

Editorial

We present the first issue of the fifth volume of the **Journal of Science & Technology Metrics**, which includes the papers below.

In the first paper, “**Global Innovation Index as an evidence-based tool for policy-makers**,” the authors studied the Global Innovation Index and its role as a tool for policy-makers. They highlighted the pivotal role of R&D funding in driving innovation, using empirical data from Uzbekistan as a case study.

In the following paper, “**Strategic Planning of Research and Development in Russia: From Classification to Cluster Topic Prominence in Science**,” the authors described the seven strategic priorities and discussed how the bibliometric indicators evolve to measure them. The data relating to the strategy of the Russian Federation is presented across various disciplines.

In the last paper, “**Predatory Journals: The Threat to Credibility of Open Access Publishing**,” the authors studied the data of predatory journals by using different parameters such as the name of the journals, year of establishment, publisher name, country, subject, processing fees and editorial board. The extracted data is presented extensively in different tables. They found that most predatory journals do not mention the publisher’s name on the website.

We will publish more research in the next issue.

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