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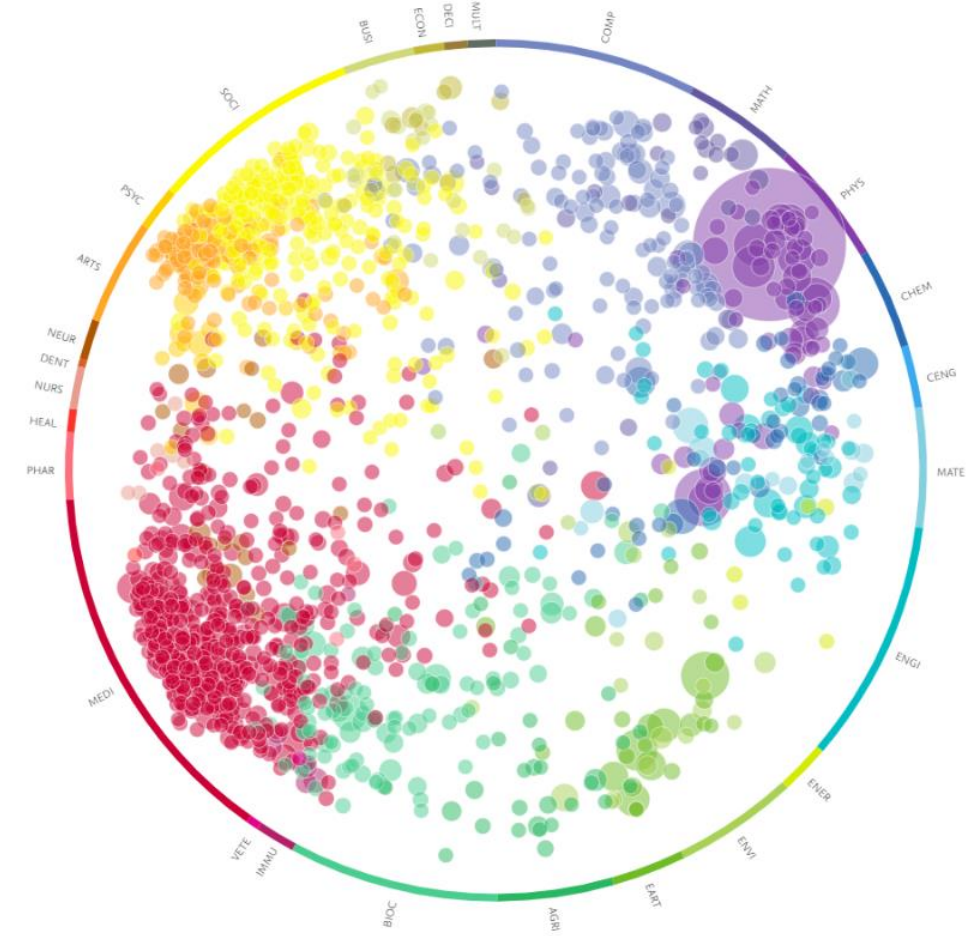
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Agenda

- SciVal Refresher
- Predictive analytics in SciVal
 - Topic Prominence description
- Practical applications of SciVal data and metrics
- Q & A

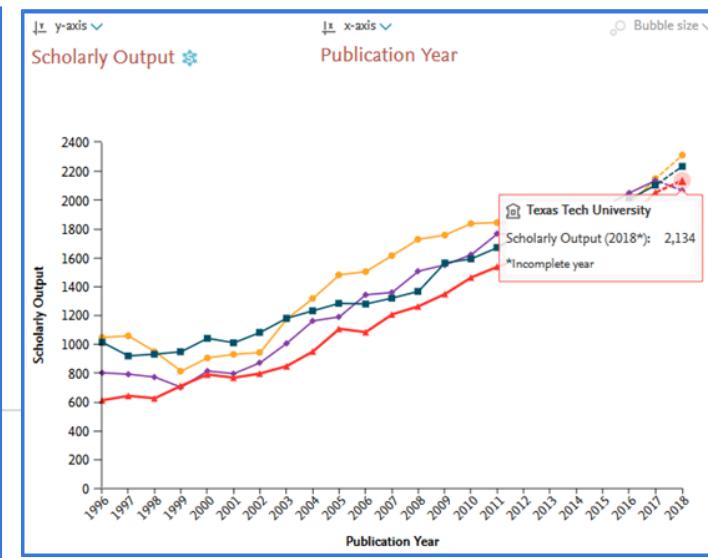
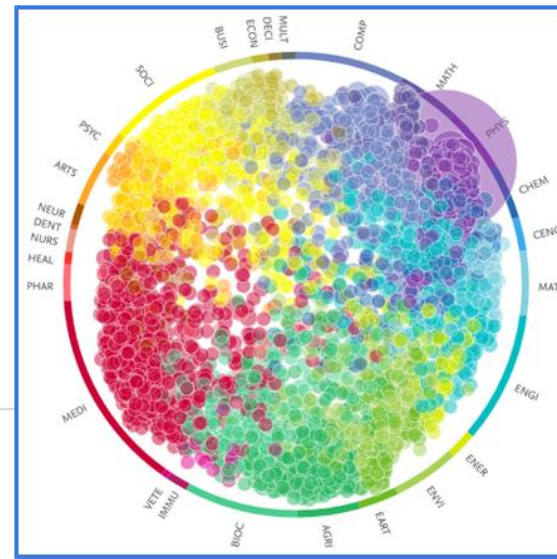
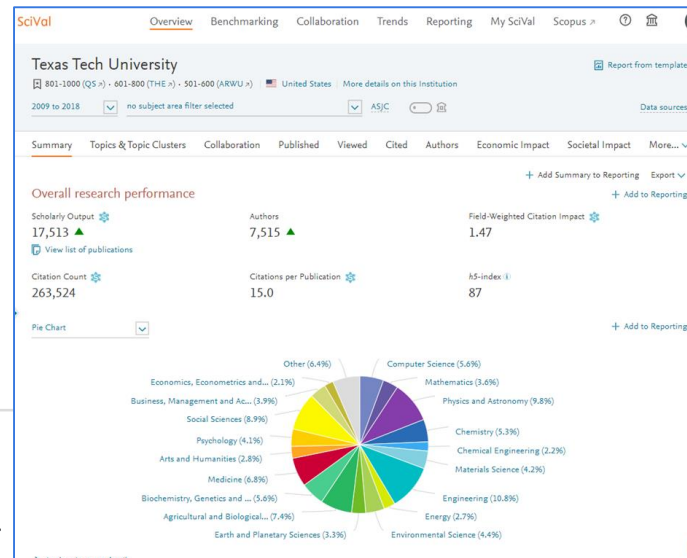


