

Review of: "Retrieving SSH Journals Citation Information from three datasets (COCI, META and ERIH-PLUS) - Workflow v1"

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The present Protocol perfectly adheres to the requirements of the research question provided by the Open Science course projects. It aims to provide a complete methodology to solve the research problem, starting by splitting it into three sub-questions.

Protocol sections:

The Protocol covers all stages of the project, from data sources to final results, however, some sections may require further information and explanation:

- The abstract does not make clear why scholars should work on these specific datasets. It might be unclear, especially to readers not particularly experienced in this field, who would benefit from a more general overview of the usefulness of such research.
- Concerning the methodology, readers would benefit from an in-depth presentation of the data needed to answer each specific sub-question, even if experienced scholars might derive them implicitly from the context.
- About the results, it might be useful to specify their final formats and whether they will be exported/made available somewhere else (e.g., published on a website).

Protocol writing and structure:

The Protocol respects good standards for the cohesiveness of its content. The workflow is carefully articulated into broad steps, representing a clear understanding of the project development and design. The only flaw concerning the Protocol organization is the last section (6. *Results*), which I expect to be populated with some content.

Overall assessment:

The document comprehensively introduces the backbone of the project workflow. Yet, some improvements may be necessary to reach a wider audience and improve understanding by the less experienced.

