

Advancing Research Excellence: Aiming for Nature Index Journals

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To: All KFUPM Faculty and Researchers

cc: KFUPM President, Vice President for Research and Innovation, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Deans, Academic Department Chairs, Center Directors

The Deanship of Research, in promoting research excellence, encourages KFUPM faculty members and researchers to consider journals tracked by the **Nature Index** for their relevant and most impactful research.

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Above all, journal selection should reflect the quality and relevance of the research and its suitability for the intended venue, while always upholding research integrity and ethical standards. Nature Index coverage is one indicator among several measures of research excellence, not the sole consideration.

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