Elsevier Research Intelligence Portfolio

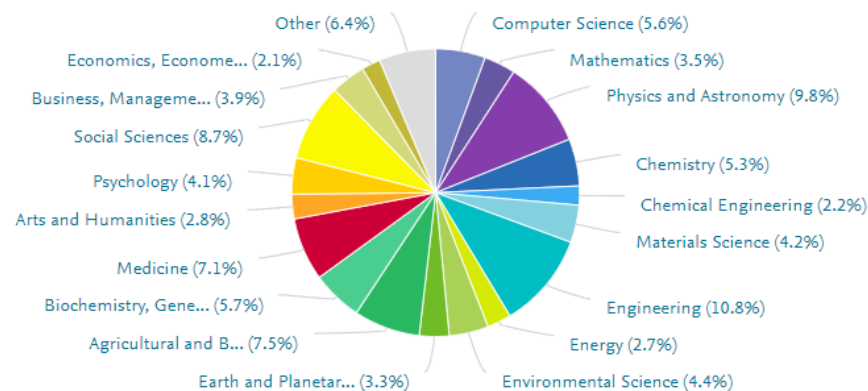
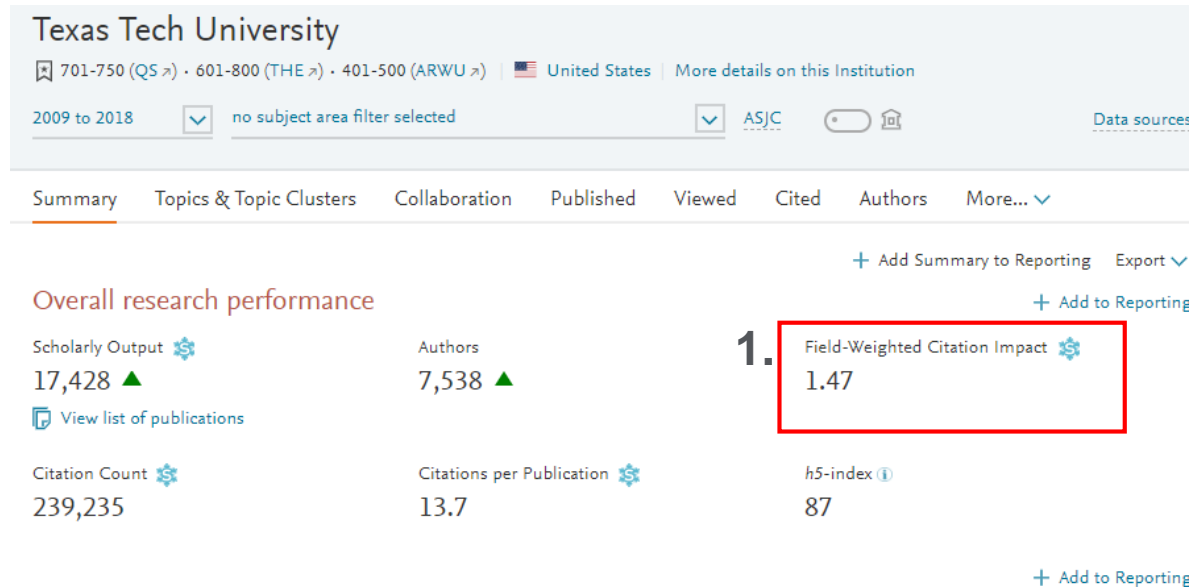


SciVal is an analytical tool that allows you to:

- Characterize research portfolio for any profiled Academic/Corporate/Government entity
- Benchmark performance against any set of peers
- Find top performers/rising stars in research fields
- Aid in research planning and analysis:
 - Pinpoint the research areas where your institution excels
 - Find out which areas your peers and competitors are active in
 - Identify research topics that are likely to be well funded

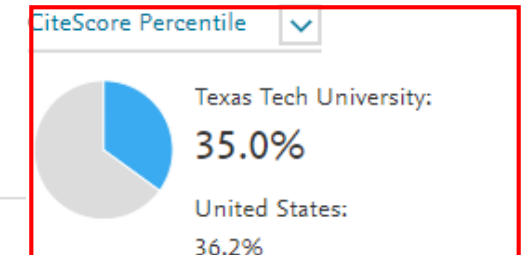
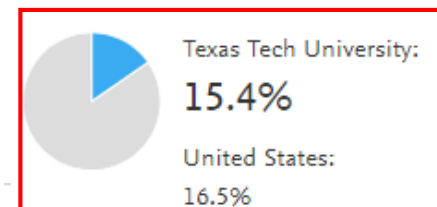


Metrics Highlights



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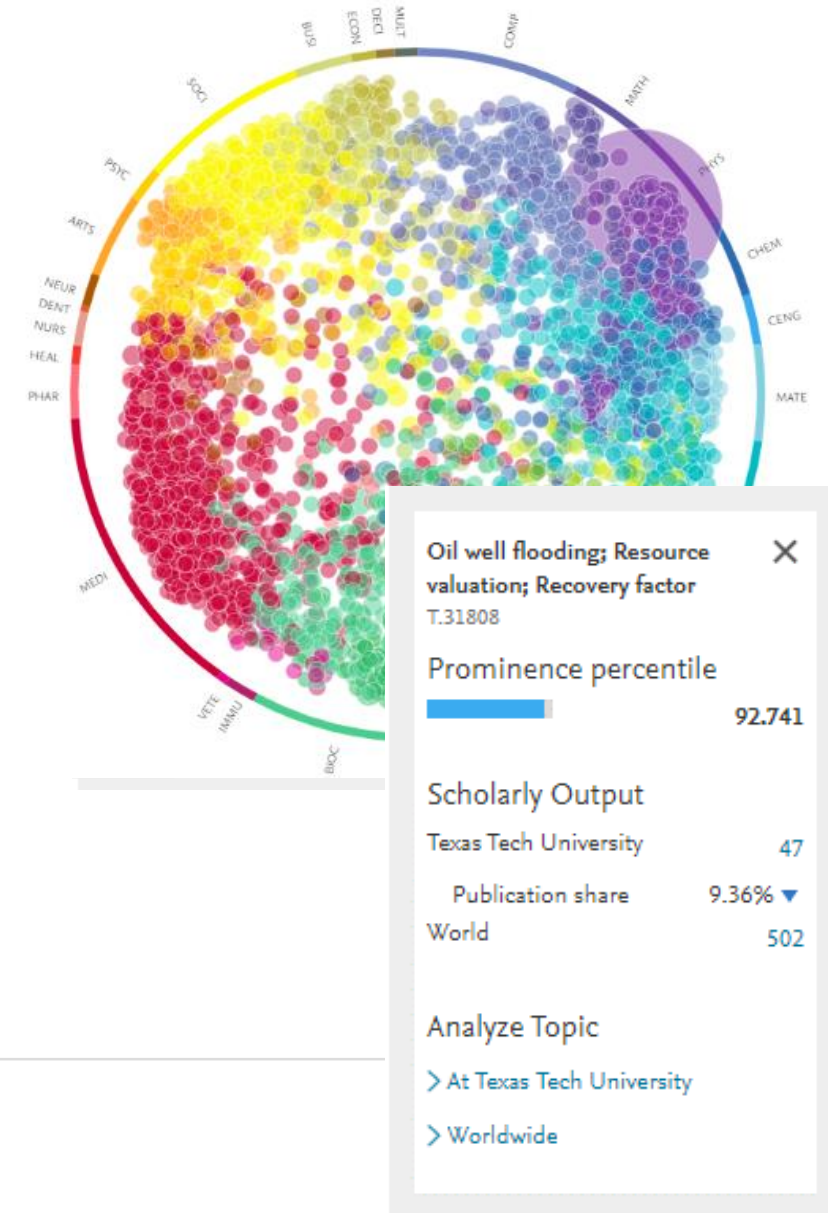
Topics of Prominence: Predictive Analytics

Use Topics of Prominence to:

- * Tell the story of your research focus.
- * Highlight areas of significant research contributions.
- * Evaluate your position relative to others

Introducing Topic Prominence

- Users needed a more granular way to group research topics:
- One of the most common categorization methods is based on the publication's journal subject areas
 - Scopus has 334 ASJC categories
- Other groupings have to be created by the user, which is very unstructured
 - e.g. Research Areas in SciVal
- But what if we could help the user find their topics of interest at a much more granular level?



