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I was invited to become a member of the editorial board of *Clinical Microbiology: Open Access* (CMO) some months ago. Since then, I've been regularly requested to perform several related tasks, namely manuscript submission and peer-reviewing, which I have accomplished whenever possible. In a short term, I have been invited for similar positions and tasks by other journals of the OMICS Group. During all this time, I've been impressed with the amazing multitude of interesting events promoted by the Group, and with the easiness and efficiency of their advertisement and ways of promoting and guaranteeing the accomplishment of the necessary tasks. This undoubtedly reflects enormous underlying labor-intensive efforts of the editorial board. CMO, in particular, in what it concerns to me, has established fair deadlines for the requested tasks, in agreement with my expected areas of expertise.

A few weeks ago, during a simple search for my name in GOOGLE, I was amazed with the amount of entries originated from my (only) recent contributions for the OMICS Group, especially for the CMO. Understandably, I believe that all these facts are extremely important not only for the widespread of reliable scientific information, but also for the enhanced visibility of the work and expertise of relatively young researchers, like me.

A couple of months ago, after gaining knowledge about the concept of the so-called "predatory editors" (namely by lacking true peer-reviewing), I confessed my doubts and fears about my inexperience with open access journals to an american colleague, emeritus professor and world-top expert in the area of Medical Microbiology. For my gladness and extreme satisfaction, he told me that, based on his vast experience as author and editor with some open access journals, his articles "have been particularly reviewed and critiqued" and that "OMICS has been especially keen on this", which has entirely corresponded to my own experience with OMICS and, in particular, with CMO.

I am convinced that indexation in such a reputed scientific database as PUBMED is not only a very worthy endeavor of CMO, but will certainly constitute an undeniable high-quality standard to comply with continuously in the search for increased visibility of the ever-exciting worldwide scientific achievements and findings in its primary field of expertise.

In short, I enthusiastically and unconditionally support this proposal of indexation of CMO in PUBMED.

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