

OHDM Peer Reviewer's Checklist for Review and in my/our Opinion Papers

General

1. Does the paper conform to the published guidelines for authors submitting papers to the journal/
2. Is it on an important or significant topic?
3. Does the study add to the existing knowledge-base?

Presentation

4. Does the title accurately reflect the content of the paper?
5. Does the paper have a logical construction?
6. Does the length of the paper need adjusting (too long or short)?
7. Is the paper written in a clear and easily understandable style?
8. Is the paper free of grammatical or typographical errors?

Abstract

9. Is there an abstract that conforms to the journal's published guidelines for authors?
10. Does the abstract present an accurate synopsis of the paper?

Introduction

11. Is the introduction appropriate to the paper's subject?
12. Is the literature review, relevant and is it comprehensive?

Discussion

13. Does the discussion comprehensively discuss the papers reviewed (review paper) or significance of points raised (in my opinion paper).

Conclusions

14. Do the conclusions accurately reflect the previous content of the paper?
15. Are the conclusions clearly set out?

Acknowledgements

16. Is there a statement of conflict of interest?
17. If relevant, is there a statement of exactly how each author contributed to the paper?

References

18. Is the paper fully referenced, are the references accurate, up to date and relevant?