A powerful tool to build a progressive and resilient research portfolio

Topic Prominence in Science:

Moving beyond evaluation and benchmarking to research planning and analysis

...Help users

Identify pockets of **well funded research** in the **research portfolio**

Find the **top performers** and **rising stars** in those areas for recruitment, tenure and collaboration

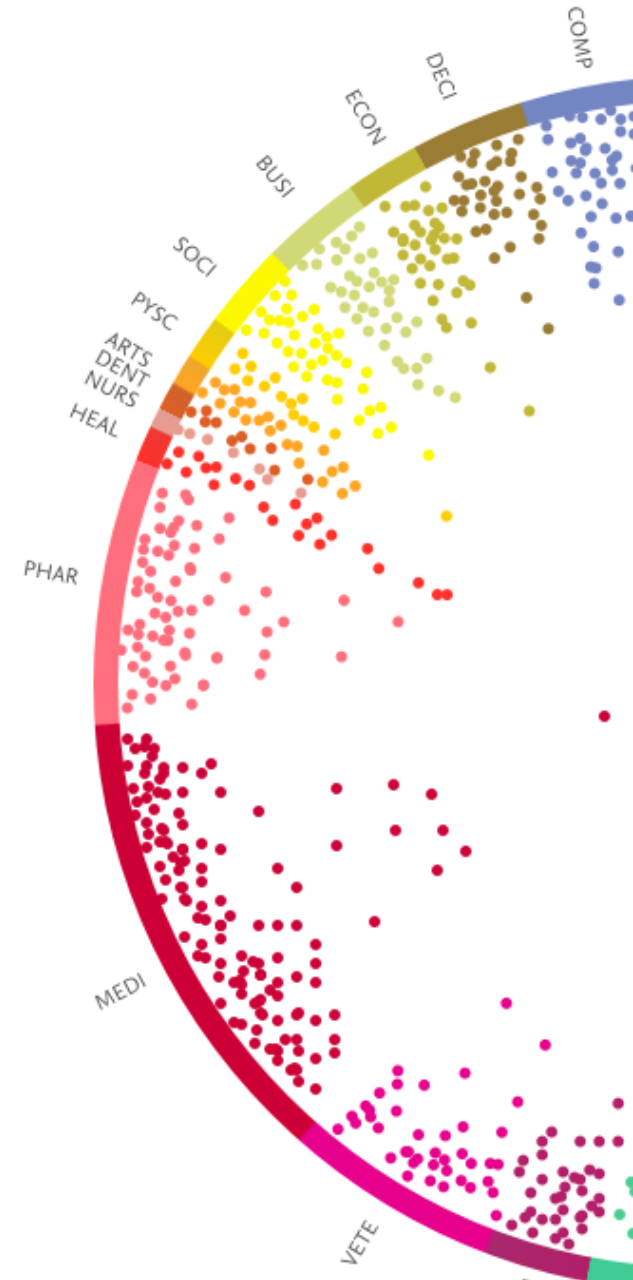
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Identify which topics other researchers and universities are active in that have high momentum

...and uncover the impact

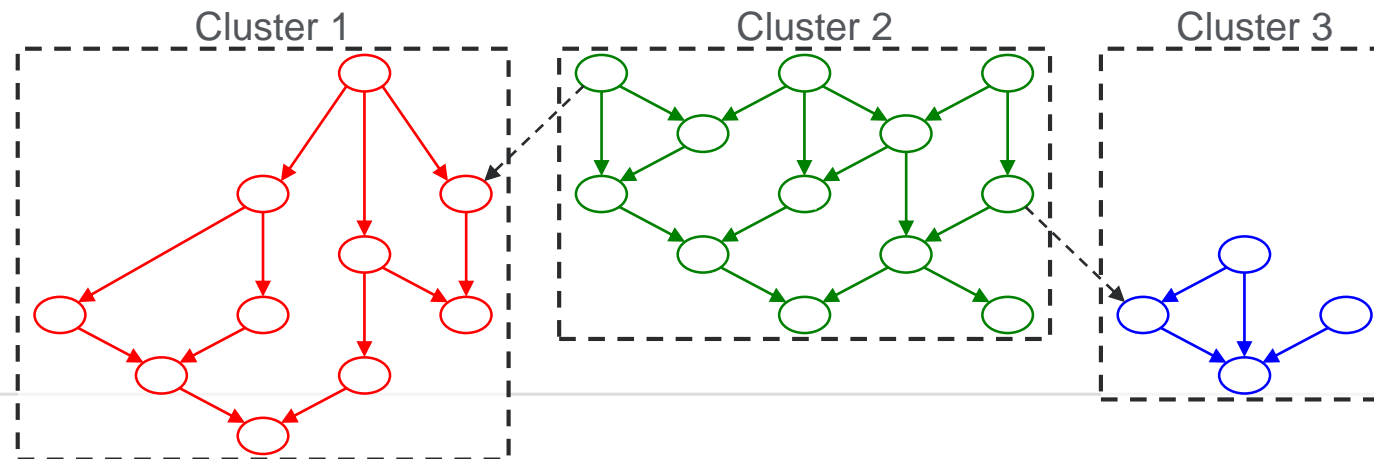
Solution – Topic Prominence

- We have identified ~96,000 global research topics by clustering all of Scopus and ranked them by Prominence.
- Prominence is a new indicator that shows the current momentum of a topic by looking at **very recent citations, views** and **CiteScore** values.
- **Prominence = momentum** (not the same as importance!).
- **Prominence predicts funding** – helps researchers and research managers identify topics in which funding will increase.



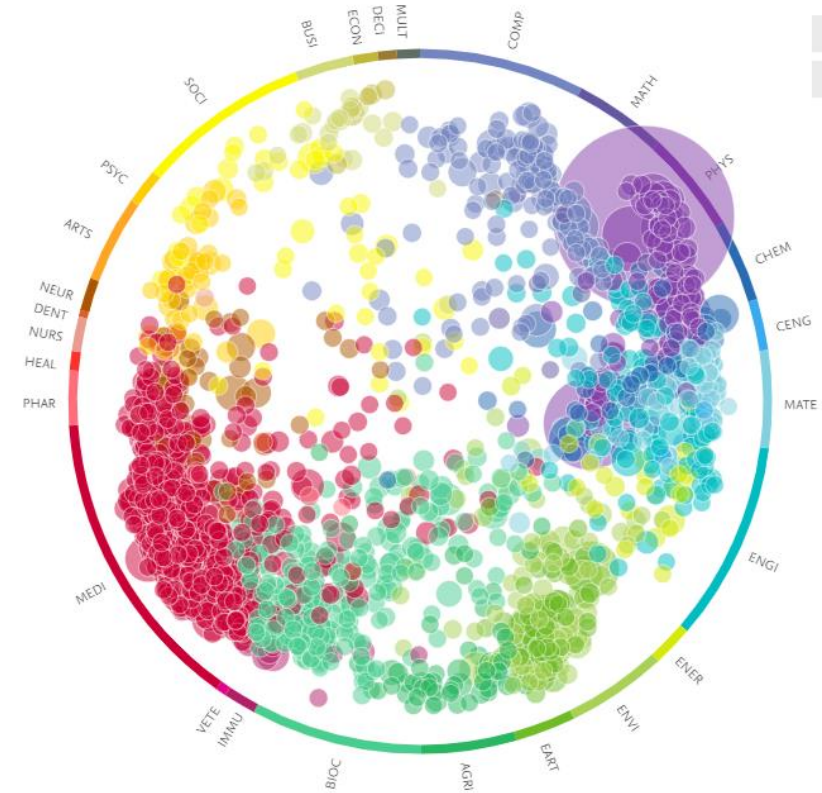
How are “Topics” identified

- All Scopus publications are clustered into topics using citation links
- ~46 million publications (1996-present) in ~96,000 topics
- Clustering is done using algorithms that
 - Divide the documents into groups
 - Have a resolution parameter where increasing the resolution increases the number of clusters and reduces cluster sizes
 - Maximize the links within clusters and minimize the links between clusters



