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## DESCRIPTION

*The Journal of Hazardous Materials* is an international forum that advances world class research by publishing articles in the areas of Environmental Science and Engineering. We publish full-length research papers, review articles, and perspectives that improve our understanding of the hazards and risks that certain materials pose to public health and the environment. Papers that deal with ways of assessing environmental impact (Environmental Science) and risk mitigation (Environmental Engineering) of hazardous materials (HM) are within the scope of the journal. The Journal publishes high-impact contributions on:

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