

Academic Publishing for Researchers at Risk: Personal Reflection

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Publication-Track-Record During Oslo University Fellowship (April 2018 July-2020)

- Publication:
 - 1 Book (Palgrave, 2020)
 - 2 Co-edited Book (Sage, 2019 & Palgrave ,2021)
 - 3 Journal Articles (Q1 & Q2)
 - 4 book chapters [Routledge (2) , Nordicom & Sage]
 - 3 Op-Eds
 - 1 Research grant application (under consideration)



Key Strategies (Sometimes publication is not entirely about writing, its more than that)

- Active participation in department meetings
- Active participation in department research groups
- Building meaningful long lasting friendship with colleagues
- Networking (Conference, social media)
- Regularly attend public speaking events in the university
- Co-Authorship, co-editorships (strength, network and promotion)
- Amend/Expand/Update your previous unpublished research
- Idea Matters (Publishing is about research but it is also about convincing your peer reviewer that your idea is unique!)



Personal Strategy

- Be Confident- Please remember you are the expert on your field!
- Use your research fund to employ some one to proof-read and edit your piece.
- Search Q-Ranking of a journal (I kept it simple in choosing journals) (<https://www.scimagojr.com/journalrank.php>)

Q index is the quartile score of a journal or a paper. It can be classified into 4 categories -

Q1 - Top impactful 25% journal or paper

Q2 - Less impactful 25% journal or paper

Q3 - Lesser impactful 25% journal or paper

Q4 -Bottom impactful 25% journal or paper



Final Comments

- Be sincere in your effort but don't stress out or feel low, if you do not manage to publish within the fellowship period!
- It is not the end of the world! Cause Remember:

--Your journey is presumably tougher than your colleagues at the university

--You are free and safe –that is also no less of an achievement in an increasingly authoritarian world!

Appreciate that!



Q&A



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