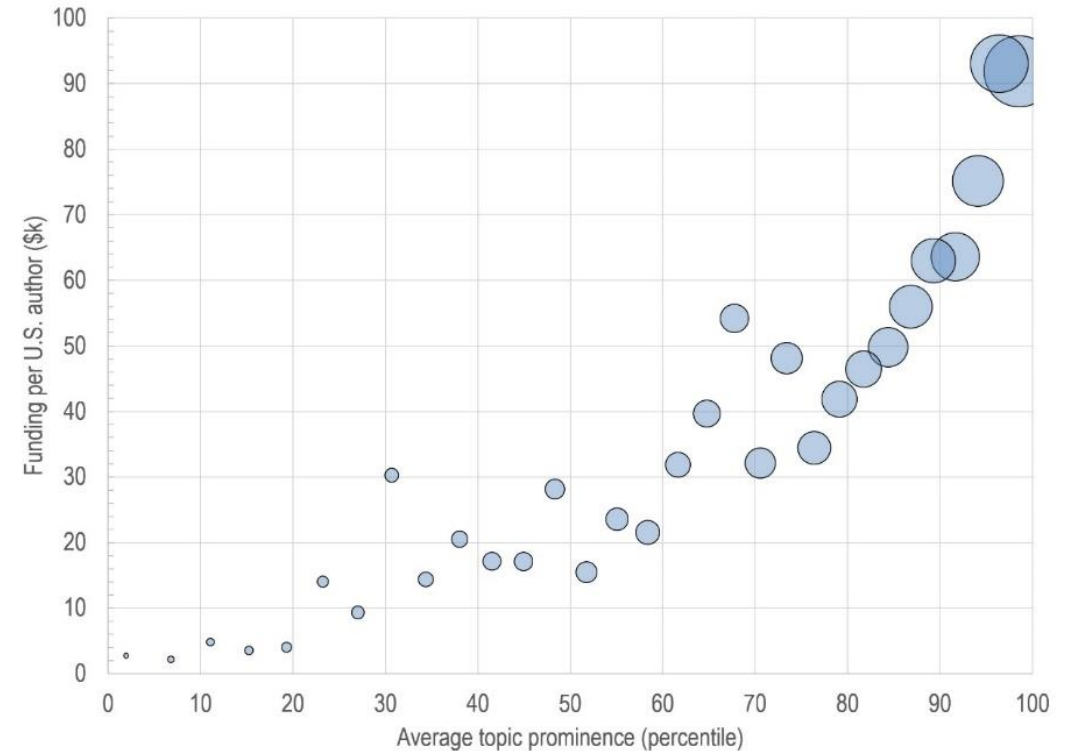
Prominence Indicator:

- Prominence combines 3 metrics to indicate the momentum of the topic
 - **Citation Count** in year n to papers published in n and n-1
 - Scopus **Views Count** in year n to papers published in n and n-1
 - Average **CiteScore** for year n
- Why call it “Prominence”
 - Prominence \neq Importance (Topics can be important but not prominent)
 - Prominence \sim Visibility




Prominence and funding

- Grant data (314K grants, \$203 billion) from STAR METRICS database were assigned to topics using textual similarity
- Dependent variable = Funding per topic 2011-2013
- Prominence + Funding (2008-2010) together explain 66% of the variance

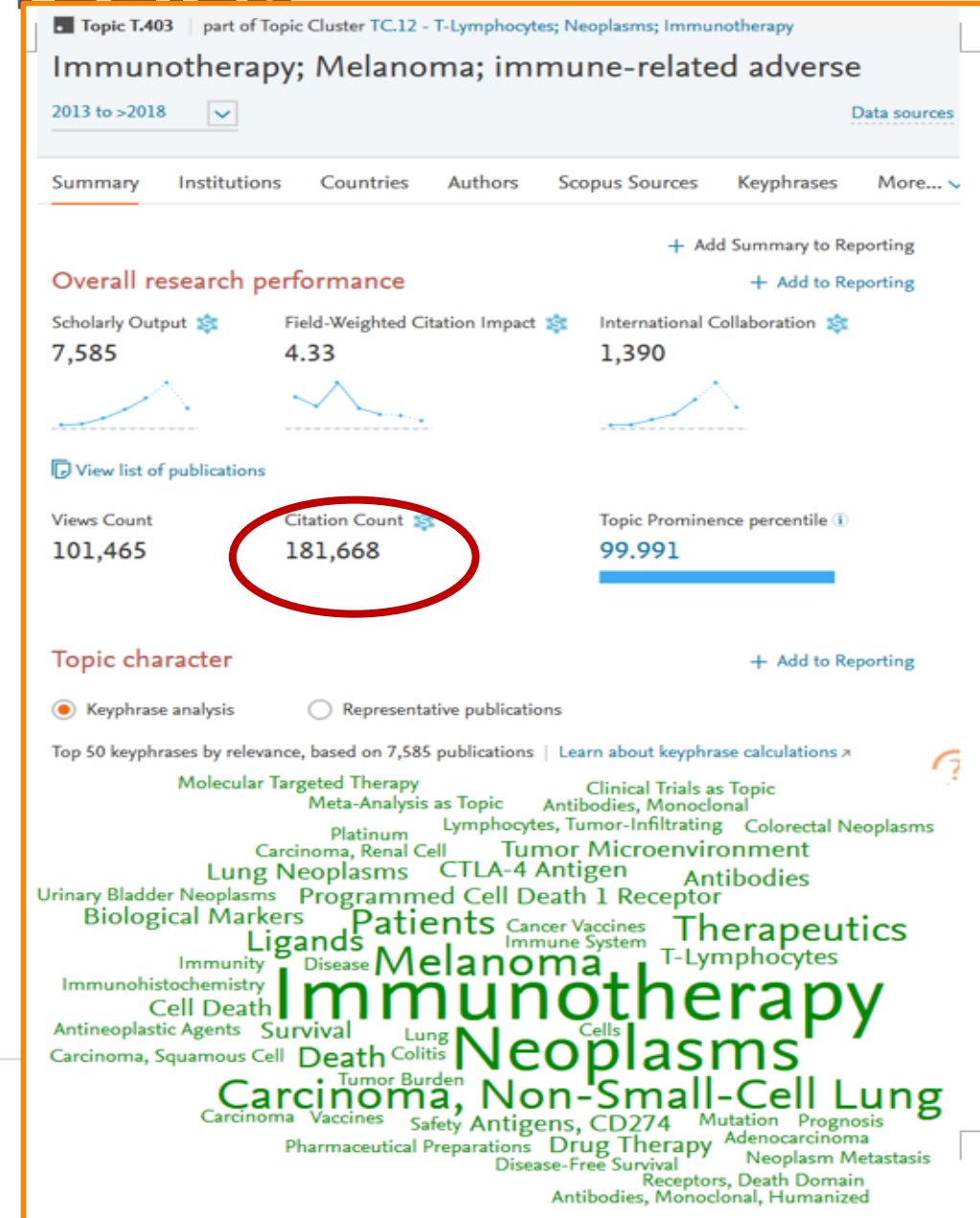
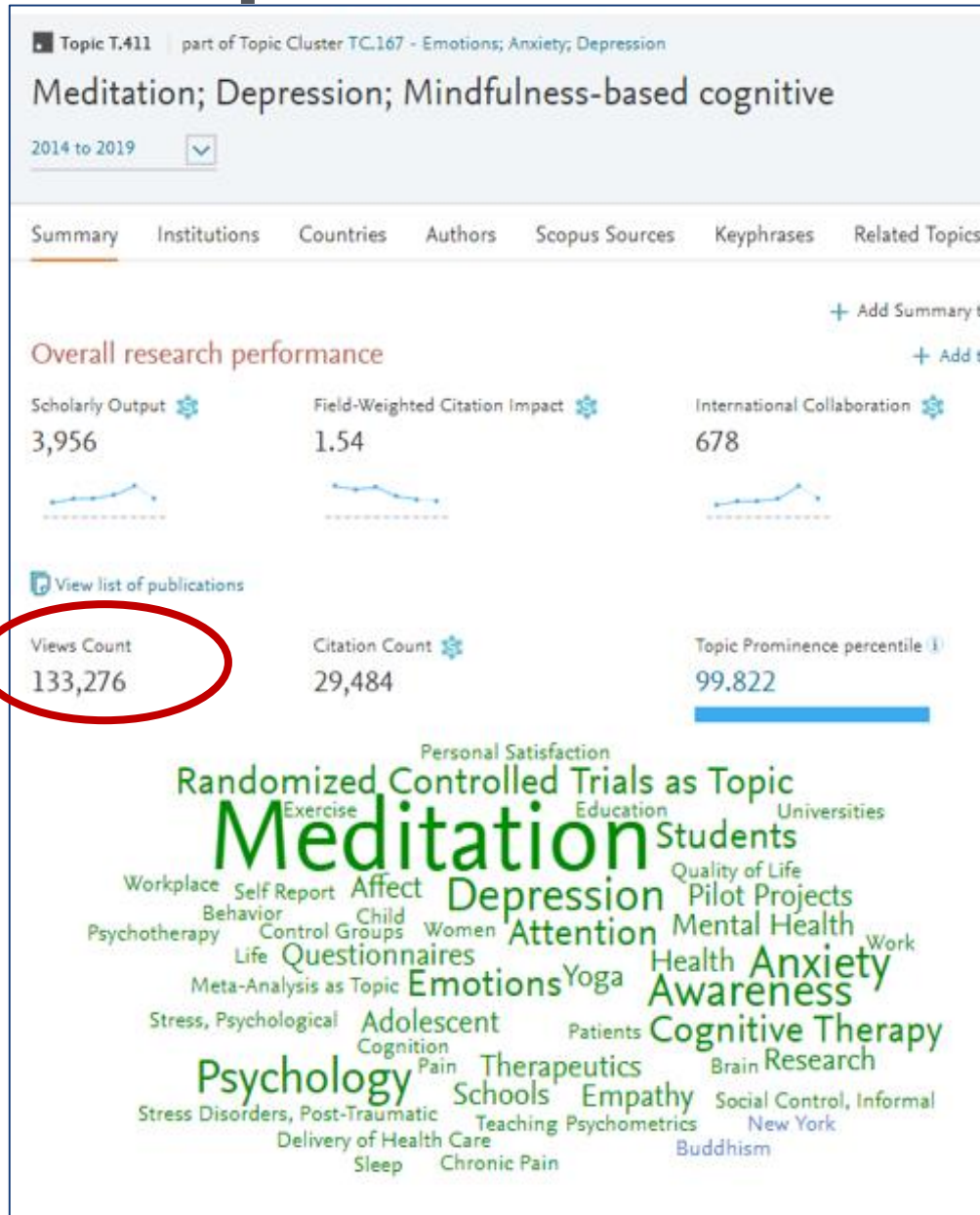


