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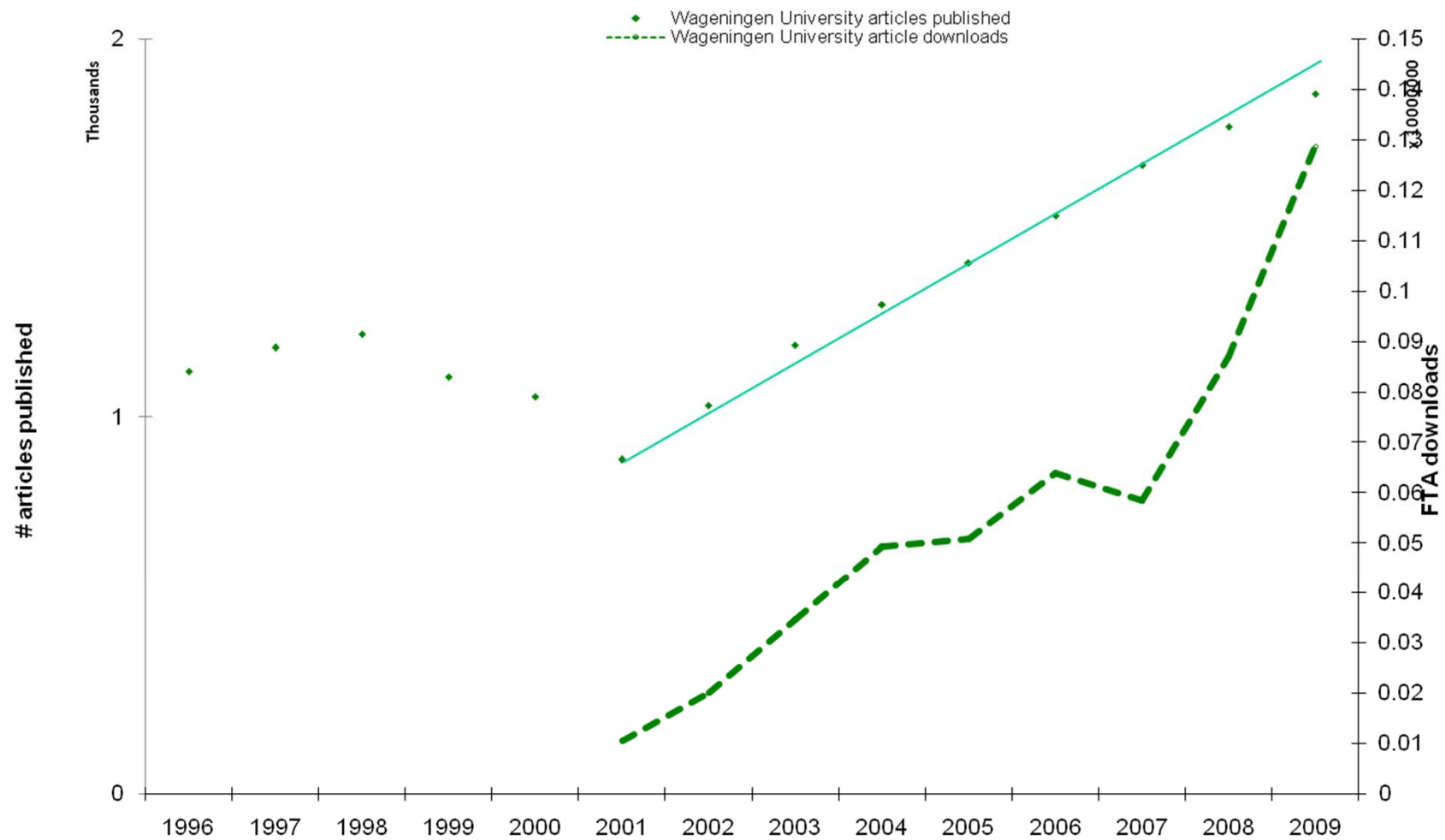
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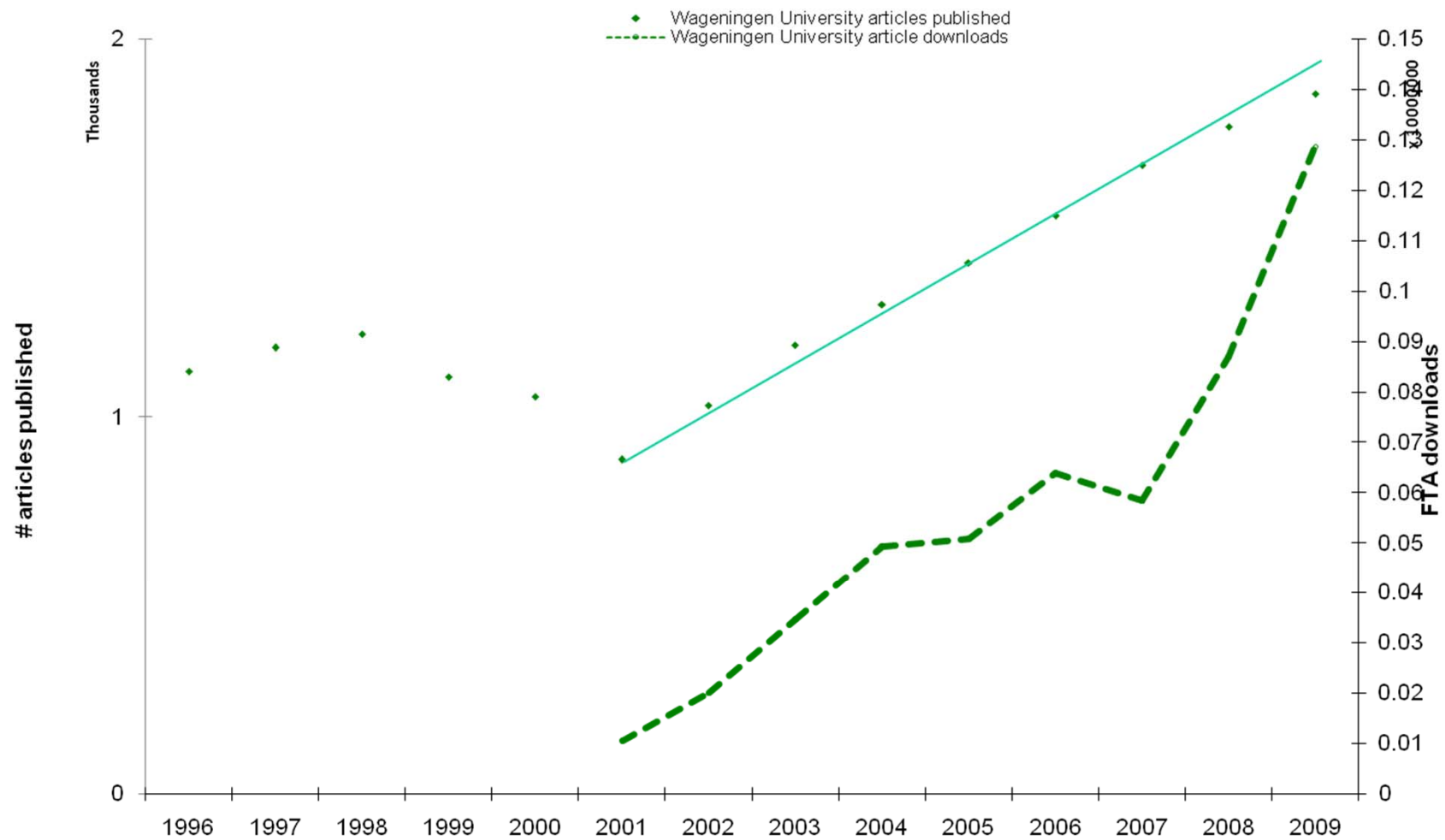
