WHY ARE SO MANY SCOPUS INDEXED JOURNALS DISCONTINUED? A CRITICAL REVIEW OF INDONESIAN AUTHOR'S ARTICLES

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Abstract

Publication in Scopus indexed journals is the main requirement in various academic activities in Indonesia. Ironically, there are many articles by Indonesian authors published in Scopus indexed journals which were later discontinued. The purpose of this study was to analyze the weaknesses of Indonesian authors' articles in discontinued Scopus indexed journals. This study used the critical review method, which is an evaluation of the ideas, concepts, methods, premises, arguments, and conclusions of the study. The research sample is a number of scientific articles that were randomly selected in Scopus indexed journal publications in 2019-2021. The results showed several weaknesses in scientific articles written by mostly Indonesian writers are like weak arguments, inappropriate research methods, literature reviews that did not match the premise, and small number of references. In addition, many writers do not master the systematics of journal writing and have weak academic writing skills. These factors have caused the article quality to be low and the journal discontinued by Scopus.

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