What is a Topic?

- **A cluster of documents with a common intellectual interest**
 - Instantly recognizable by researchers
 - **Easy to interpret**
 - Articles that cite each other are generally in the same topic
 - **Accurate** problem-level subdivisions of science
 - We use the most accurate clustering methods available
 - **Nearly complete coverage**
 - Papers from 1996-
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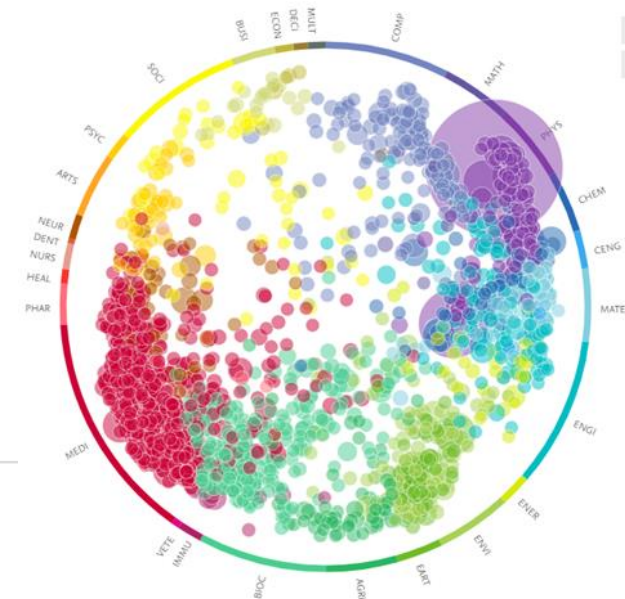


Examples of Prominent Topics

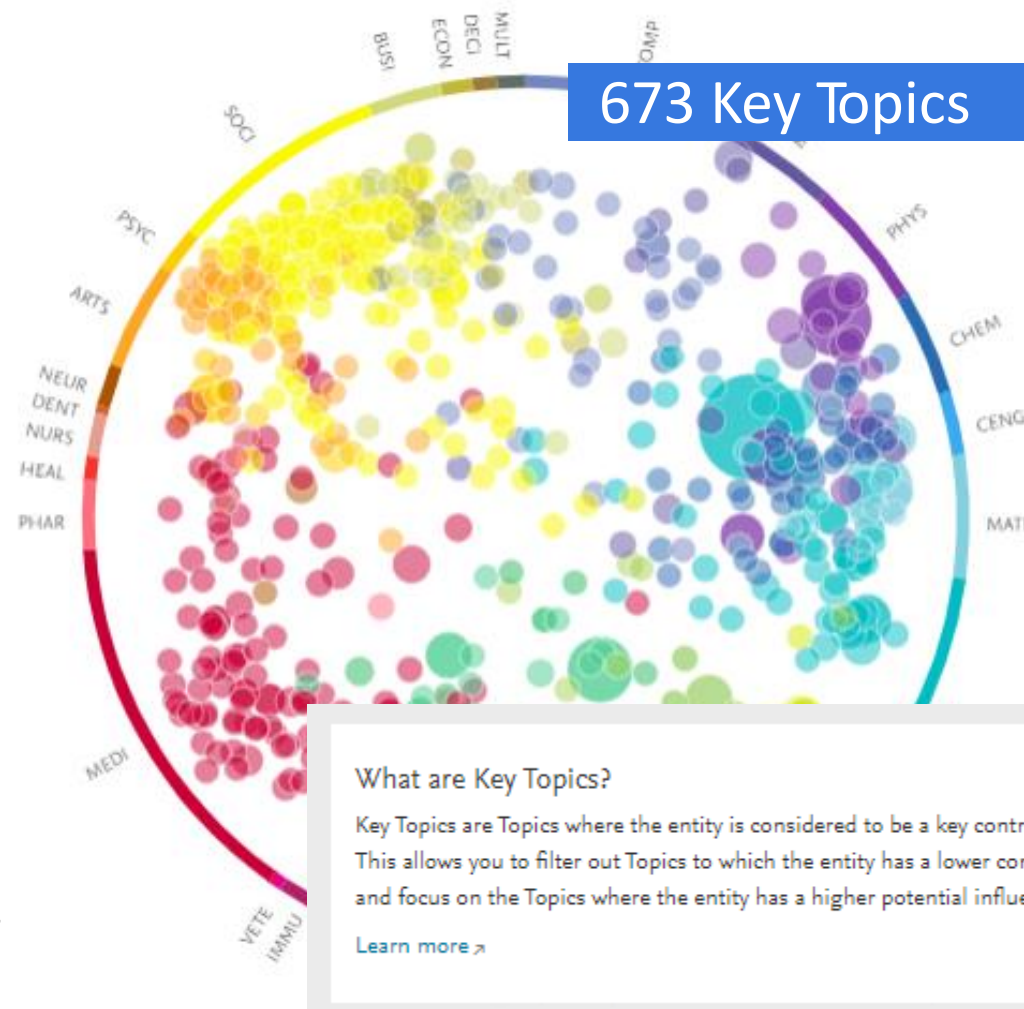
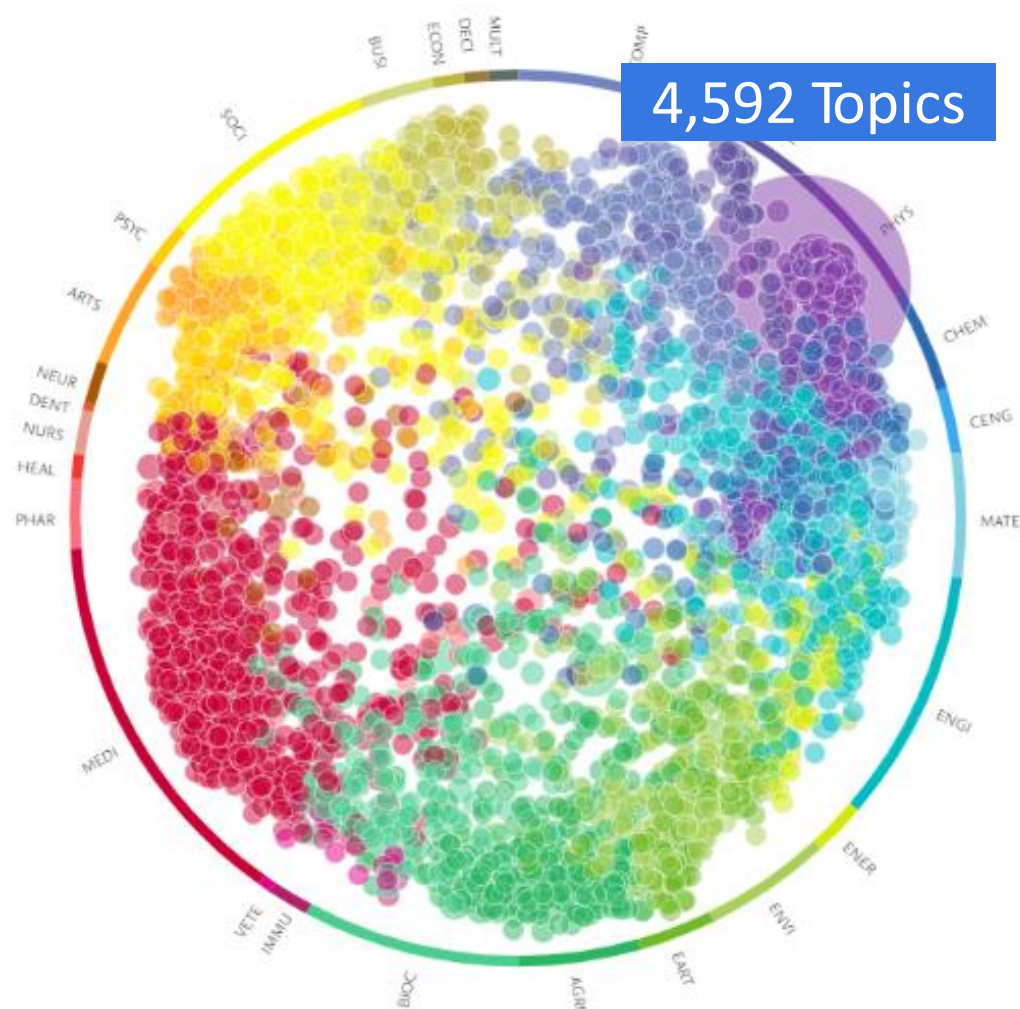