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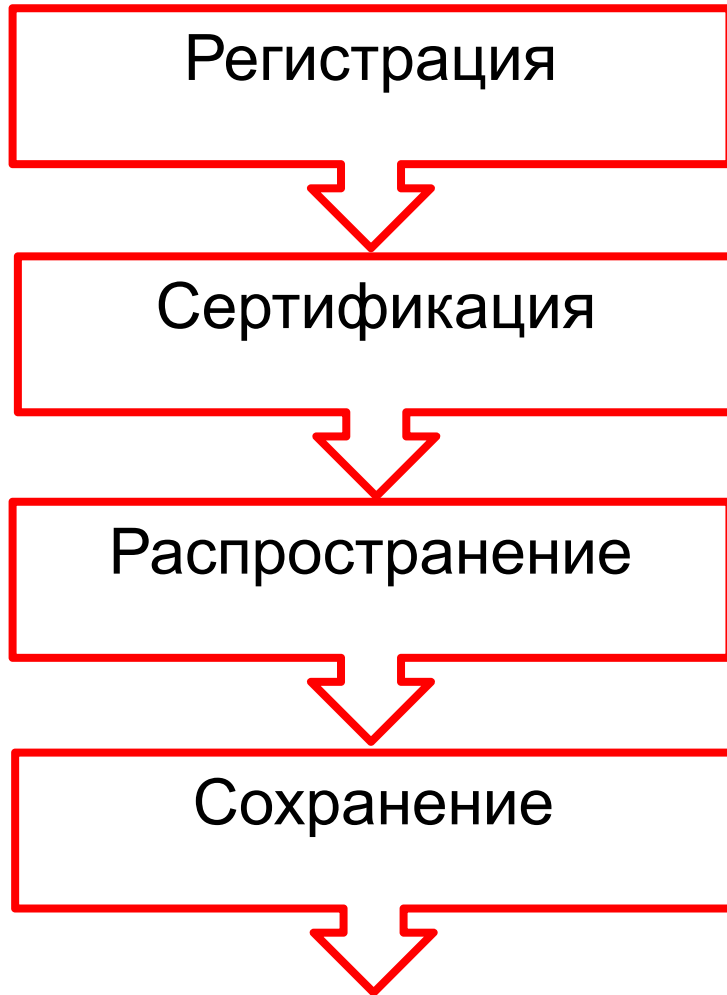
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# Выбор типа публикации

