done by the reviewers is credited, and the quality of the reviewers can be enhanced by training and bringing them on a common digital platform.