

About PARKS

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submitted PARKS to Clarivate for indexing in the Web of Science.

Previously, PARKS was a printed, thematic, non-peer-reviewed journal (1986-2008). Since 2012, PARKS has been peer-reviewed and primarily an online journal (www.parksjournal.com) although some issues have been produced as print copies. All available print copies have been digitised and are available on the journal website going back to 1986. Scopus has now retrospectively indexed many of these issues.

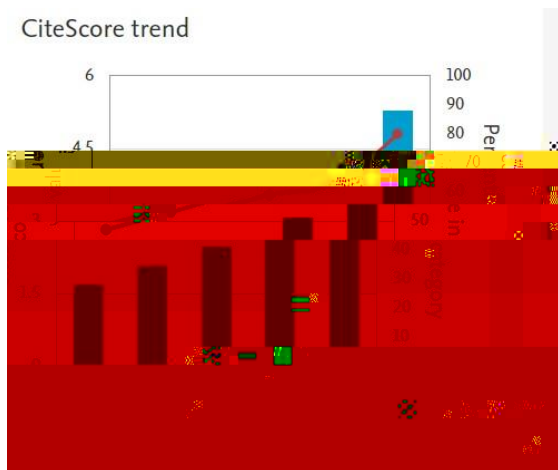


Figure 1. PARKS cite score since acceptance for indexing in Scopus.

Subject matter, journal issues and publication details

PARKS is published with the aim of strengthening international collaboration in protected area development and management by:

- promoting understanding of the values and benefits derived from protected and conserved areas to governments, communities, visitors, business etc;

journal's proof reader who checks journal style including citation formatting etc and final acceptance of the paper.

The Managing Editor is responsible for a final check of the paper and preparing it for typesetting by the journal's graphic designer, final approval and sending the proof of the paper for author approval, allocation of DOIs (digital object identifiers). The Managing Editor also loads the issues and the individual papers and Supplementary Online Material onto the journal's website. The website is developed on WordPress and can be updated with minimal technical expertise. A small allocation of funds (about 100-200 CHF is used to pay for technical support for website updating as required).

A spreadsheet and shared online file system is used to track and manage papers and store submissions and related files.

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