- **Conference paper:**

- Обычно 5-10 стр., 3 рисунка, 15 ссылок
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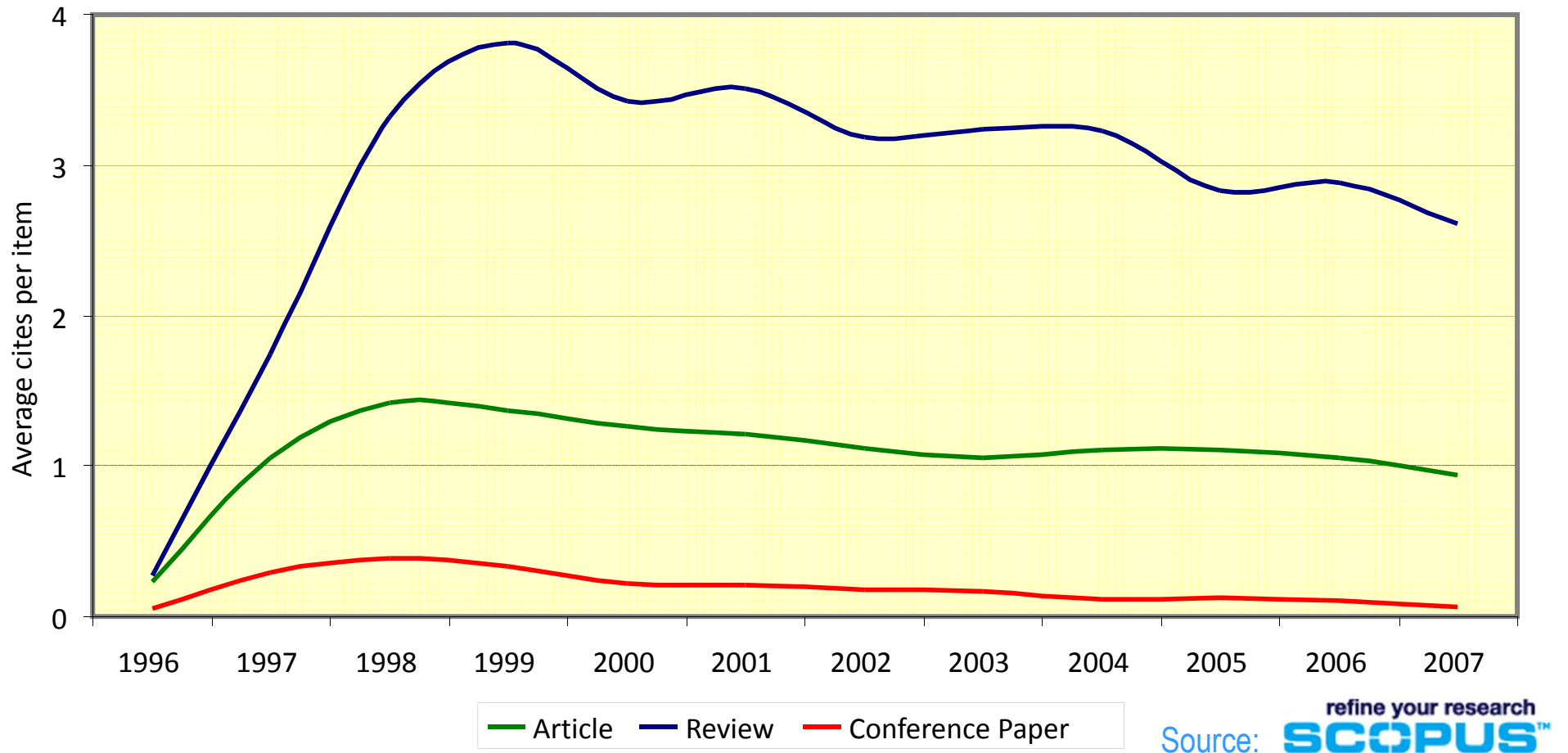
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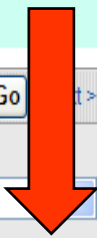
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- Choose an audience
- What is the main message?
- Have you asked a good scientific question?
- Is the science original?

