

## 100 Core and Periphery Journals for Terrorism Research

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### *Abstract*

*This resource collection lists journals that are deemed to be most helpful for serious researchers. It contains both subscription-based and open-access journals, most of them peer-reviewed. These journals were identified by a variety of techniques, including citation analyses, to optimize results.*

### *Introduction*

The following up-to-date (end of March 2013) resource collection lists one hundred core and periphery journals that are likely to be of significant importance for students, researchers, and professionals in the field of terrorism and counter-terrorism studies. A core journal – as defined by Avishag Gordon – is “a mainstream journal in a discipline, [that] is dedicated to the central themes of the specific scientific field. It carries the name of the field in its title (in most cases).”[1] Core journals produce a substantial percentage of the total amount of literature available in any given field. In contrast, a periphery journal “occasionally publishes articles about terrorism but is dedicated mostly to another field of study. This type of journal could be a mainstream publication in a discipline such as economy or sociology; and because it publishes material about terrorism from time to time it is considered a peripheral journal for terrorism subject-area.”[2]

Studies have shown that terrorism research has a large research periphery.[3] Therefore, relevant resources are scattered over a broad spectrum of academic journals. This makes efforts to retrieve them more laborious. The listed journals - most of them are peer-reviewed - were identified by using keyword searches on publisher homepages, scanning journal lists, bibliographies and reference lists as well as engaging in citation analyses. In addition to the division into *core* and *periphery journals*, the list is further split into *subscription-based* and *open-access* (i.e. freely available) journals. Like every hand-searched resource collection, this one reflects subjective choices. Since the information requirements of researchers differ, the present resource list should not be used as single source for journal retrieval in the wide interdisciplinary field of terrorism studies. Especially for disciplinary sub-topics, researchers are advised to search for additional journals tailored to their specific needs. The reader should keep in mind that this list is largely confined to English-language publications. However, there is a sizeable literature written in other languages; it is growing in importance and offers a valuable counter-weight to the dominance of the Anglo-Saxon literature.

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***Core Journals for Terrorism Research****Open-Access Journals*

Combating Terrorism Exchange

<https://globalecco.org/journal>

Counter Terrorist Trends & Analysis (CTTA)

[http://www.pvtr.org/ICPVTR/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=330&Itemid=245](http://www.pvtr.org/ICPVTR/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=330&Itemid=245)

CTC Sentinel

<http://www.ctc.usma.edu/publications/sentinel>

Defence Against Terrorism Review

<http://www.tmmm.tsk.tr/index.htm>

Journal of 9/11 Studies

<http://www.journalof911studies.com>

Journal of Terrorism Research

<http://ojs.st-andrews.ac.uk/index.php/jtr/index>

Perspectives on Terrorism

<http://www.terrorismanalysts.com/pt/index.php/pot>

Security & Terrorism Research Bulletin [discontinued]

[http://www.grc.net/index.php?op\\_lang=&frm\\_action=publication\\_detail&publ\\_type=57&publ\\_id=65&sec=Publications&sec\\_type=d&override=Security+%2526+Terrorism+Research+Bulletin&frm\\_module=publications](http://www.grc.net/index.php?op_lang=&frm_action=publication_detail&publ_type=57&publ_id=65&sec=Publications&sec_type=d&override=Security+%2526+Terrorism+Research+Bulletin&frm_module=publications)

Spotlight on Terror [discontinued]

<http://www.jamestown.org/programs/gta>

Terrorism: An Electronic Journal and Knowledge Base

<http://www.terroriselectronicjournal.org>

Terrorism Focus [discontinued]

<http://www.jamestown.org/programs/gta>

Terrorism Monitor

<http://www.jamestown.org/programs/gta>

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*Subscription-Based Journals*

Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/rirt20>

Biosecurity and Bioterrorism: Biodefense Strategy, Practice, and Science

<http://www.liebertpub.com/bsp>

Counter Terrorism

<http://www.iaesp.com/publications.php>

Counter Terrorist Magazine, The

<http://www.thecounterterroristmag.com>

Critical Studies on Terrorism

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/17539153.asp>

Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict: Pathways Toward Terrorism and Genocide

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/17467586.asp>

inSITE

<https://insite.siteintelgroup.com>

International Journal of Cyber Warfare and Terrorism

<http://www.igi-global.com/journal/international-journal-cyber-warfare-terrorism/1167>

International Journal of Terrorism and Political Hot Spots

[https://www.novapublishers.com/catalog/product\\_info.php?products\\_id=4705](https://www.novapublishers.com/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=4705)

Journal of Applied Security Research: Prevention and Response in Asset Protection, Terrorism and Violence

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/wasr20>

Journal of Policing, Intelligence and Counter Terrorism

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/rpic>

Militant Leadership Monitor

<http://mlm.jamestown.org>

Studies in Conflict & Terrorism

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/uter20>

Terrorism and Political Violence

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/ftpv20>

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*Periphery Journals for Terrorism Research**Open-Access Journals*

Anthropoetics

<http://www.anthropoetics.ucla.edu>

conflict &amp; communication online

<http://www.cco.regener-online.de>

CyberOrient

<http://www.cyberorient.net>

Disarmament Forum

<http://unidir.org/en/publications/disarmament-forum>

Ejournalist

<http://ejournalist.com.au>

Fletcher Forum of World Affairs, The [Online Edition]

<http://www.fletcherforum.org>[http://fletcher.tufts.edu/\\_Fletcher-Forum](http://fletcher.tufts.edu/_Fletcher-Forum)

Global Media Journal: Canadian Edition

[http://www.gmj.uottawa.ca/index\\_e.html](http://www.gmj.uottawa.ca/index_e.html)

Global Media Journal: Mediterranean Edition

<http://globalmedia.emu.edu.tr>

Global Security Studies

<http://globalsecuritystudies.com>

Homeland Security Affairs

<http://www.hsaj.org>

International Journal of Conflict and Violence

<http://www.ijcv.org/index.php/ijcv>

International Journal of Safety and Security in Tourism/Hospitality

<http://www.palermo.edu/economicas/cbrs/ijsth.html>Internationale Politik (IP)

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<https://zeitschrift-ip.dgap.org/de>

Joint Force Quarterly

<http://www.ndu.edu/press/jointForceQuarterly.html>

Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/%28ISSN%291083-6101>

Journal of Conflict Studies, The

<http://journals.hil.unb.ca/index.php/JCS/index>

Journal of International Security Affairs, The

<http://www.securityaffairs.org>

Journal of Media Sociology

<http://www.marquettebooks.com/communicationjournals/jms.html>

Journal of Middle East Media

[http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwaus/JMEM\\_home.html](http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwaus/JMEM_home.html)

Journal of National Security, Law and Policy

<http://www.jnslp.com>

Journal of Strategic Security

<http://scholarcommons.usf.edu/jss>

KAS-Auslandsinformationen

<http://www.kas.de/wf/de/34.5>

Kriminalpolizei, Die

<http://www.kriminalpolizei.de>

Middle East Media Educator

<http://ro.uow.edu.au/meme>

Middle East Quarterly, The

<http://www.meforum.org/meq/issues>

Middle East Review of International Affairs (MERIA)

<http://www.gloria-center.org/publications/meria/>

Military Review

<http://usacac.army.mil/CAC2/MilitaryReview>

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New Media and Mass Communication

<http://www.iiste.org/Journals/index.php/NMMC/index>

Pakistan Journal of Criminology

<http://www.pakistansocietyofcriminology.com/publications.php>

Parameters

<http://www.carlisle.army.mil/USAWC/Parameters>

per Concordiam

<http://www.marshallcenter.org/mcpblicweb/en/nav-pubs-per-concordiam.html?view=alphacontent>

