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A. INTRODUCTION

GUIDE TO CHECK IMPACT FACTOR AND JOURNAL RANKING USING JOURNAL CITATION REPORTS (JCR)

There are 3 Citation Databases in Web of Science that index journal publications:

- ✚ Science Citation Index Expanded (SCI-EXPANDED)
- ✚ Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI)
- ✚ Arts & Humanities Citation Index (A&HCI)

For journals indexed in SCI-EXPANDED and SSCI, please check Impact Factor and Journal Ranking using **Journal Citation Reports (JCR)**, a database subscribed by UM

NOTE: Journals indexed in **A&HCI ONLY** are **WITHOUT** Impact Factor

1. Access Library Website : <http://www.umlib.um.edu.my>
2. Login interaktif Library Portal: with your member/staff card number, start with X
3. Click Databases
4. Scroll down the list and choose Incites Journal Citation Reports (JCR)
5. Click Journal Citation Reports (JCR)

1. <http://www.umlib.um.edu.my>

2. Input X..... number in your member/staff card here

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3. Click on Databases

Search title, keyword(s), ISSN Browse » **DATABASES** eJOURNALS eBOOKS NEW BOOKS WEB RES

8 Latest Databases	108 Subscribed Databases
1. Wiley e-Books CampusNet and Remote Full-text: Subscribed Journals Active Details Add to myLibrary	1. ABI/INFORM Complete @ProQuest® CampusNet and Remote Full-text Active Details Add to myLibrary eJournals on ABI/INFORM Complete @ProQuest®

49. [Incites Journal Citation Reports](#)
CampusNet | Bibliographic | Active | [Details](#)
[Add to myLibrary](#)

50. [IngentaConnect](#)
CampusNet and Remote | Full-text: Subscribed Titles Only
[Add to myLibrary](#) eJournals on IngentaConnect

4 & 5. Scroll down the list to Incites Journal Citation Reports (Incites JCR) (arranged in alphabetical order)
[You may access via Web of Science database too]



B. SEARCHING JCR BY SPECIFIC JOURNAL TITLE

JCR Database: (Journals with Impact Factor are listed)

Start searching

OPTION A. SEARCH FOR A SPECIFIC JOURNAL

1. Select the correct JCR edition and year

2. Select an option:

If you know the exact name of the journal, choose "Go to Journal Profile" OR "Select Journals"

The screenshot shows a search interface with the following elements:

- Go to Journal Profile**: A button at the top left.
- Master Search**: A text input field containing the placeholder text "Master Search".
- Search Button**: A blue button with a magnifying glass icon to the right of the input field.
- Select Journals**: A button below the search field.
- Select Categories**: A button below "Select Journals".
- Select JCR Year**: A dropdown menu currently showing "2013".
- Select Edition**: A section with two checked checkboxes: "SCIE" and "SSCI".
- Clear** and **Submit**: Two buttons at the bottom of the form.

Blue arrows point from the text boxes to the "Go to Journal Profile" button, the "Search" button, and the "Select JCR Year" dropdown menu.

Example : Choose 2013 JCR Science Edition
(Pls select the latest year in your own search)

1) Search by Full Journal Title / Abbr.
Journal Title / ISSN

2) Type search term: BRAIN AND LANGUAGE



The screenshot shows a search interface with the following elements:

- Go to Journal Profile**: A search bar containing the text "brain and language" and a magnifying glass icon (the search button) which is circled in red.
- Compare Journals**: A button.
- View Title Changes**: A button with a red exclamation mark icon.
- Select Journals**: A button.
- Select Categories**: A button.
- Select JCR Year**: A dropdown menu with "2013" selected.
- Select Edition**: Two checkboxes, "SCIE" and "SSCI", both of which are checked.

Blue arrows point from the text boxes to the search bar and the search button.

3) Click "Enter" or Click on the
"Search" button. The searching
process begins

Note: Inconsistency in indexing "and" in title of the journal

4) Search Result Displayed. Click "Full Journal Title" – linked to journal information

2 results displayed. The journal fall under both editions

Master Search

Search Journals 🔍

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Full Journal Title	JCR Abbreviated Title	ISSN	eISSN	Edition	JCR Coverage Years
BRAIN AND LANGUAGE	BRAIN LANG	0093-934X	1090-2155	SCIE	1997, 1997, 1998, 1998, 1999, 1999, 2000, 2000, 2001, 2001, 2002, 2002, 2003, 2003, 2004, 2004, 2005, 2005, 2006, 2006, 2007, 2007, 2008, 2008, 2009, 2009, 2010, 2010, 2011, 2011, 2012, 2012, 2013, 2013
BRAIN AND LANGUAGE	BRAIN LANG	0093-934X	1090-2155	SSCI	1997, 1997, 1998, 1998, 1999, 1999, 2000, 2000, 2001, 2001, 2002, 2002, 2003, 2003, 2004, 2004, 2005, 2005, 2006, 2006, 2007, 2007, 2008, 2008, 2009, 2009, 2010, 2010, 2011, 2011, 2012, 2012, 2013, 2013

