

PHILOSOPHY

OVERLOADING REVIEWER

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There is an interesting paper at [bioRxiv](https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.01.22.418111) on the never ending stream of review requests

... overburdening of reviewers to be caused by (i) an increase in manuscript submissions; (ii) insufficient editorial triage; (iii) a lack of reviewing instructions; (iv) difficulties in recruiting reviewers; (v) inefficiencies in manuscript handling and (vi) a lack of institutionalisation of peer review.

What makes it even more worse, that with the limited capacity of pre-publication review also the capacity of post-publication review is dropping...

Want to be a predatory reviewer? Just click on “yes” at the [Cureus website](https://www.cureus.com/) (but read up the gossip at [researchgate](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/348111111) first)

The screenshot displays the Cureus website interface. A prominent white pop-up window with a blue border and a close button (X) in the top right corner is centered on the screen. The pop-up contains the text: "Join our Peer Review Panel", "Lend a hand to your fellow Cureus authors and volunteer for our peer review panel. Reviewing with Cureus is easy, fast and hassle-free! Read our [Reviewer Guide](#) for more info.", and an orange button labeled "JOIN PEER REVIEW PANEL".

The background shows the Cureus website with a dark header. The main content area features an article titled "Association of Serum Vitamin D and Immunoglobulin E Levels With Severity of Allergic Rhinitis" by Nukhbat U. Awan, Shahzada K. Sohail, FATIMA NAUMERI, Shahida Niazi, Khalid Cheema, Samina Qamar, and Syeda Fatima Rizvi. The article is marked as "ORIGINAL ARTICLE" and "PEER-REVIEWED". The publication date is January 25, 2021, and the DOI is 10.7759/cureus.12911. The article is categorized under "Abstract" and "Keywords".

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