What can you do with Topics?

1. Help your researchers and faculty identify funding opportunity areas
2. Assess which research areas to invest in:
 - Identify top researchers for **recruitment** or **collaboration**
 - Find top institutions to partner with
 - Retain** your best researchers
3. Help you showcase your achievements
 - To taxpayers and stakeholders
 - To funding agencies
 - To potential collaboration partners



Key Topics



What are Key Topics?

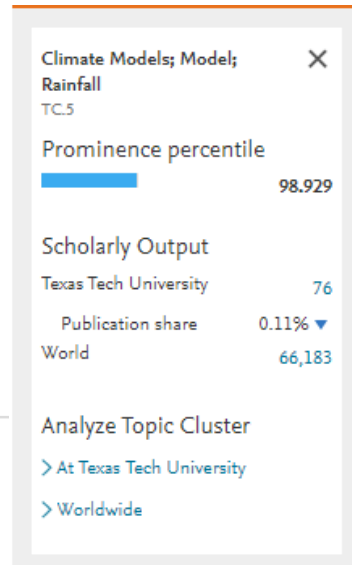
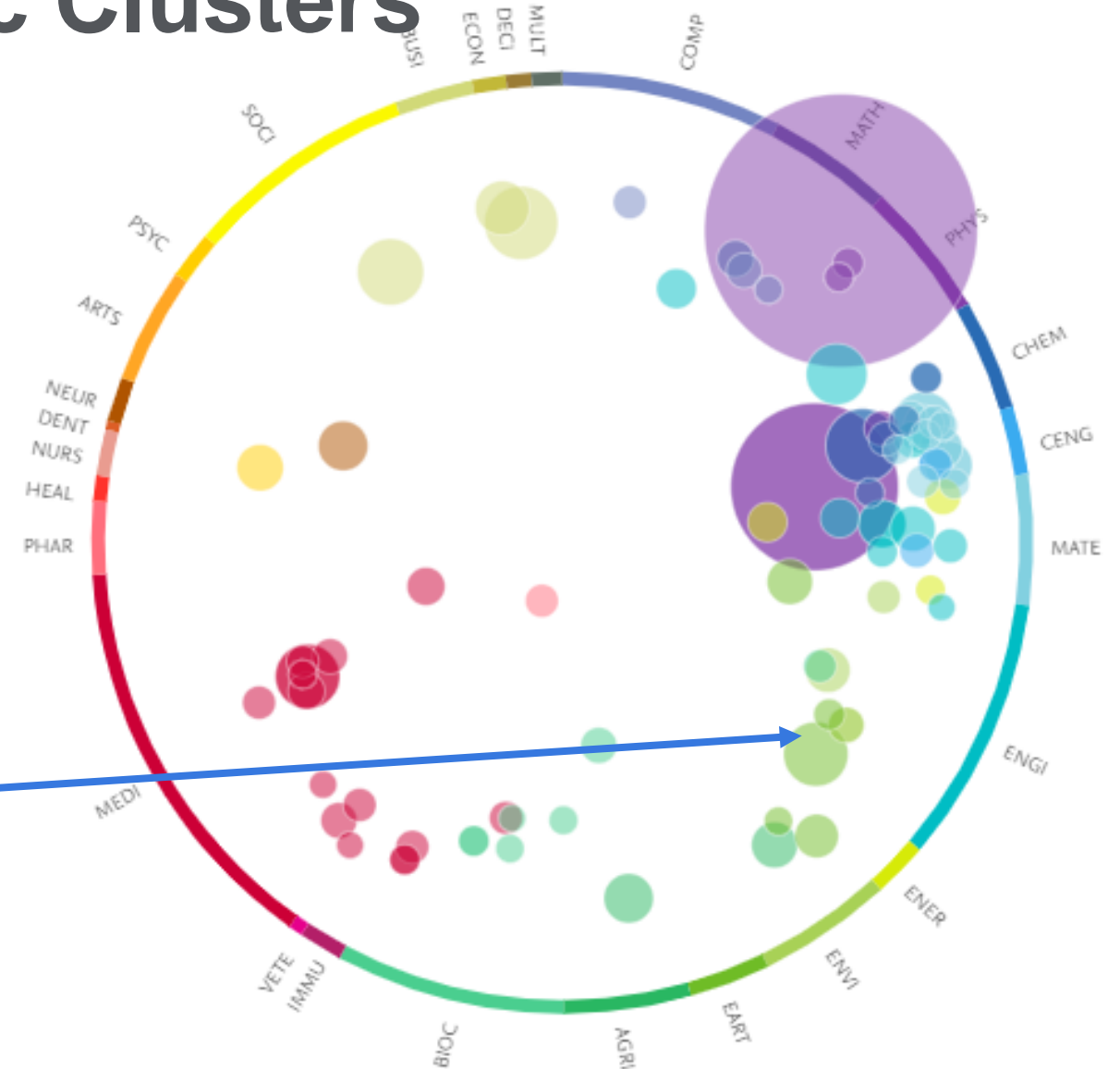
Key Topics are Topics where the entity is considered to be a key contributor. This allows you to filter out Topics to which the entity has a lower contribution and focus on the Topics where the entity has a higher potential influence.

