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What is bibliometrics?

 Quantitative analysis of research publications based on citations

• Online tracking







Bibliometrics applications

- Review the literature in a discipline
- Map influential researchers in a field
- Measure research quality and impact
- Map collaboration between researchers
- Compare output of individuals, research centres, and institutions (ERA)
- Compare national publication



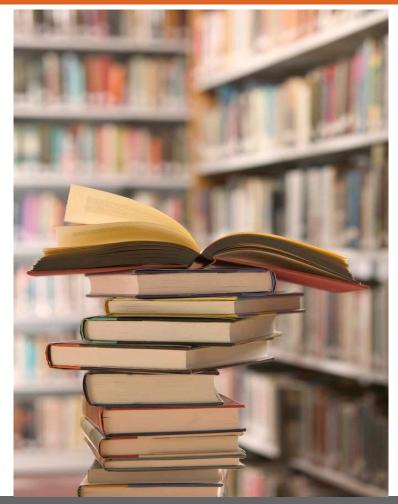


Citation analysis - tools

Web of Science

Scopus

Publish or Perish



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Web of Science journal coverage

Science Citation Index

Social Science Citation Index ~4,500

Arts & Humanities Citation Index ~2,300



~8,300

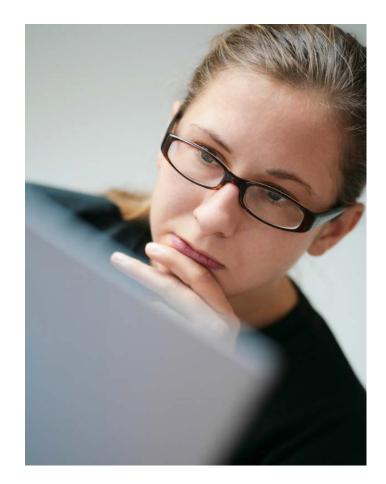
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Types of Web of Science searches

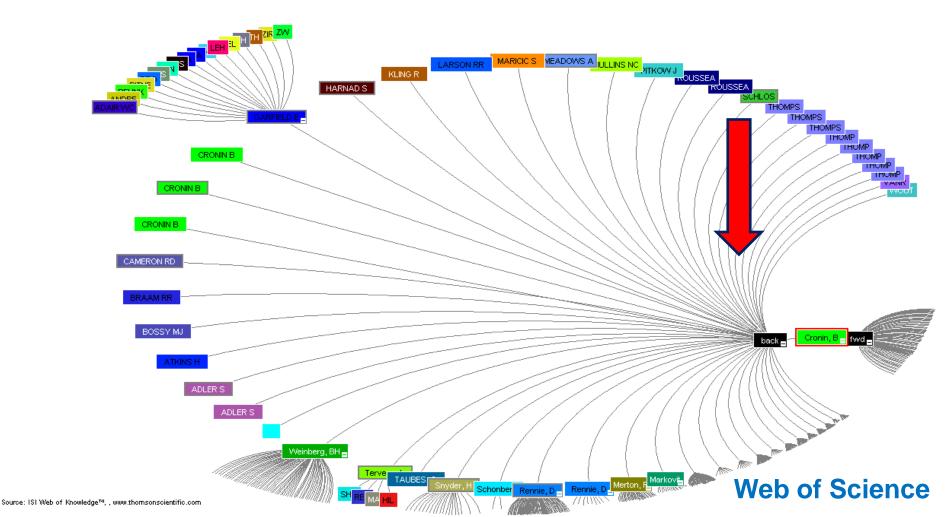
- Search (topic, author, publication)
- Author finder
- Cited reference search







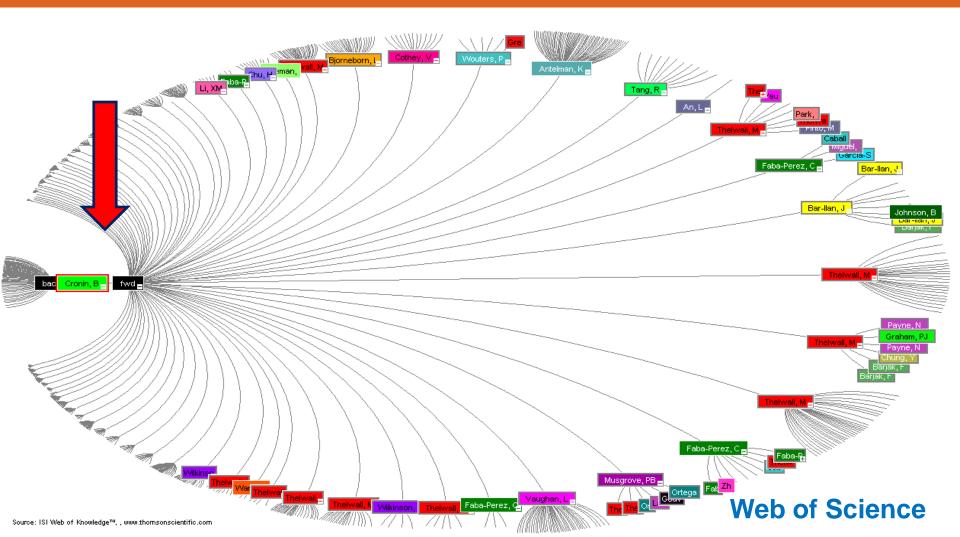
Researcher cites others ...







