

IJABE is a fast-growing peer-reviewed OA journal

Updated Introduction to IJABE in 2013

International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering (IJABE, www.ijabe.org) is a peer reviewed open access international journal. IJABE, started in 2008, is a joint publication co-sponsored by US-based Association of Agricultural, Biological and Food Engineers (AOCABFE) and China-based Chinese Society of Agricultural Engineering (CSAE). The ISSN 1934-6344 and eISSN 1934-6352 numbers for both print and online IJABE have been registered in US. Now, Int. J. Agric. & Biol. Eng (IJABE) is published in both online and print version.

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Openly accessible IJABE provides wider sharing of knowledge and the acceleration of research, and is thus in the best interest of authors, potential readers, and increases the availability, accessibility, visibility and impact of the papers, and the journal as a whole. IJABE aims at promoting agricultural and biological engineering, increasing academic prosperity, and fostering international academic interchange and cooperation.

This journal provides a platform for sharing the latest high-quality research concerning the agricultural, food and biological engineering and the application of these engineering techniques in all areas of agriculture. The journal features works of great significance, originality, and relevance in all the concerned areas. Our readers are from the international scientific community and may include

educators, policy makers, agricultural engineers and scientists, and interested members of the public around the world.

Up to February 22, 2014, over 1100 submissions were received from over 20 countries, and six volumes with 22 issues and over 220 papers were published. The IJABE website has attracted over 500,000 visits from more than 90 countries around the world. Many papers published in IJABE were cited by other prestigious journals including Web of Science-Core Collection-indexed journals. To date, the total registered users in IJABE database has reached over 10,000 up to date.

Although IJABE is a newly-launched journal, it has been growing quickly and steadily. So far, online and print IJABE has been covered and indexed by over 20 world-renowned indexing databases including Ei Compendex, CA, INSPEC, Abstract Journals (VINITI RAN), Agricola, AGRIS, Scopus, CSA, OCLC, ProQuest, Index Copernicus, Google scholar, CAB International, CAB ABSTRACTS Full Text Select, Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries-Open Access Digital Library, EBSCOhost---Academic Search Complete, Academic Search R&D, Academic Source Complete, and Food Science Source, Socolar, China Educational Publications Import & Export Corporation. All the papers published in IJABE can be searched in the Thomson Reuter's Web of Science All Databases category. IJABE papers are also indexed in the Abstracting & Indexing Sources for AgBiotech News and Information (Active) (Print), Genetics Abstracts (Active) (Print), Index Veterinarius (Active) (Print), Pig News & Information (Active) (Print), Pollution Abstracts (Active) (Print), Postharvest News and Information (Active) (Print), Review of Aromatic and Medicinal Plants (Active) (Print), Virology and AIDS Abstracts (Active) (Print), Wheat, Barley and Triticale Abstracts (Active) (Print), and Ulrich's Periodicals Directory (Active) (Print). And IJABE has been listed on the world's

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Most importantly, up to June 20, 2014, 233 papers published prior to the third IJABE issue of 2014 were indexed in Thomson Reuter's Web of Science-All Databases category, which were cited 411 times including the top-cited paper which was cited 116 times (which was published in IJABE in 2009). IJABE's average citation per item was 1.76 and the corresponding h-index was 8. According to the google scholar citations, as of June 20, 2014, the total number of times that IJABE papers were cited reached 1108 for the 233 papers published in IJABE (through issue 2 of 2014), with an average citation per item of 4.75. It is especially noteworthy that all the 50 papers published in IJABE in 2013 have been indexed by Ei Compendex, with the Compendex abstracted and indexed records uploaded on IJABE website.

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