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The substantial growth of the number of articles submitted to the journal from various countries, primarily Asian, was one of the consequences of publishing the journal in English. Thus, for the three years (2006–2008), the journal printed articles written by authors from China (47 articles), Iran (29), India (19), Turkey (18), Pakistan (4), Korea (2), and one article (per country) from Jordan, Malaysia, and Thailand. At the same time, a small number of articles were submitted from Brazil, Argentina, the United States, Egypt, Poland, Greece, Serbia, Spain, Austria, Bulgaria, and Denmark. There were many publications from countries of the former Soviet Union.

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Numbers of claims (downloads) of full texts of articles in the English version of journals in 2008, impact factors of 2007, and numbers of subscriptions to the Contents of the journals by December 30, 2008

Journal	Total number of claims in 2008	Number of published articles in 2008	Number of downloads per article	Impact factor (2007)	Number of subscriptions for the Contents of the journals
1	2	3	4	5	6
Colloid Journal	17544	113	155.26	0.729	809
Doklady Chemistry	7977	89	89.63	0.442	588
Doklady Physical Chemistry	6365	83	76.69	0.473	512
Inorganic Materials	32485	280	116.02	0.442	1000
International Journal of Self-Propagating High-Temperature Synthesis	1635	39	41.92	–	93
Journal of Analytical Chemistry	42128	225	187.24	0.603	1662
Journal of Structural Chemistry	42756	170	251.51	0.481	869
Kinetics and Catalysis	20824	123	169.30	0.711	955
Moscow University Chemistry Bulletin	1277	70	18.24	–	103
Petroleum Chemistry	4120	80	51.50	0.343	180
Polymer Science Series A	6078	149	40.79	0.696	303
Polymer Science Series B	2698	75	35.97	0.340	283
Polymer Science Series C	2083	6	347.17	1.625	256
Polymer Science Series D	793	72	11.01	–	73
Protection of Metals	15772	124	127.19	0.271	366
Radiochemistry	6540	114	57.37	–	387
Russian Journal of Applied Chemistry	42909	429	100.02	0.269	936
Russian Journal of Bioorganic Chemistry	16208	111	146.02	0.630	580
Russian Journal of Coordination Chemistry	14580	148	98.51	0.534	487
Russian Journal of Electrochemistry	28879	201	143.68	0.263	576
Russian Journal of General Chemistry	33759	33759	85.04	0.466	581
Russian Journal of Inorganic Chemistry	8053	8053	25.89	0.590	248
Russian Journal of Organic Chemistry	72764	72764	214.64	0.511	734
Russian Journal of Physical Chemistry. A.	9776	9776	22.63	0.477	228
Focus on Chemistry					
Russian Metallurgy (Metally)	2361	2361	31.48	–	142
Solid Fuel Chemistry	1476	1476	20.22	–	70
Theoretical Foundations of Chemical Engineering	19863	19863	156.40	0.272	299