

Second Early Research Proposal

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Research Contributions of *The Accounting Review* and a Comparison with Leading Accounting Research Journals

This study aims to examine the latest contribution of research published in *The Accounting Review* in the past decade by investigating the publication characteristics and citations as well as comparing them with those in four other highly regarded research outlets including the *Journal of Accounting Research*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *Journal of Accounting and Economics*, and *Accounting, Organization, and Society*. The proposed methodology is to utilize taxonomic classifications and bibliometrics to research on new collected TAR literature information as well as existing ones in the Rutgers University Accounting Research Database (ARD) which is founded by Vasarhelyi and Berk (1984) containing articles information published in 11 leading journals in both accounting and accounting information area. Specifically, new added studies will be classified into 12 taxonomy classes to better understand the content and bibliometrics such as citation analysis will be used to reason out the influence strength of articles in the discipline. The three research questions in this study include 1) what area and specific attributes do research published in TAR fall under in the past decade, 2) how have the characteristics of studies published in TAR evolved over time, and 3) whether there are significant variations in terms of publication attributes between TAR and the four other leading accounting journals.