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Overview - Takeaways

- Understand what makes a publisher predatory.
- Know the different types of predatory publishers.
- Recognize the problems predatory publishers can cause for legitimate journals, authors and researchers.
- Identify resources for evaluating journals.
- Understand how to review journals' websites and use a checklist for personal evaluation.

Raised awareness of predatory publishers.

Background

- Former Health Sciences/Medical Librarian
- Started as Transportation Librarian in 2018
- Path to Predatory Publishers
 - “Predatory Apps” (bogus medical/health apps)

Tactic – ask the experts

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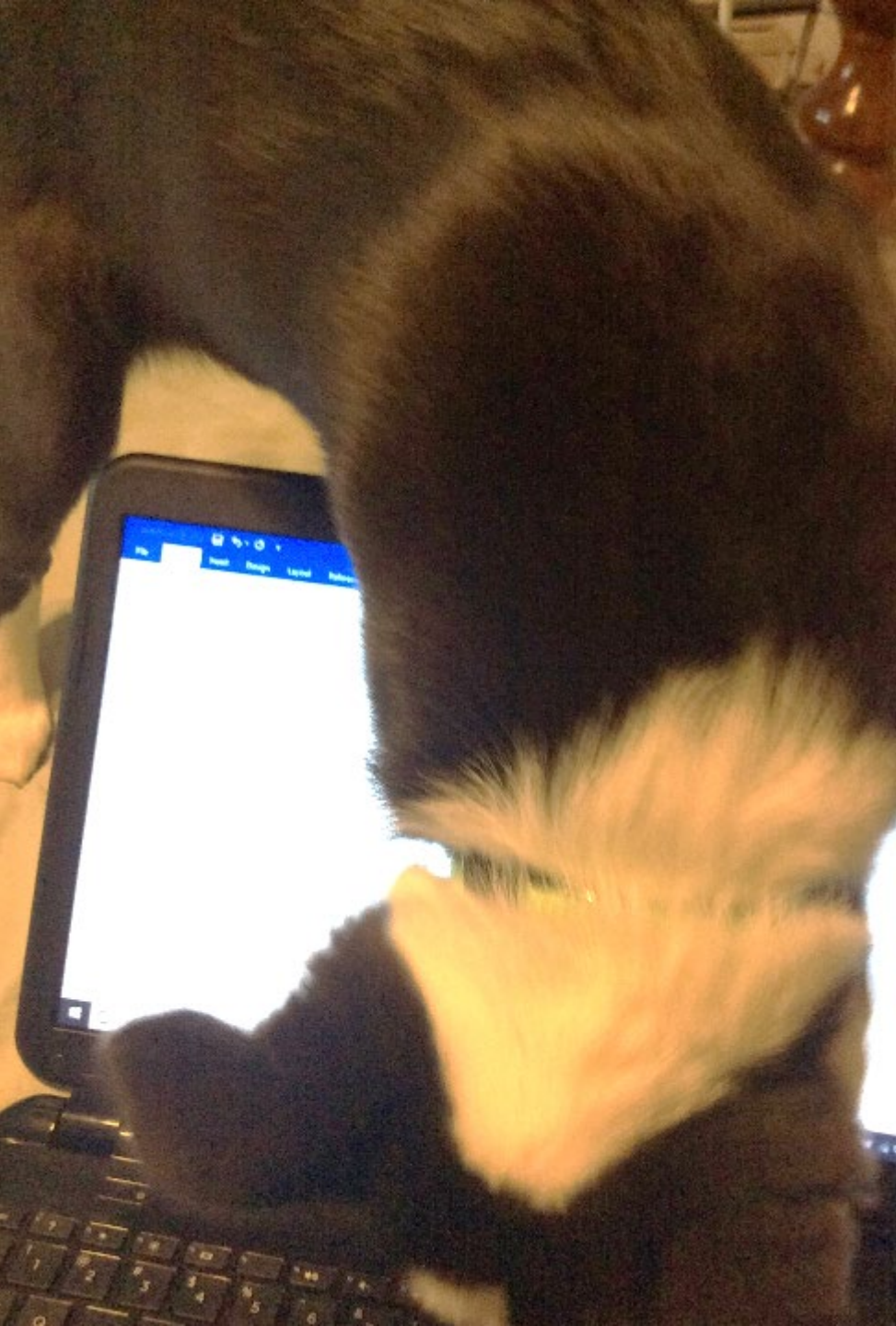
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Predatory Publishers: Intentions Matter

- Oblivious Offender
 - Phisher
 - Hijacker



Oblivious Offender

Unaware of problems.