BRAIN AND LANGUAGE

ISSN: 0093-934X

ACADEMIC PRESS INC ELSEVIER SCIENCE
525 B ST, STE 1900, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101-4495
USA

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Titles

ISO: Brain Lang.
JCR Abbrev: BRAIN LANG

Categories

AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-
LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY - SCIE;
NEUROSCIENCES - SCIE;

Languages

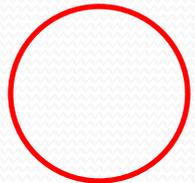
ENGLISH

14 Issues/Year;

Impact factor of this journal (2013): 3.309. Click on the respective number for details of calculation.

Key Indicators

Year	Total Cites Graph	Journal Impact Factor Graph	Impact Factor Without Journal Self Cites Graph	5 Year Impact Factor Graph	Immediacy Index Graph	Citable Items Graph	Cited Half-Life Graph	Citing Half-Life Graph	Eigenfactor Score Graph	Article Influence Score Graph
2013	5,920	3.309	2.904	3.725	0.803	147	>10.0	9.2	0.00855	1.249
2012	5,351	3.358	3.131	3.841	0.619	118	9.8	9.4	0.00899	1.434
2011	4,852	3.115	2.812	3.342	0.357	70	9.4	8.7	0.00839	1.212



Click on 2.904 in Key Indicators table, details of Impact Factor without Journal Self-cites displayed:

Journal Self Cites i

The tables show the contribution of the journal's self cites to its impact factor. This information is also represented in the [cited journal graph](#).

Total Cites	5920
Cites to Years Used in Impact Factor Calculation	622
Impact Factor	3.309

Self Cites	431 (7% of 5920)
Self Cites to Years Used in Impact Factor Calculation	76 (12% of 622)
Impact Factor without Self Cites	2.904

Source Data

Rank

Cited Journal Data

Citing Journal Data

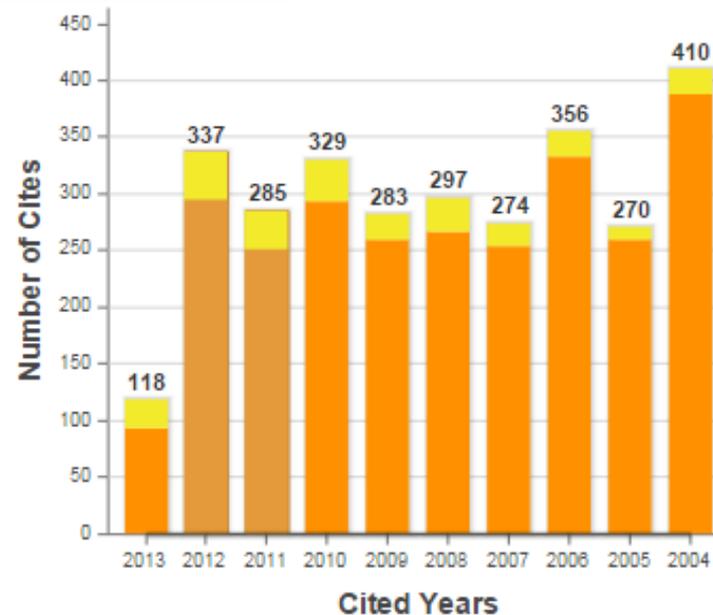
Box Plot

Journal Relationships

Cited Half-Life Data i

Cited Year	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
#Cites from 2013	118	337	285	329	283	297	274	35
Cumulative %	1.99	7.89	12.50	18.08	22.84	27.85	32.48	38.5

Cited Journal Graph i



CITED JOURNAL GRAPH

The Cited Journal Graph shows the distribution by cited year of citations to articles published in journals in the Journal in the JCR year.

The white/grey division indicates the cited half-life (if < 10.0). Half of the cited articles were published more recently than the cited half-life.

The two light-orange columns indicate citations used to calculate the Impact Factor (always the 2nd and 3rd columns).

