Introducing Scopus

Data | Curated. Connected. Complete

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Content

What is Scopus

Supporting Researchers and Librarians

Scopus Data:

- Distribution Methods
- The Gold Standard (Rankings, THE, National Assessment)

Scopus Content:

- Global Representation
- Historical Depth of content
- Transparent selection & re-evaluation criteria

Scopus Profiles: Author & Institutional

Research Metrics

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- PlumX

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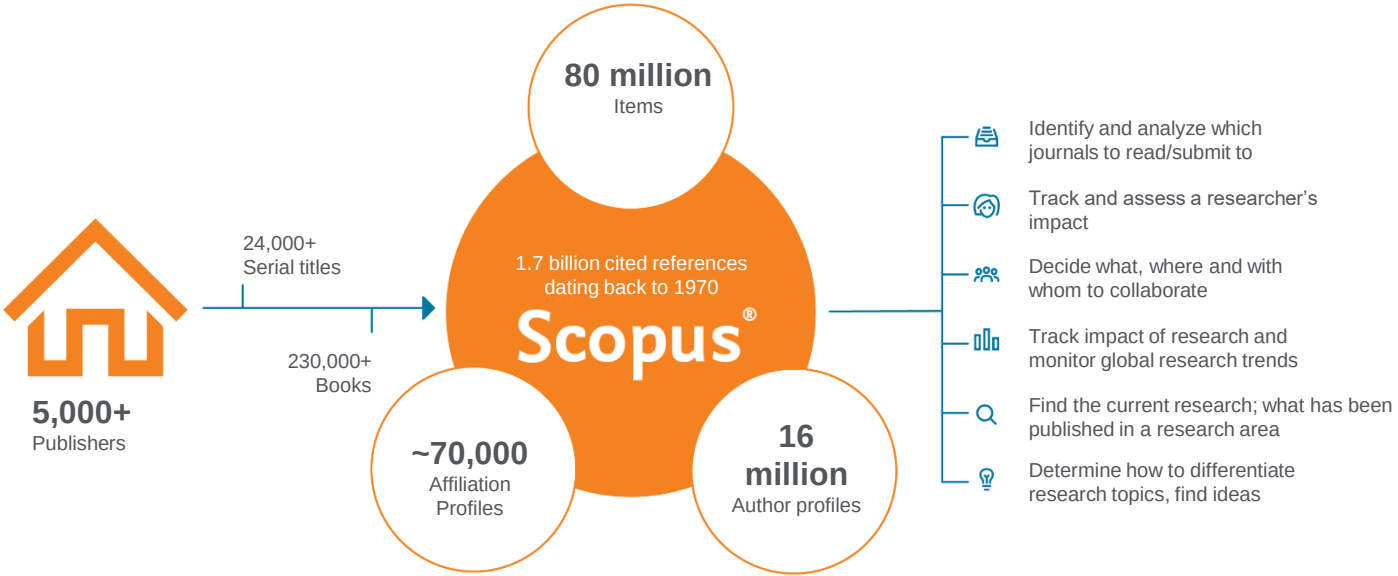
What is Scopus?

Scopus is a source-neutral abstract and citation database curated by independent subject matter experts.



Scopus places powerful discovery and analytics tools in the hands of researchers, librarians, institutional research managers and funders.

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Supporting Researchers

Scopus helps Researchers

- Track their **research performance** to highlight their impact and/or contribution
- Identify and **assess potential research collaborators** or commercial partners
- Identify and assess **reviewers or experts** in a certain field
- **Identify journals** to submit their manuscript to
- **Keep up-to-date with the latest developments** in their own field of research, and other relevant, related topics

Scopus Data

Scopus Data: Leading in Quality and Quantity

A world of data to mine

Scopus delivers all metadata as provided by publishers, including: author(s), affiliation(s), document title, year, electronic identification (EID), source title, volume/issue/pages, citation count(s), source, document type and digital object identifier (DOI).

4.5TB
Data stored in content repository

1.7billion
cited references

70,000
institutional profiles

16million
author profiles

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Scopus Data: The Gold Standard

