

**Subject:** Re: Inquiry regarding you being named as Editor-in-Chief of a predatory journal

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It is a predatory journal. Using my name

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On Sep 10, 2017, at 10:11 AM, Mattias Lantz <[Mattias.Lantz@physics.uu.se](mailto:Mattias.Lantz@physics.uu.se)> wrote:

Dear Professor Portman,

I was made aware of a journal called Pediatrics Dimensions, where you are named as founding Editor-in-Chief. As the publishing house is on the now closed Beall's list of potential, possible, or probable predatory scholarly open-access publishers, I wonder if it is correct.

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Considering your impressive academic track record I find it unlikely, but from earlier investigations I have encountered researchers who have been involved with similar actors in good faith, not realizing that the publishers are not serious. In other cases, the named persons have not been aware of that their names have been used in order to draw attention to the event or publication. Whether a journal or publisher is serious is of course an issue that can be discussed from many points of views.

Therefore I wonder if you could let me know whether or not you are the Editor-in-Chief of this journal. If not, were you even aware of that your name occurs in this circumstance?

If you have any other comments or questions regarding my inquiry I'll be happy to respond.

Best wishes,  
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