5) Scroll down the screen, click 'Rank' for journal rank in category

Source Data

Rank

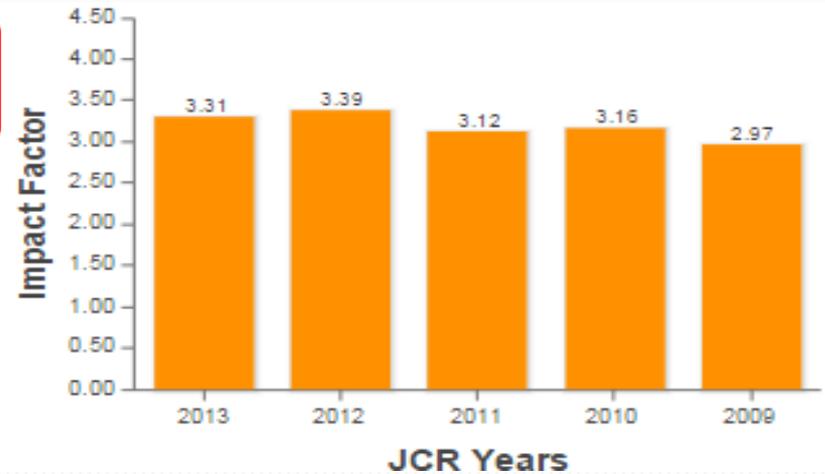
Cited Journal Data

Citing Journal Data

Box Plot

Journal Relationships

JCR Year	NEUROSCIEN	AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
2013	107/252-Q2	1/22-Q1
2012	95/252-Q2	1/22-Q1
2011	104/243-Q2	2/21-Q1
2010	98/239-Q2	NA
2009	108/231-Q2	NA



The journal "Brain and Language" ranked:

- i. Quartile 1 (Q1) in AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY category
- ii. Quartile 2 (Q2) in NEUROSCIENCES category



C. SEARCHING JCR BY SUBJECT CATEGORY

OPTION B. SEARCH ACCORDING TO SUBJECT CATEGORY

1. Select JCR Year (by default is the most current year)

Go to Journal Profile

Master Search 

Select Journals

Select Categories

Select JCR Year

2013

Journals By Rank | **Categories By Rank**

All Journal Categories ranked by Number of Journals Show Visualization +

1 - 25 of 232 Customize Indicators

	Category	Edition	#Journals	Total Cites	Median Impact Factor	Aggregate Impact Factor
1	ECONOMICS	SSCI	333	502,968	0.787	1.244
2	MATHEMATICS	SCIE	302	352,871	0.582	0.729
3	BIOCHEMISTRY & MOLECULAR BIOLOGY	SCIE	291	3,184,943	2.881	4.311
4	PHARMACOLOGY & PHARMACY	SCIE	258	1,228,157	2.205	2.971

2. Click on "Category", list will be sorted accordingly

	Category	Edition	#Journals	Total Cites	Impact Factor	Aggregate Impact Factor
1	ACOUSTICS	SCIE	30	117,073	1.107	1.840
2	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY	SCIE	17	12,898	0.707	0.992
3	AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING	SCIE	12	94,309	1.159	3.391
4	AGRICULTURE, DAIRY & ANIMAL SCIENCE	SCIE	52	137,560	0.800	1.303
5	AGRICULTURE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY	SCIE	58	148,844	0.649	1.564
6	AGRONOMY	SCIE	79	195,498	0.920	1.615
7	ALLERGY	SCIE	21	91,958	2.642	4.259
8	ANATOMY & MORPHOLOGY	SCIE	20	52,088	1.431	1.591
9	ANDROLOGY	SCIE	7	10,958	1.664	1.998
10	ANESTHESIOLOGY	SCIE	29	140,665	2.120	2.766
11	ANTHROPOLOGY	SSCI	82	78,880	0.663	1.334
12	AREA STUDIES	SSCI	64	17,334	0.341	0.430
13	ASTRONOMY & ASTROPHYSICS	SCIE	59	781,885	1.676	4.482

Example : Choose Subject Category “AREA STUDIES”

3. Scroll down the subject category list to locate the field

	Category	Edition	#Journals	Total Cites	Impact Factor	Eigenfactor Impact Factor
1	ACOUSTICS	SCIE	30	117,073	1.107	1.840
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4. Click on “#Journals” of the respective subject (number 64) to retrieve all journals

Journals in AREA STUDIES

Go to Journal Profile

Compare Journals

View Title Changes

Select Journals

Select Categories

Select JCR Year

Select Edition SCIE SSCI

Category Schema

JIF Quartile Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4

Journals By Rank | Categories By Rank

Journal Titles Ranked by Impact Factor

	Full Journal Title	Total Cites	Journal Impact Factor	Eigenfactor Score
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 AFRICAN AFFAIRS	779	1.554	0.00226
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 JOURNAL OF MODERN AFRICAN STUDIES	619	1.038	0.00169
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 Journal of Contemporary China	545	0.953	0.00240
<input type="checkbox"/>	4 CHINA JOURNAL	292	0.941	0.00129
<input type="checkbox"/>	5 Review of African Political Economy	450	0.918	0.00180
<input type="checkbox"/>	6 CHINA QUARTERLY	1,312	0.872	0.00413
<input type="checkbox"/>	7 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURAL CHANGE	1,353	0.868	0.00239

JOURNAL SUMMARY LIST DISPLAYED. The top 25% of the subject category (sort according to impact factor) is in Tier 1 or Q1 of this subject. For example, AREA STUDIES has 64 titles and the top 25% is around 16th title (divide 64/4). And this is followed by Q2 which is the next 25% & etc.