Think they are doing the right thing.

New journals, good intentions.

Would appeal and make changes.



Phisher

Not always like the Phishing email scams

Trying to pull in new authors/contributors
(New journal)

Might mean well (Oblivious Offender)

Might even be a legitimate journal



Hijacker

Domain names expire – they take over

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“Knock-off” journals

More predatory because they are trying to trick authors into thinking they are the credible journal.



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 - (Avoid review?)
 - Boost esteem?
- Avoid publication fees?

Artificial Neural Networks approach induced by fuzzy logic for traffic delay estimation

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Keywords: Traffic delay, neural network, fuzzy logic, threshold capacity, traffic volume

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- Gives them credibility
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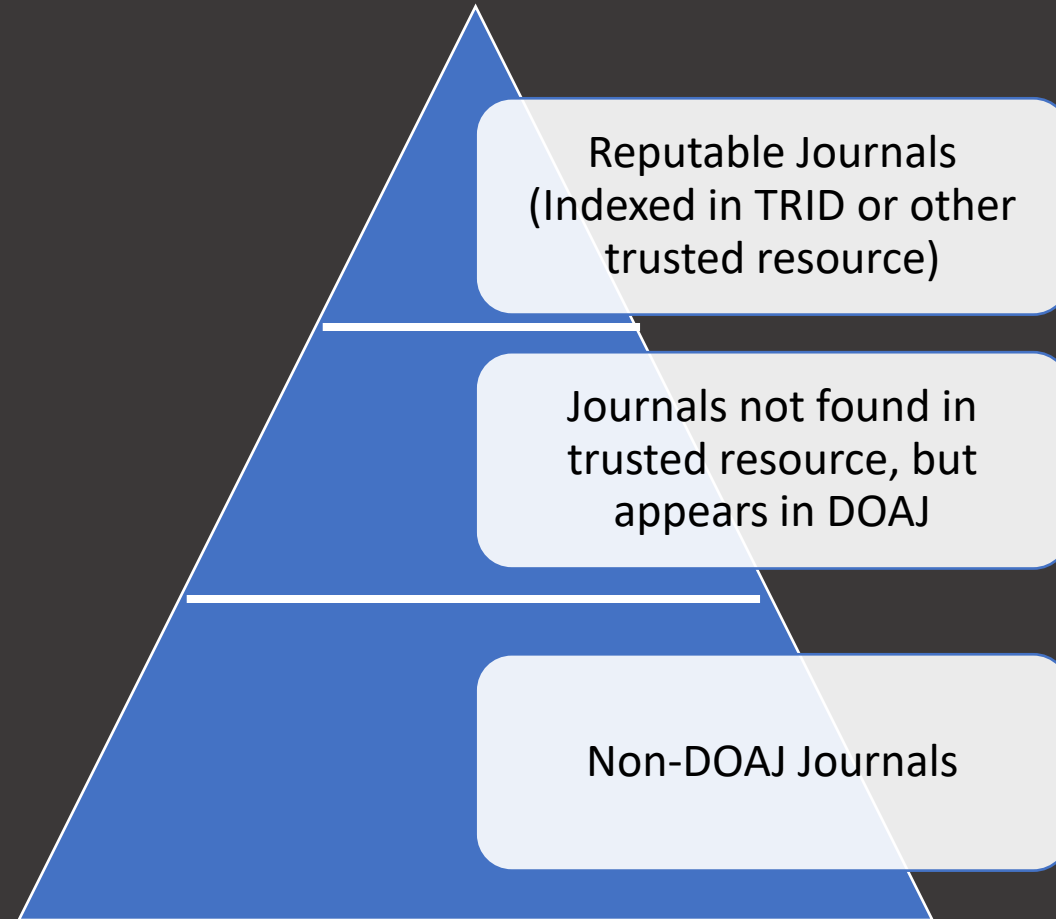
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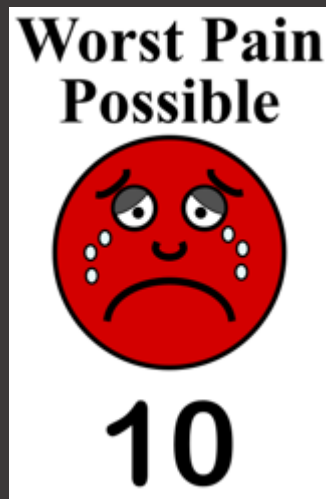
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