The Gold Standard

Scopus is recognized for its excellence by

5,000

customers, including

150

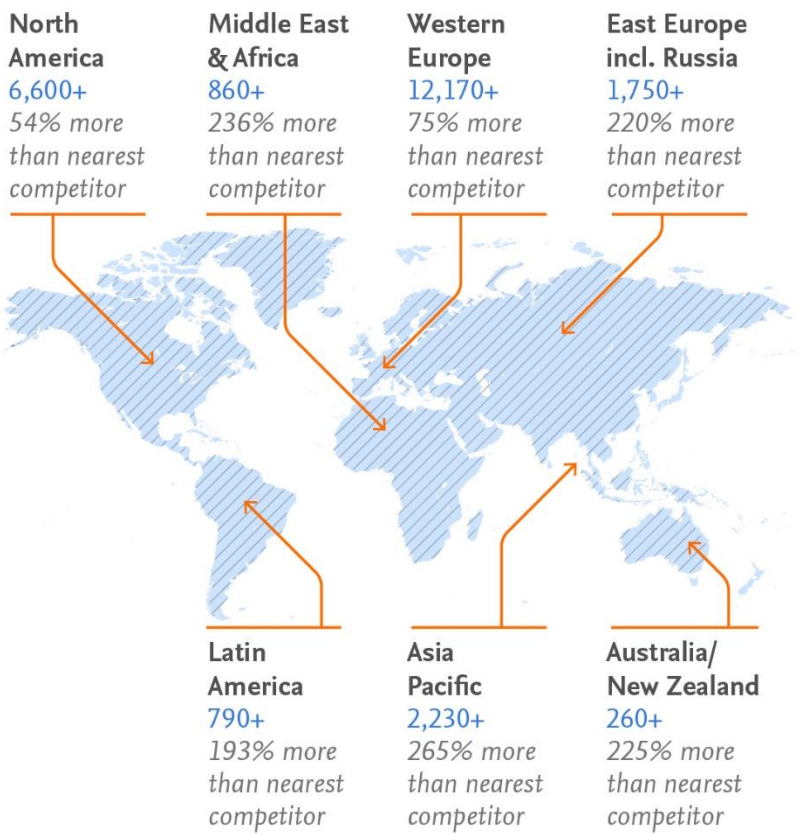
leading research organizations who continue to choose Scopus for research assessment and evaluation purposes over any other competitor.

Global Representation means global discovery

Across all subjects and content types

Global Representation

(number of active titles)



Scopus Coverage Summary (August 2020)

World's Largest Abstract and Citations Database

80M records from **24.3K** serials, **101K+** conferences and **230K** books from more than **5000** publishers in **105** countries

- Updated daily—approximately **10,000** articles per day indexed
- **10.64M** open access documents
- "Articles in Press" from **>8,075** titles
- **40** different languages covered
- **5,859** active Gold Open Access journals indexed

Number of Journals by subject area*	JOURNALS	CONFERENCES	BOOKS	PATENTS*
Physical Sciences 8,529 Health Sciences 7,136 Social Sciences 10,574 Life Sciences 4,915	24,272** active peer-reviewed journals 270 trade journals 5,859 Gold OA Journals (DOAJ/ROAD) 11.2M fully-indexed funding acknowledgements • Full metadata, abstracts and cited references (refs post-1970 only) • Citations back to 1970	101K conference events 10.16M conference papers Mainly Engineering and Computer Sciences	59.7K individual book series volumes 230.2K stand-alone books 1.92M total book items Focus on Social Sciences and A&H	44.3M patents From 5 major patent offices - WIPO - EPO - USPTO - JPO - UK IPO

*Journals may be classified in multiple subject areas: this count includes current actively indexed titles only
**Total number of Scopus journals in database including inactive titles is 40,385

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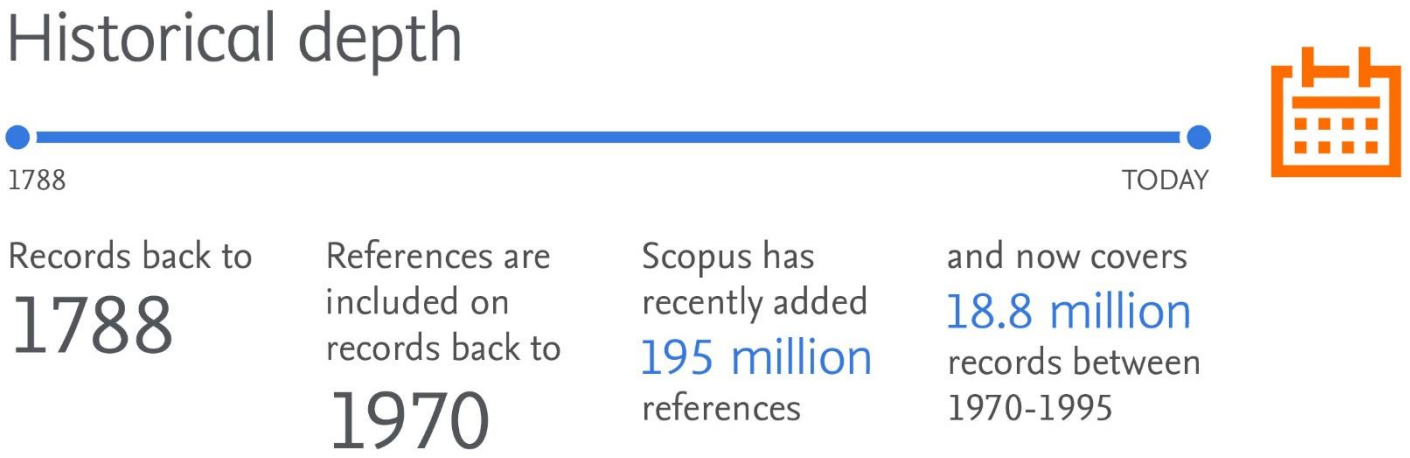
Historical Depth of content, going back to 1788

Scopus has added over **195 million more cited references dating back to 1970,** to complement the database's existing records that date back 1788 and further increase the depth of content.