Journals in AREA STUDIES

A list of 32 journals displayed

Go to Journal Profile
Master Search

Compare Journals

View Title Changes

Select Journals

Select Categories

Select JCR Year
2013

Select Edition
 SCIE SSCI

Category Schema
Web of Science

JIF Quartile

Q1 Q3
 Q2 Q4

Select Publisher

Select Country/Territory

Impact Factor Range
to

Clear Submit

Journals By Rank Categories By Rank

Journal Titles Ranked by Impact Factor Show Visualization +

Compare Selected Journals Add Journals to New or Existing List Customize Indicators

	Full Journal Title	Total Citations	Journal Impact Factor	Eigenfactor Score
<input type="checkbox"/>	29 JOURNAL OF LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES	335	0.410	0.00124
<input type="checkbox"/>	30 LATIN AMERICAN RESEARCH REVIEW	452	0.398	0.00141
<input type="checkbox"/>	31 IDS BULLETIN-INSTITUTE OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES	425	0.350	0.00142
<input type="checkbox"/>	32 JOURNAL OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES	187	0.341	0.00027

6. Example 1: Locate journals in Quartile (Tier) 1 & 2 in Area Studies. Under "JIF Quartile", check the box next to Q1 & Q2. Click "Submit".

6. Example 2: To find out which tier a journal belongs to : Select any title such as “JOURNAL OF CONTEMPARY CHINA”

Go to Journal Profile

Master Search

Compare Journals

View Title Changes

Select Journals

Select Categories

Select JCR Year

Select Edition

Journals By Rank Categories By Rank

Journal Titles Ranked by Impact Factor

Show Visualization +

Compare Selected Journals Add Journals to New or Existing List Customize Indicators

		Full Journal Title	Total Cites	Journal Impact Factor	Eigenfactor Score
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<input type="checkbox"/>	4	CHINA JOURNAL	292	0.941	0.00129
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Review of African Political Economy	450	0.918	0.00180

7. Click on the journal. Result displayed. Then, select “Rank”

Journal of Contemporary China
 ISSN: 1087-0684
 ROUTLEDGE JOURNALS, TAYLOR & FRANCIS LTD
 4 PARK SQUARE, MILTON PARK, ABINGDON OX14 4RN, OXFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND
 ENGLAND

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Titles
 ISO: J. Contemp. China
 JCH Abbrev: J CONTEMP CHINA

Categories
 AREA STUDIES - SSCI

Languages
 ENGLISH

5 Issues/Year

Key Indicators

Year	Total Cites	Journal Impact Factor	Impact Factor Without Self Cites	5 Year Impact Factor	Immediacy Index	Citable Items	Cited Half-Life	Citing Half-Life	Eigenfactor Score	Article Influence Score
2013	545	0.953	0.476	1.224	0.957	80	4.2	7.9	0.00240	0.987
2012	376	0.702	0.693	Not Avail...	1.496	57	3.6	6.5	0.00159	Not Avail...
2011	257	0.677	0.515	Not Avail...	0.100	50	5.8	6.5	0.00119	Not Avail...
2010	218	0.437	0.344	Not Avail...	0.431	51	5.8	6.5	0.00102	Not Avail...

Source Data

Rank

Cited Journal Data

Citing Journal Data

Box Plot

Journal Relationships

JCR Impact Factor

JCR Year	AREA STUDIES
2013	3/64-Q1
2012	13/65-Q1
2011	10/65-Q1
2010	2/160-Q2

Impact Factor

0.95 0.69 0.44

“Journal of Contemporary China” ranked: 3/64 - Quartile 1 (Q1) in AREA STUDIES category



D. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

POINTS TO PONDER PRIOR SUBMISSION OF MANUSCRIPT

- 1) Please verify the status of the journal whether it is indexed in Web of Science

MASTER JOURNAL LIST:

<http://ip-science.thomsonreuters.com/mjl/>

- 2) Please check 'BEALL'S LIST'

To avoid submission of manuscripts to “potential, possible, or probable predatory scholarly open-access publishers”

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



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THANK YOU !