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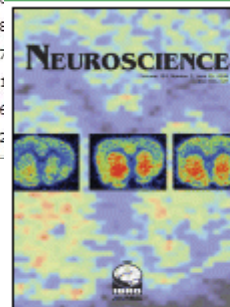
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- What was thought / known / done before this work?
- How does the new data change thinking or support existing ideas?
- Does it open new avenues of research?



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## Plan your paper

1. Create an outline
2. Create the main figures – the backbone of the paper
3. List all ideas you want to include in the paper

Do you have a coherent story, substantiated by the results and references?

No

Yes

- Revise outline
- Revise figures
- Revisit ideas
- Perform more experiments if needed

**Start writing!**

# Key questions

- What is the broader context of your work?
- What have you achieved in this context?
- How did you do it?
- What is the impact of your work?

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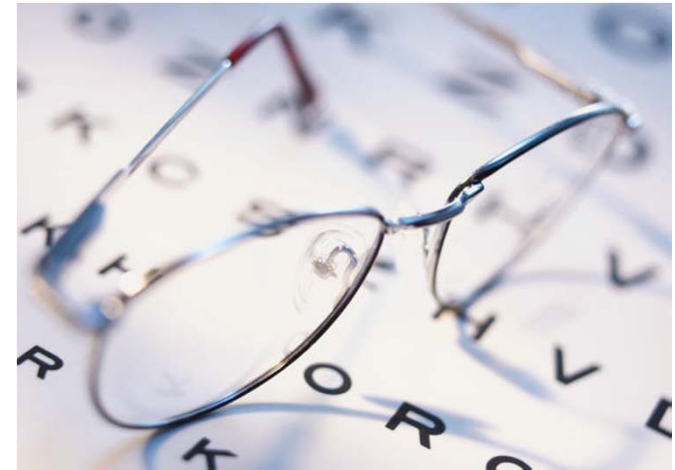
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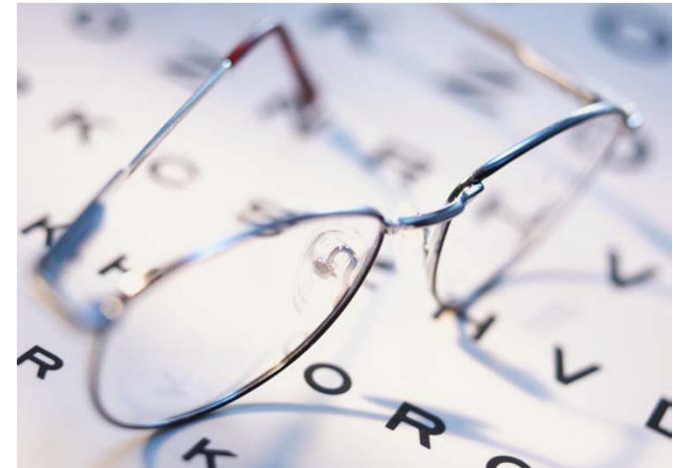
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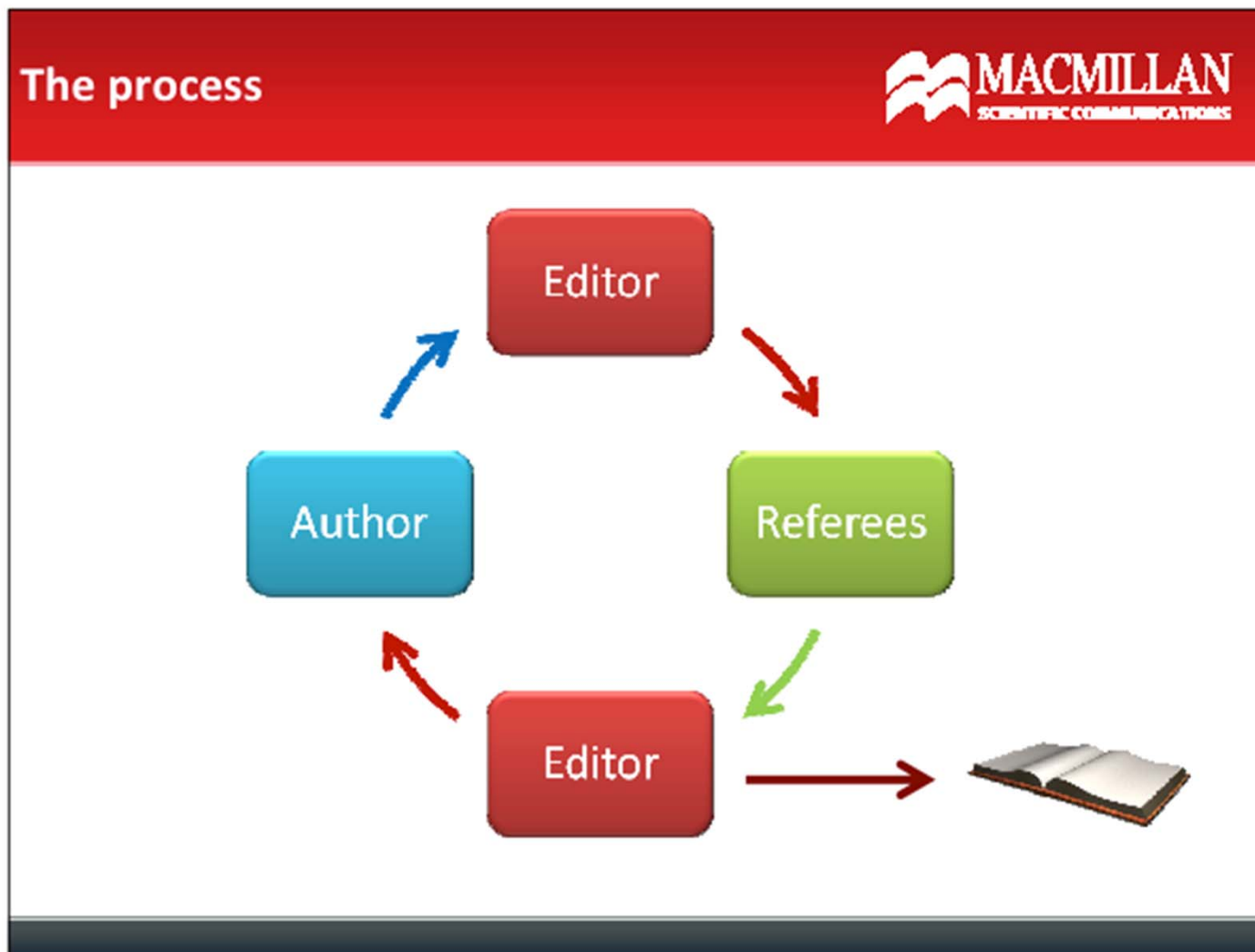
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