

# Multiple Submissions to One Journal — How will it affect my academic reputation?

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The journal editors were in a bind. There's a flux of new submissions and each is better than the other. On the one hand, they liked the 4 submissions from one author whose articles were topical, showed promise, and were well-written. While on the other hand, the editors were confused about whether to publish all articles by the same author in one issue. What to do? After some deliberation, the editors came up with a solution. They would publish two of the articles but would hold back the third for a later issue. The authors were all happy with the decision, and everyone went on their way.

Well, the publishing world can be a confusing and overwhelming place, with everyone fearing "Publish-or-Perish." Even so, should academics only focus on one journal to publish all their research? How will it impact their academic career? Let's shed some light on this and make an informed decision before making your next [journal submission](#).

## Are Multiple Submissions an Easy Resort to Avoid Journal Rejections?

Young researchers are trying to navigate their way through the [academic publishing](#) landscape. However, regarding [publishing research papers](#), there is no shortage of options. Should you publish in only one journal? The answer to this question depends on many factors, including your field of study, the journal you are considering publishing in, and your personal preferences. Publishing all your research papers in one journal may help build a reputation for that journal and increase its visibility within the academic community. However, it is also important to consider the impact factor of the journal, as well as its readership. If you are looking to reach a wide audience with your research, then publishing in multiple journals may be the best option. Ultimately, the decision of where to publish should be based on what is best for you and your work and not on only your comfort or an easy means to get published.

## What Do Journal Editors Think of Multiple Submissions From the Same Author?

The editors of a reputed journal were once having a meeting to discuss the recent trend of authors doing multiple submissions in one journal. They were concerned about the impact this was having on the quality of their publication. Some of the editors felt that the multiple submissions were lowering the standards of the journal, while others felt that it was simply a way for authors to game the system.

Divided by individual preferences and opinions on the board, they decided to poll the readers of the journal to get their opinion on the matter. The results of the poll showed that the majority of readers felt that the quality of the journal had been impacted negatively by the multiple submissions. As a result, the editors decided to implement a policy prohibiting authors from doing multiple submissions in one journal. While this could be the opinion of the readers of that journal, in particular, it may differ from editor to reader. In the end, the focus is to disseminate knowledge to the audience and not only to get published.

## Reasons Why Authors Submitting Multiple Papers to One Journal?

There are a few reasons why authors might submit multiple papers to only one journal. Maybe they're hoping that if they overwhelm the editors with submissions, at least one of their papers is bound to be accepted. Or maybe they're just trying to save on postage. Whatever the reason, multiple submissions can be a hassle for journals, and it's generally considered a bad form. After all, if an author can't be bothered to do a little research to [find the most appropriate journal](#) for their paper, why should the editors take the time to read it? So if you're thinking about submitting multiple papers to a single journal, think again. It's more likely to hinder your chances of getting published than help them.

However, in some cases, the author may have a good working relationship with the editors and feel confident that their papers will be given a fair review. Additionally,

multiple submissions can help to increase the chances of at least one of the papers being accepted. Finally, submitting multiple papers to the same journal can save time and effort, as the author will only need to go through the submission process once. While there are some benefits to submitting multiple papers to only one journal, it's important to keep in mind that each paper will still be judged on its own merits. As such, authors should make sure that each of their submissions is of the highest quality before sending it off.

## Do Multiple Submissions to the Same Journal Affect an Author's Reputation?

According to a recent study conducted by a team of researchers at the University of Cambridge, it was found that publishing in only one journal can affect your reputation as an academic. It was also found that academics who published in only one journal were less likely to be cited by their peers than those who published in multiple journals. The study's lead author, Dr. Alice Sullivan, said that the findings suggest that publishing in only one journal "sends a signal" to other academics that you are not as rigorous or as respected as those who publish in multiple journals. Dr. Sullivan added that the findings could have implications for how academic journals are evaluated and that they could lead to a "reputational bias" against academics who publish in only one journal. However, it is worth noting that the study's authors did not find a direct causal link between publishing in only one journal and being less cited by your peers. Therefore, it remains to be seen whether publishing in only one journal actually has a negative impact on your reputation as an academic.

It's a common phenomenon in the publishing world: an author submits a paper to a journal, only to have it rejected. So what do they do next? They submit the same paper to another journal. And then another. And another. In some cases, authors will submit multiple papers to only one journal. Why are they doing this?

There's no question that publishing in a single journal can have a major impact on your reputation as an academic. After all, if you're publishing in the same journal over and over again, people are going to start to notice. And while there's nothing wrong with being associated with a particular journal, it can be problematic if it's the only journal you're publishing in. For one thing, it can make you seem like you're not very versatile, and it can also raise questions about your ability to get your work published in other journals. So while publishing in one journal can certainly boost your reputation, it's important to make sure that you're also publishing in other journals as well to ensure that you're seen as a well-rounded scholar.

All things considered, multiple submissions can be a viable option for authors looking to increase their chances of success. However, it is essential to note that there are also some risks. Therefore, authors should carefully consider whether multiple submission is the right move for them before submitting multiple articles to a journal.

## What Must Authors Do Then?

Given the choice, should you publish all your research papers in only one journal? The pros of such a publishing strategy are obvious: you'd become an expert in that journal, you'd develop a good working relationship with the editors, and so on. But there are some potential drawbacks to consider as well. For one thing, if your papers are always appearing in the same journal, they may start to blend together in readers' minds. Additionally, publishing in a single journal could limit your audience and prevent you from reaching new readers. So while there are some advantages to publishing all your research papers in one journal, it's also worth considering the potential drawbacks before making a decision.

In short, there is no simple answer to the question of whether it is better to publish all your research papers in one journal. If you're considering whether or not to submit all your research papers to one journal, congratulations — you're thinking about your academic career! This is an important question with many factors to consider. Although there are pros and cons to both publishing in multiple journals or just one, it's ultimately up to the individual researcher to decide what's best for their career. So ask yourself some questions, do some soul-searching, and then make a decision. And whatever you do, make sure you [start submitting those papers now](#) – time waits for no one!

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