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Dear Dr. Bhattacharya,

I would like to draw your precious attention to a discussion initiated by me on the occasion of the 10th International Congress on Peer Review and Scientific Publication¹. This discussion has a general importance for the following reasons:

The pathological system of peer review is an anachronism inherited from the past. Peer review is an opportunity to perform an unlawful censorship which ensures that no apostate notion ever get published in mainstream journals. Or such peer review censorship is an opportunity to steal any content and to claim afterward the priority of first publication. And last but not least, the peer review is an academic tool to promote the mainstream pseudoscience.²

Peer review is unsuitable for the purposes of its application, and therefore there is no reason to continue doing something that evidently has harmful consequences. The entire system of scientific evaluation, starting from the indexation of knowledge^{3,4} and ending with scientific education and recruitment, must be renewed.

Academic freedom means not to suppress the freedom of thinking. But some or all organizers of the International Congress on Peer Review are evidently doing the very opposite. In order to prevent misconduct and to ensure freedom of expression at said congress, some or all its organizers, advisors, and reviewers must be exchanged and all abstracts must be resubmitted and reviewed by scholars respecting freedom of thinking.



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