SERBIAN ASTRONOMICAL JOURNAL IN SCIENCE CITATION INDEX AND JOURNAL CITATION REPORT

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Abstract. We discuss the first year Serbian Astronomical Journal bibliographic and citation data in the Thomson Reuters’ Science Citation Index and Journal Citation Report.

1. INTRODUCTION

In 2014 Serbian Astronomical Journal (SerAJ) for the first time appeared in Thomson Reuters products (retroactively, from No. 182, 2011): Science Citation Index-Expanded (SCIE) including the Web of Science (WoS), Current Contents/Physical, Chemical & Earth Sciences (CC/PC&ES) and on July 29 in Journal Citation Report (JCR) - commonly referred as ISI or SCI list. The selection process was long and thorough, the parameters monitored were both qualitative and quantitative, including geographical distribution of authors, journal citation/impact factor (IF) (for details see Arbutina 2007, 2010, 2013), etc.

2. THE FIRST YEAR DATA

In JCR for 2013 SerAJ is at the position 41/59 on Astronomy and Astrophysics list with IF = 33/30 = 1.100. The journal immediacy index is II = 1/11 = 0.091 (JCR 2014).

These results are quite good and the only downside is a large self-citation - cites within the same journal, 57% (which is why some journals were even excluded from 2013 JCR). The reason for this is probably non-articles (materials such as editorials, book reviews or in memoriams) and ”citations” in them which are routinely captured and processed when the journal is indexed, but were not counted in e.g. Arbutina (2013). Hence, we expect this number to drop somewhat in the following years.
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