Policy Review

<http://www.hoover.org/publications/policy-review>

PRISM

<http://www.ndu.edu/press/prism.html>

Small Wars Journal

<http://smallwarsjournal.com/jrnl/recent>

Strategic Insights

<http://calhoun.nps.edu/public/handle/10945/11071>

UNISCI Discussion Papers

<http://revistas.ucm.es/index.php/UNIS>

Wilberforce Quarterly

<http://www.wilberforce.edu/cdsp>

*Subscription-Based Journals*

Aggression and Violent Behavior

<http://www.journals.elsevier.com/aggression-and-violent-behavior>

American Behavioral Scientist

<http://abs.sagepub.com>

Brown Journal of World Affairs, The

<http://www.bjwa.org/index.php>

Conflict Management and Peace Science

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<http://cmp.sagepub.com>

Crime, Law and Social Change

<http://www.springer.com/social+sciences/criminology/journal/10611>

Crime Media Culture

<http://cmc.sagepub.com>

Democracy and Security

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/fdas20>

European Journal of Cultural Studies

<http://ecs.sagepub.com>

Georgetown Journal of International Affairs

<http://journal.georgetown.edu>

Global Crime

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/17440572.asp>

Global Media and Communication

<http://gmc.sagepub.com>

International Affairs

<http://www.blackwellpublishing.com/journal.asp?ref=0020-5850>

International Communication Gazette

<http://gaz.sagepub.com>

International Journal of Press/Politics, The

<http://hij.sagepub.com>

International Security

<http://www.mitpressjournals.org/loi/isec>

Journal for Intelligence, Propaganda and Security Studies (JIPSS)

<http://www.acipss.org/old/journal.htm>

Journal of Arab & Muslim Media Research

[http://www.intellectbooks.co.uk/journals/view-Journal\\_id=148](http://www.intellectbooks.co.uk/journals/view-Journal_id=148)

Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/hbem20>

Journal of Communication

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<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/%28ISSN%291460-2466>

Journal of Conflict Resolution

<http://jcr.sagepub.com>

Journal of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

<http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/jhsem>

Journal of Military Ethics

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/smil20>

Journal of Peace Research

<http://jpr.sagepub.com>

Media, War & Conflict

<http://mwc.sagepub.com>

Middle East Policy

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/%28ISSN%291475-4967>

ORBIS – A Journal of World Affairs

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/00304387>

ORIENT

[http://www.deutsche-orient-stiftung.de/content/category/2/10/31/lang\\_de](http://www.deutsche-orient-stiftung.de/content/category/2/10/31/lang_de)

Political Communication

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/upcp20>

Political Psychology

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/%28ISSN%291467-9221>

Politics, Religion & Ideology

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/ftmp21>

Radical History Review

<http://rhr.dukejournals.org>

RUSI Journal, The

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/rusi20>

Security Dialogue

<http://sdi.sagepub.com>

SIAC-Journal

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[http://www.bmi.gv.at/cms/BMI\\_SIAK/ifwuf/SIAK\\_Journal.aspx](http://www.bmi.gv.at/cms/BMI_SIAK/ifwuf/SIAK_Journal.aspx)

Small Wars & Insurgencies

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/fswi20>

Survival

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/tsur20>

Third World Quarterly

<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/ctwq20>

Washington Quarterly, The

<http://tandfonline.com/loi/rwaq20>

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### **Notes**

[1] Avishag Gordon (2005, March): The Peripheral Terrorism Literature: Bringing it Closer to the Core. *Scientometrics*, 62 (3), 404. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s11192-005-0030-8>

[2] Ibid.

[3] See, for example, Daryl R. Bullis and Richard D. Irving (2013, March): Journals Supporting Terrorism Research: Identification and Investigation into their Impact on the Social Sciences. *College & Research Libraries*, 74 (2), 119-129. URL: <http://crl.acrl.org/content/74/2/119.abstract> and Avishag Gordon (2005, March), op. cit.