

ICSR Newsletter – Analyze large structured datasets at no cost in ICSR Lab

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Introducing ICSR Lab

On March 16th, the [International Center for the Study of Research](#) announced the launch of ICSR Lab, an exciting new resource for the informetrics research community. ICSR Lab is designed to support scholarly research in fields aligned with the [ICSR Research Themes](#) by giving access, at no cost, to powerful research metadata and metrics, including those that power Scopus and PlumX Metrics, as well as the computational resources required to analyze these.

A promotional graphic for ICSR Lab. On the right, there is a silhouette of a human head facing left, filled with various colorful icons representing data, technology, and research. To the left of the head, the text reads: "Introducing: ICSR Lab" in a large, bold font. Below this, in a smaller font, it says "A no cost, cloud-based computational platform for analyzing large structured datasets". At the bottom left of the graphic, the text "ICSR Lab" is displayed in a large, bold font. At the bottom right, there is a dark teal rectangular button with the white text "Apply for access now".

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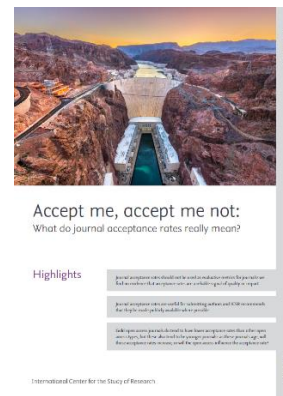
<https://www.elsevier.com/icsr/icsrlab>

Accept me, accept me not: What do journal acceptance rates really mean?

The latest ICSR Perspective considered what journal acceptance rates can tell a submitting author about a journal and whether the acceptance rate is a signal of other journal attributes.

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<https://www.elsevier.com/icsr/perspectives/accept-me-accept-me-not>

A preview of an ICSR Perspective article. At the top, there is a photograph of a large concrete dam with water flowing through its spillways, set against a backdrop of rugged, rocky mountains under a clear sky. Below the image, the title "Accept me, accept me not: What do journal acceptance rates really mean?" is displayed. Underneath the title, there is a "Highlights" section with three bullet points. At the bottom of the preview, the text "International Center for the Study of Research" is visible.

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Highlights

- Journal acceptance rates should not be used as a sole indicator of journal quality or as a signal of other journal attributes.
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