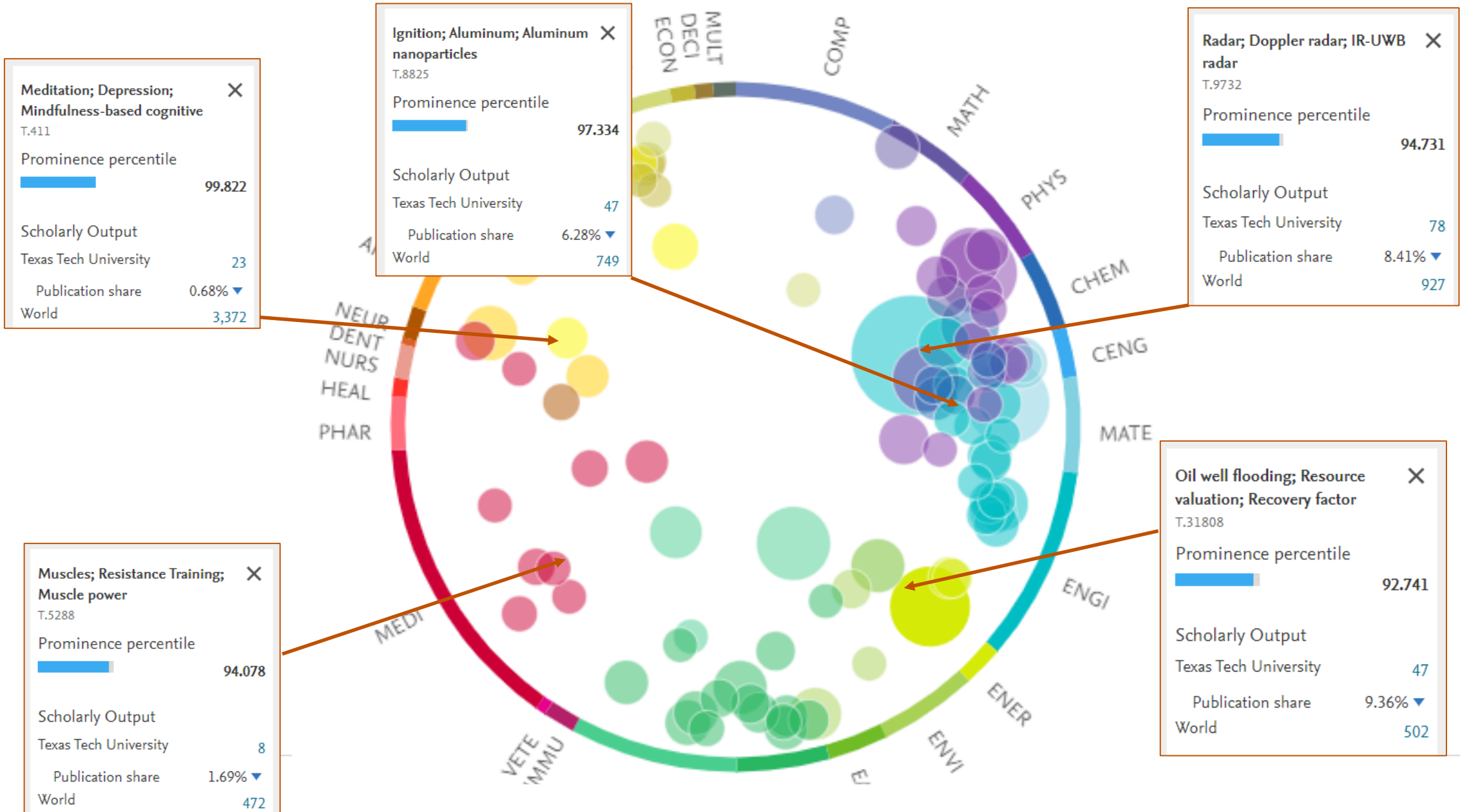
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Introduced in 2019: Topic Clusters

Formed by aggregating **Topics** with similar research interest together to form a broader, higher-level area of research.

Top 5% Topic Clusters





TTU Top 100 Key Research Topics

Topics in Scopus


- For docs from 1996-
- Each document belongs to one Topic
- Books and book chapters also have topics

Environmental Earth Sciences

Volume 71, Issue 6, 2014, Pages 2491-2501

Standardized precipitation evaporation index (SPEI)-based drought assessment in semi-arid south Texas (Article)

Hernandez, E.A. , Uddameri, V. 


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Abstract

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The coastal semi-arid region of south Texas is known for its erratic climate that fluctuates between long periods of drought and extremely wet hurricane-induced storms. The standard precipitation index (SPI) and the standard precipitation evaporation index (SPEI) were used in this study in conjunction with precipitation and temperature projections from two general circulation models (GCMs), namely, the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) Parallel Climate Model (PCM) and the UK Meteorological Office Hadley Centre model (HCM) for two emission scenarios-A1B (~720 ppm CO₂ stabilization) and B1 (~550 ppm CO₂ stabilization) at six major urban centers of south Texas spanning five climatic zones. Both the models predict a progressively increasing aridity of the region throughout the twenty-first century. The SPI exhibits greater variability in the available moisture during the first half of the twenty-first century while the SPEI depicts a downward trend caused by increasing temperature. However, droughts during the latter half of the twenty-first century are due to both increasing temperature and decreasing precipitation. These results suggest that droughts during the first half of the twenty-first century are likely caused by meteorological demands (temperature or potential evapotranspiration (PET) controlled), while those during the latter half are likely to be more critical as they curtail moisture supply to the region over large periods of time (precipitation and PET controlled). The drought effects are more pronounced for the A1B scenario than the B1 scenario and while spatial patterns are not always consistent, the effects are generally felt more strongly in the hinterlands than in coastal areas. The projected increased warming of the region, along with potential decreases in precipitation, points toward increased reliance on groundwater resources which are noted to be a buffer against droughts. However, there is a need for human adaptation to climate change, a greater commitment to groundwater conservation and development of large-scale regional aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) facilities that are capable of long-term storage in order to sustain groundwater availability. Groundwater resource managers and planners must confront the possibility of an increased potential for prolonged (multi-year) droughts and develop innovative strategies that effectively integrate water augmentation technologies and conservation-oriented policies to ensure the sustainability of aquifer resources well into the next century. © 2013 Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg.

SciVal Topic Prominence 

Topic: [Drought](#) | [Stream flow](#) | [Evapotranspiration index](#)

Prominence percentile: 99.361  



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Identify institutional research strengths

Topics & Topic Clusters

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Between 2014 to 2018, researchers at Texas Tech University have contributed to:

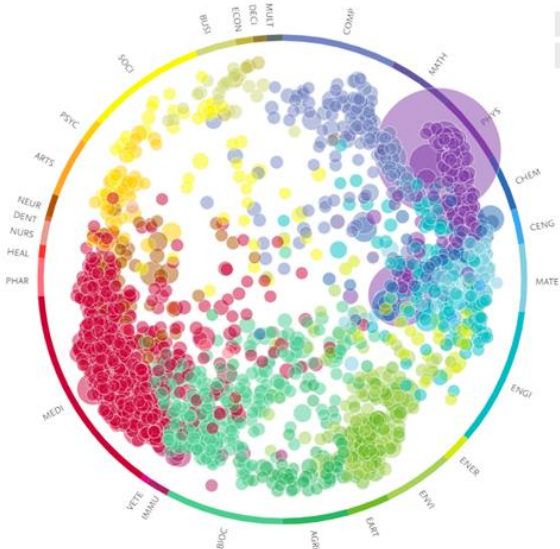
- ☐ 1,096 Topic Clusters | [Learn about Topics and Topic Clusters](#)
- ☒ 4,592 Topics
- ☐ only show the 673 Key Topics for this Institution

Table Wheel

Top 5% of worldwide Topics by Prominence


[Filter by keyphrase\(s\)](#)

Topic	At this Institution			Worldwide	
	Scholarly Output 	Publication Share	Field-Weighted Citation Impact	Prominence percentile	
Ignition; Aluminum; Aluminum nanoparticles T.8825	47	6.28%	0.85	97.334	
Supersymmetry; Collisions; Squark pair T.23456	45	12.53%	3.89	95.678	
Polysaccharides; Glycosylation; Glycosylation sites T.1551	39	3.26%	1.86	99.374	
Gravitational waves; Neutron stars; Electromagnetic counterparts T.8569	33	2.87%	28.88	99.896	
Gravitational waves; LIGO (observatory); Stochastic gravitational-wave	28	10.49%	4.77	96.749	




