

Brief introduction on iThenticate-

a Professional plagiarism prevention system

Does iThenticate detect plagiarism?

iThenticate identifies material that matches text from documents found in our extensive database. Highlighted text will include text that has been properly quoted and cited so it is not necessarily plagiarized. You'll just need to verify that every highlighted section has been properly quoted, summarized or paraphrased. As a result, iThenticate makes it easier for you to identify and attribute any material in your manuscript that you may have unintentionally plagiarized.

Does iThenticate add my manuscript to any databases?

No. iThenticate does not add your manuscript to any databases.

What is Purpose of iThenticate?

iThenticate has two primary benefits. First, authors can ensure they have sufficiently cited their sources and presented the highest quality written work. Second, this preliminary editorial review will allow editors of your work to more efficiently move your submitted manuscript to publication.

How does iThenticate works?

1. First, it makes a digital fingerprint of any submitted document using a specially developed set of algorithms.
2. The document's fingerprint is cross-referenced against our local database containing hundreds of thousands of papers.
3. At the same time, we release automated web crawlers to scour the rest of the internet for possible matches.
4. Finally, we create a custom, color-coded originality report, complete with source links, for each paper.

Against what resources will my manuscript be compared?

In addition to the Internet, uploaded manuscripts/grant proposals can be compared to more than 26,000,000 published research articles from 80 global scientific, technical and medical publishers (this cache is larger than most university libraries maintain). This is a critical content component, and one not available in other services. iThenticate's comparison database also includes more than 1,000,000 abstracts and citations from PubMed, and more than 20,000 scholarly research titles from EBSCOhost and the Gale InfoTrac OneFile.

Does iThenticate scan everything ever written?

While iThenticate does search an enormous amount of written work, it is not currently possible to search every document ever written. Since there are a number of books that are not accessible or available in digital form, they are not part of our digital databases.

What does the percentage mean?

The results include a percentage score, called a "Similarity Index", which indicates how much of the document matches other sources. Please note that iThenticate does not determine whether a manuscript contains plagiarism. The service identifies content in a submitted manuscript that matches other sources, primarily to encourage the author of the manuscript to check that other sources have been properly cited.