Researcher is cited by others...

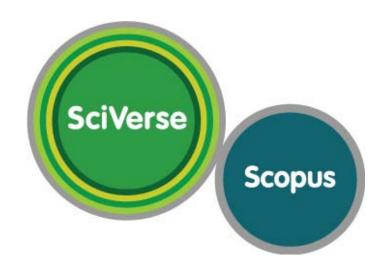






Scopus

- Citation database
- Subject coverage
 - -Scientific
 - Technical
 - -Medical
 - -Social sciences
 - -Arts & Humanities







Types of Scopus searches

- Document search
- Author search
- Affiliation search
- Advanced search







Scopus – Analyse results tool

Analyze results | Back to results

Source title

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Subject area

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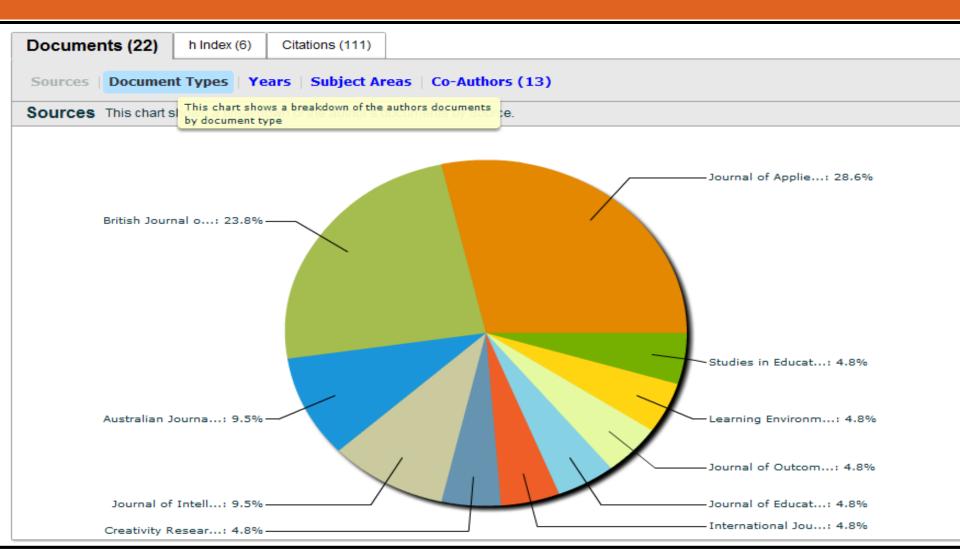
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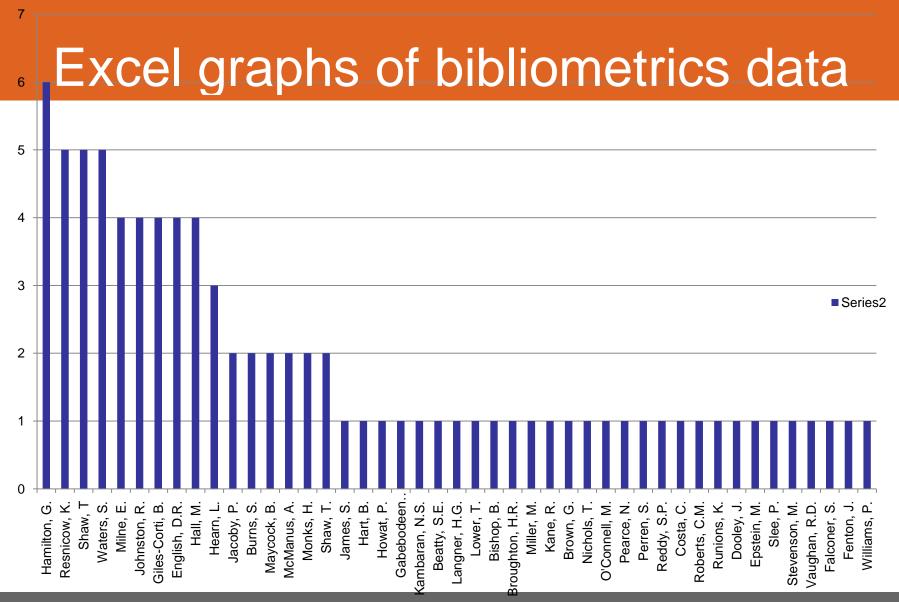




