PRESS RELEASE

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SciScore is pleased to announce that we are both a Top 10 participant in the CONTENTshift accelerator and a finalist in the 2020 ALPSP Award for Innovation in Publishing. SciScore is an advanced text-mining-based tool that evaluates scientific manuscripts for compliance with recommendations and requirements designed to address different aspects of rigor and reproducibility in the published literature, e.g., MDAR, ARRIVE, CONSORT, and RRID standards. This tool provides a score and a supporting report to identify whether key areas of reproducibility and transparency are addressed in the manuscript. Amongst others, it will look for evidence of randomization, blinded conduct of experiment, sample size estimation, whether sex is included as a biological characteristic,

animal/cell line authentication or contamination, and will verify the identity of the antibodies used.

The CONTENTshift accelerator is "an international funding programme geared towards startups active in the content industry." Its goal is "to make use of the synergies between startups and established companies by bringing them together and firmly anchoring innovations in the industry." Finalists will be selected shortly and will present at the 2020 Frankfurt Book Fair on October 15th where the winner will be announced.

To learn more about CONTENTshift accelerator participants, please see their announcement:

https://www.contentshift.de/en/accelerator/participants-2020/

The 2020 ALPSP Award for Innovation in Publishing is "open to any new development, product, service or project which is both innovative and of significant value to scholarly communication." Winners are chosen based on their ability to "demonstrate excellence in terms of originality, innovation, value to the community, utility and long-term viability."

SciScore will be showcased virtually at the ALPSP Awards Lightning session on September 8, 2020 with the winner announced shortly after at the opening of the 2020 ALPSP Virtual Conference on September 16, 2020.

To learn more about SciScore's award nomination, check out ALPSP's finalist press release:

https://www.alpsp.org/news/alpsp-awards-for-innovation-shortlist-jun-2020

About CONTENTshift

CONTENTshift is an initiative of the Börsenvereinsgruppe that works to create close interconnected relationships between the world of startups and established book-industry players. Its aim in establishing these relationships is to foster innovation and collaboration within the book industry.

About ALPSP

The Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers (ALPSP) is an international membership trade body that supports and represents not-for-profit organizations and institutions that publish scholarly and professional content. With nearly 300 members in 30 countries, membership also includes those that work with these publishers. Its mission is to connect, inform, develop and represent the international scholarly and professional publishing community.

About SciScore

SciScore is a scientific content checker / validation tool that verifies common rigor criteria (NIH, MDAR, ARRIVE) and research resources (antibodies, cell lines, organisms). SciScore uses text mining techniques to perform this critical validation in minutes, providing a report to the editors, reviewers, or authors about criteria that have and have not been addressed. Furthermore, it provides a numerical score, which allows editors to assess the percentage of criteria met or not met at a glance.

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