More cited references results in:

1. more extensive bibliometric and historic trend analysis
2. more complete author profiles
3. improved h-index measures for authors who published prior to 1996



Transparent Scopus selection criteria for serial content

1) All titles should meet all technical criteria in order to be considered for Scopus review:

Peer-review	English abstracts	Regular publication	Roman script references	Publication ethics statement

2) Eligible titles are reviewed by the CSAB according to 14 selection criteria:

Journal Policy	Quality of Content	Journal Standing	Regularity	Online Availability
• Convincing editorial concept/policy • Type of peer-review • Diversity geographic distribution of editors • Diversity geographic distribution of authors	• Academic contribution to the field • Clarity of abstracts • Quality and conformity with stated aims & scope • Readability of articles	• Citedness of journal articles in Scopus • Editor standing	• No delay in publication schedule	• Content available online • English-language journal home page • Quality of home page

Research Metrics

Journal metrics in Scopus

Powered by Scopus

CiteScore™ metrics are the new standard that help to measure journal citation impact.

- **Comprehensive, Transparent, Current and free metrics** for helping to analyze where research outputs are published.
- Calculated using data from Scopus, CiteScore metrics **help validate citations received by journals and proceedings**, and empower users with information to **make well-informed decisions regarding where to publish.**

Source-Normalized Impact per Paper (SNIP)

- Developed by CWTS, University of Leiden Netherlands.
- Measures contextual citation impact by **weighting citations based on the total number of citations in a subject field**.
- The impact of a single citation is given higher value in subject areas where citations are less likely, and vice versa.

SCImago Journal Rank (SJR)

- Developed by SCImago, Spain.
- **A prestige metric** that can be applied to journals, book series and conference proceedings.
- With SJR, the subject field, quality and reputation of the journal have a direct effect on the value of a citation.

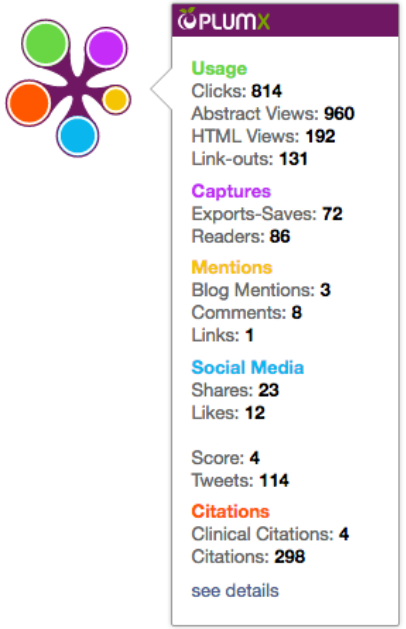
Article-level metrics in Scopus: PlumX

Compare Like with Like

PlumX Metrics are comprehensive, item-level metrics that provide insights into the ways people interact with individual pieces of research output:

- Visualizes scholarly engagement
- Includes 5 categories of metrics
- Designed to communicate engagement without a score

PlumX in Scopus:



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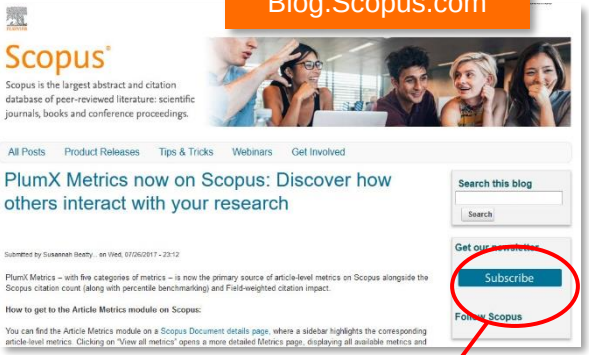

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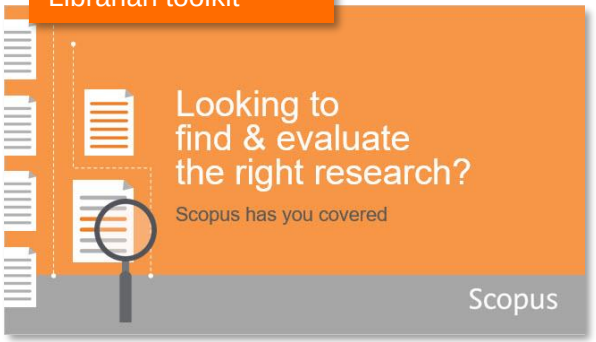

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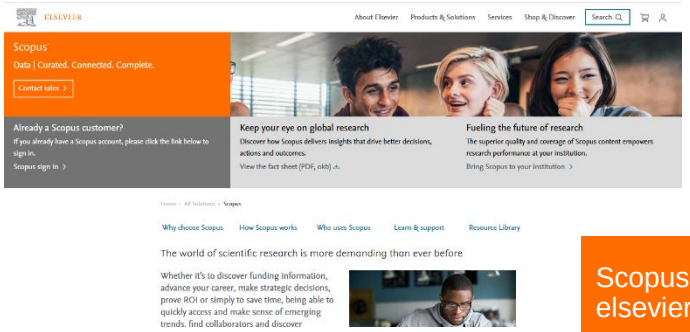

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