Scopus – author evaluator tool



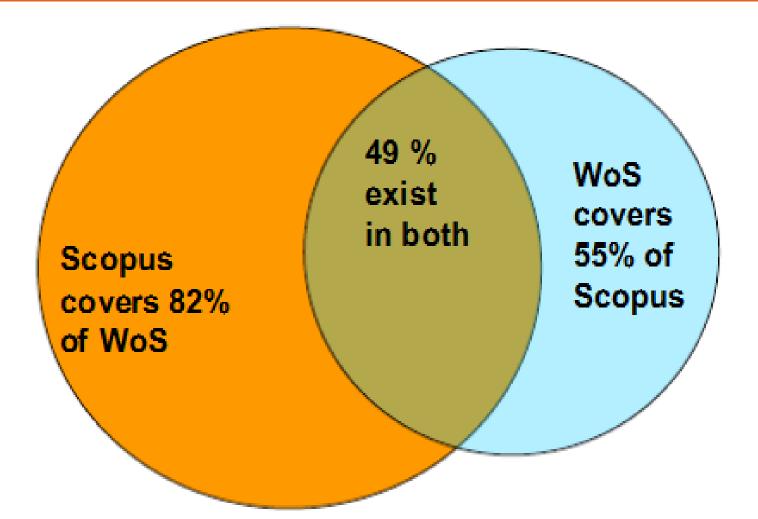








Scopus Web of Science overlap







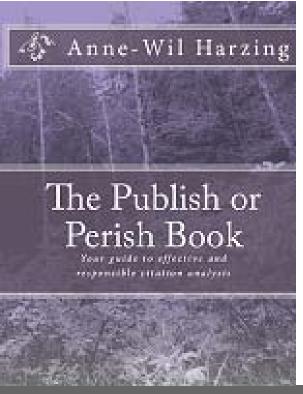
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- Includes results across many major databases
- Better for social sciences, arts and humanities
- Produces research performance metrics
- Download results to Excel



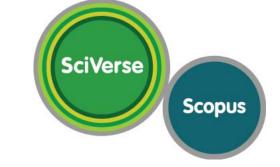


Which database to use?

Scopus

Web of Science

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Journal metrics





Journal metrics, measuring journal impact

- Journal Citation Reports (JCR)
 - Science Edition
 - Social Sciences Edition
- Impact factors
- Highly cited journals in a discipline
- Leading journals in a discipline
- Discipline specific





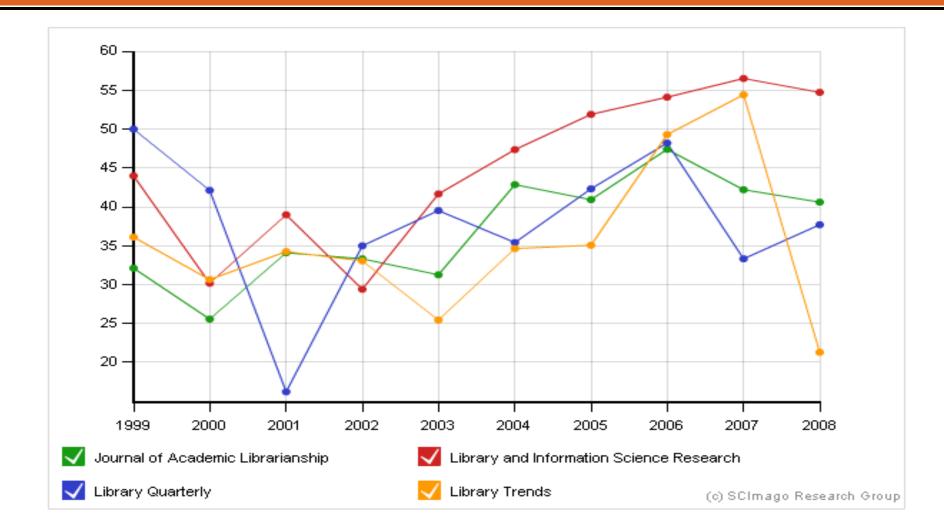
JCR impact factors in Nanotechnology

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Comparing journals on Scopus



Future developments...





Altmetrics to determine research impact

- Altmetrics manifesto
- New ways to measure impact
- New metrics based on analysing the social web
- Scholarship is changing
- Scholars use the Web: blogs, Twitter, social media





Altmetrics new tools – Web 2.0

- Reference managers
- Mendeley, Zotero

Social media

Blogs, Twitter

Social bookmarking

• Delicious













Bibliometrics – handle with care!

- Disciplinary differences
- Citation impact vs Impact of research
- Assumption that
 - Cited articles have been read/used
- But we also have
 - Time-lag
 - Self citing
 - Diplomatic citing/non-citing



Any questions?



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