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The Observatory of Biomedical Journals Initiative - The OBJ Initiative

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Useless studies have been progressing to command the biomedical ecosystem. They may have gained value by implementing key clinical research standards such as the use of a reporting guideline or unreasonable deviation from pre-specified core items. As journal's editors, they are still the ultimate gatekeepers of the research output in the ecosystem, and may play a big role in reducing the burden of avoidable waste in research, by impacting how research is communicated, verified, valued, evaluated, and rewarded, as an urgent matter.

Therefore, we developed the Observatory of Biomedical Journals Initiative (OBJ Initiative) to prospectively assess open science core values of transparency, openness, reproducibility, as well as equity; audit and aid journals and editorial boards to comply with such policies whenever needed, catalyzing the development of strategies and feasible solutions. We will publicly disseminate and continuously surveil the outcomes.

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