

Review of: "Measuring researchers' success more fairly: going beyond the H-index"

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I congratulate Prof. Giulio Formoso for his research work, which presents an alternative calculation methodology for the H index, which is widely used as an indicator of citation impact in the evaluation of scientific production. In order to achieve metrics that seek to rank researchers and research institutions, with a focus on granting funding, we have observed publications with a high number of authors. This denotes an adaptation to the current rules. When we carry out bibliometric research we observe authors with a high H-index, but when compared to the publications in which they appear as first authors, it is clear that there are few publications. Most of them are research orientations. After such considerations, I suggest to the author that:

1) Develop the theme further and bring research data showing how authors with high H-indexes would be applying the proposed formulation. I believe that it would give a great reinforcement to the proposed argument.

I congratulate you for the proposal

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