Compare institutions' research strengths

Top 100 Topics in this Institution group, by Scholarly Output

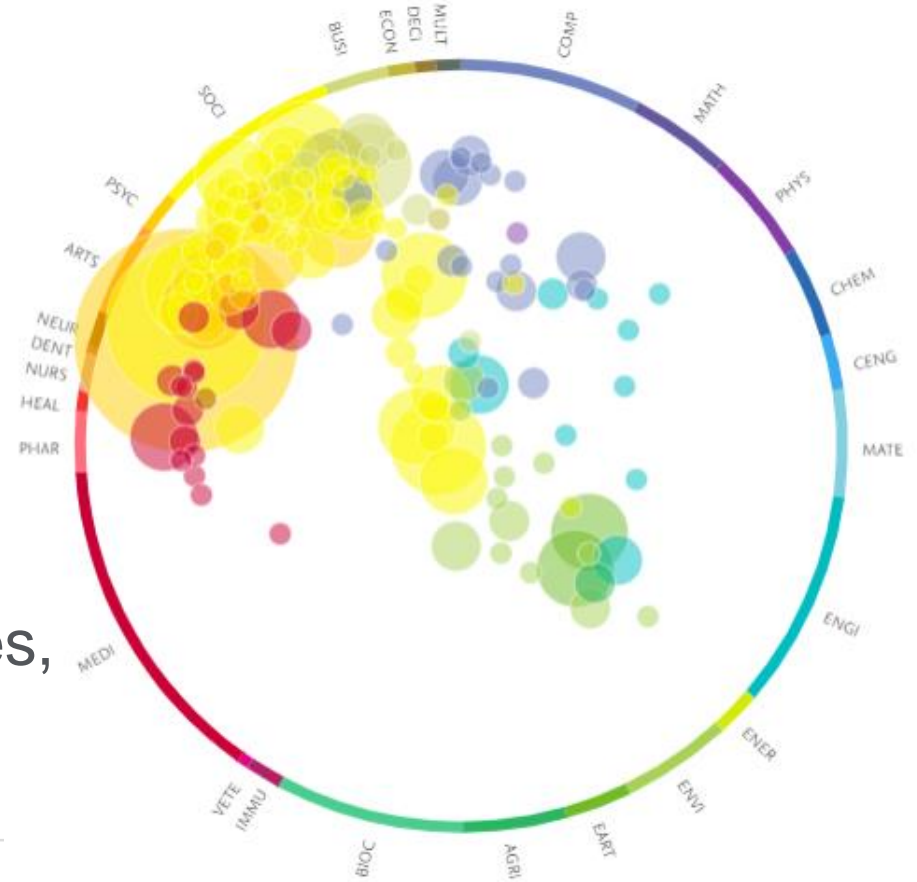
View the [Scholarly Output](#) ☒ by Institution group member, by Topic 0  1,208

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Topic	Scholarly Output 	Prominence Percentile	Texas State University	Texas Tech University	University of Houston	University of North Texas	University of Texas at Arlington	University of Texas at Austin	University of Texas at Dallas	University of Texas at El Paso
Galaxies; Stars; Planets TC.1	2,387	99.264	4	284	10	27	49	1,208	44	5
Decay; Quarks; Neutrinos TC.6	2,281	98.394	0	496	443	0	607	876	661	16
Reservoirs (Water); Oil Well Flooding; Hydraulic TC.164	2,112	84.070	0	188	199	1	3	958	2	0
Graphene; Carbon Nanotubes; Nanotubes TC.22	1,913	99.866	18	69	105	97	46	508	290	65
T-Lymphocytes; Neoplasms; Immunotherapy TC.12	1,736	99.665	0	7	17	31	2	197	31	8
Secondary Batteries; Electric	1,593	100.000	23	43	121	47	69	627	111	14

What about Social Sciences & Humanities?

- Topics in SSH are just as valid as topics in STEM – this visualization shows UCIs key SS topics
- SSH topics are typically smaller and less prominent than STEM topics
- This is OK! Prominence \neq Importance
- Comparisons of topics are best made within fields (e.g., Natural Sciences, Medical Sciences, SSH), rather than between fields



With Topic Prominence we can ...

...Help Researchers

- **Identify topics with high momentum** and most likely **high funding success rates.**
- **Showcase** that they are active in topics with high momentum.
- **Find the best potential co-authors** in those topics.
- **Identify emerging & related topics** with high momentum they should be aware of.

...Help Research managers

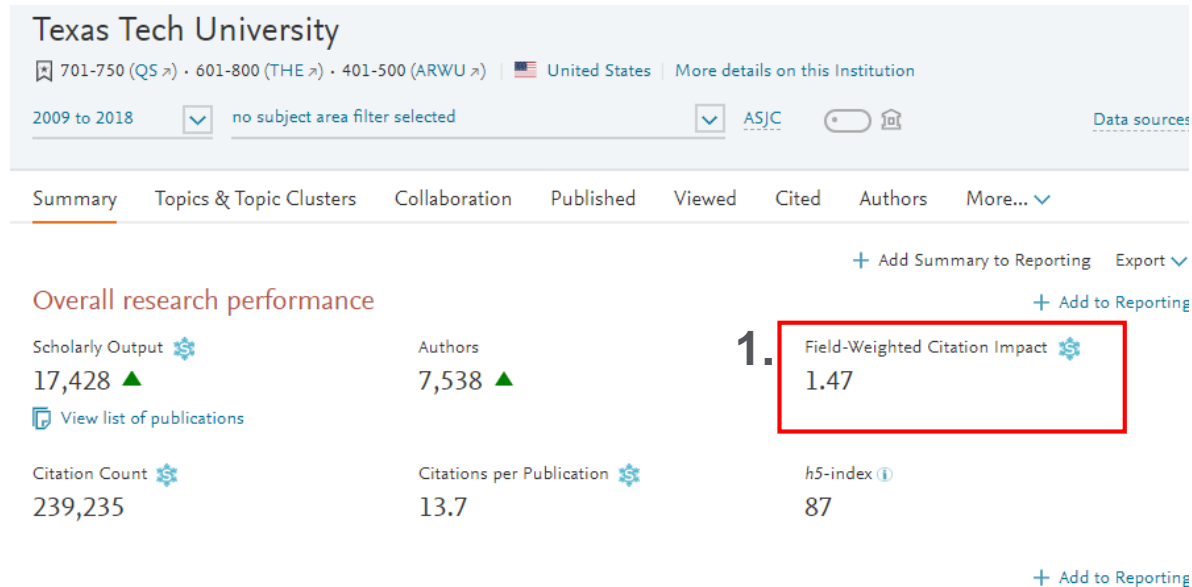
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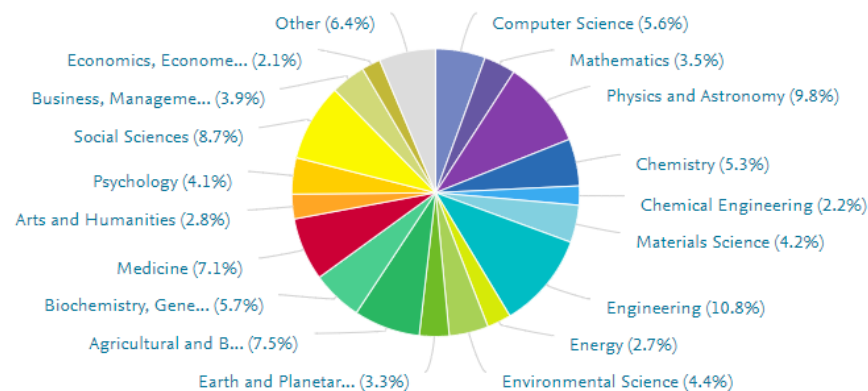
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Hands-on with SciVal

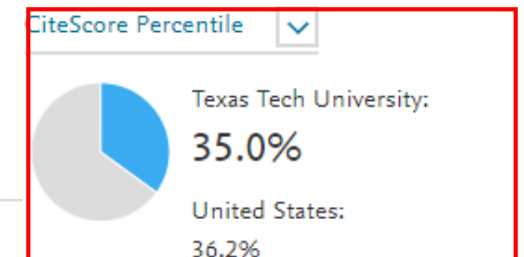
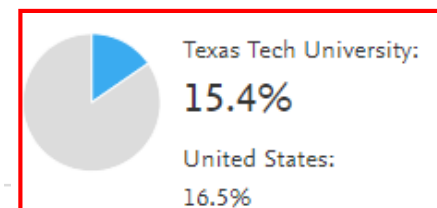
Some key metrics in SciVal Overview



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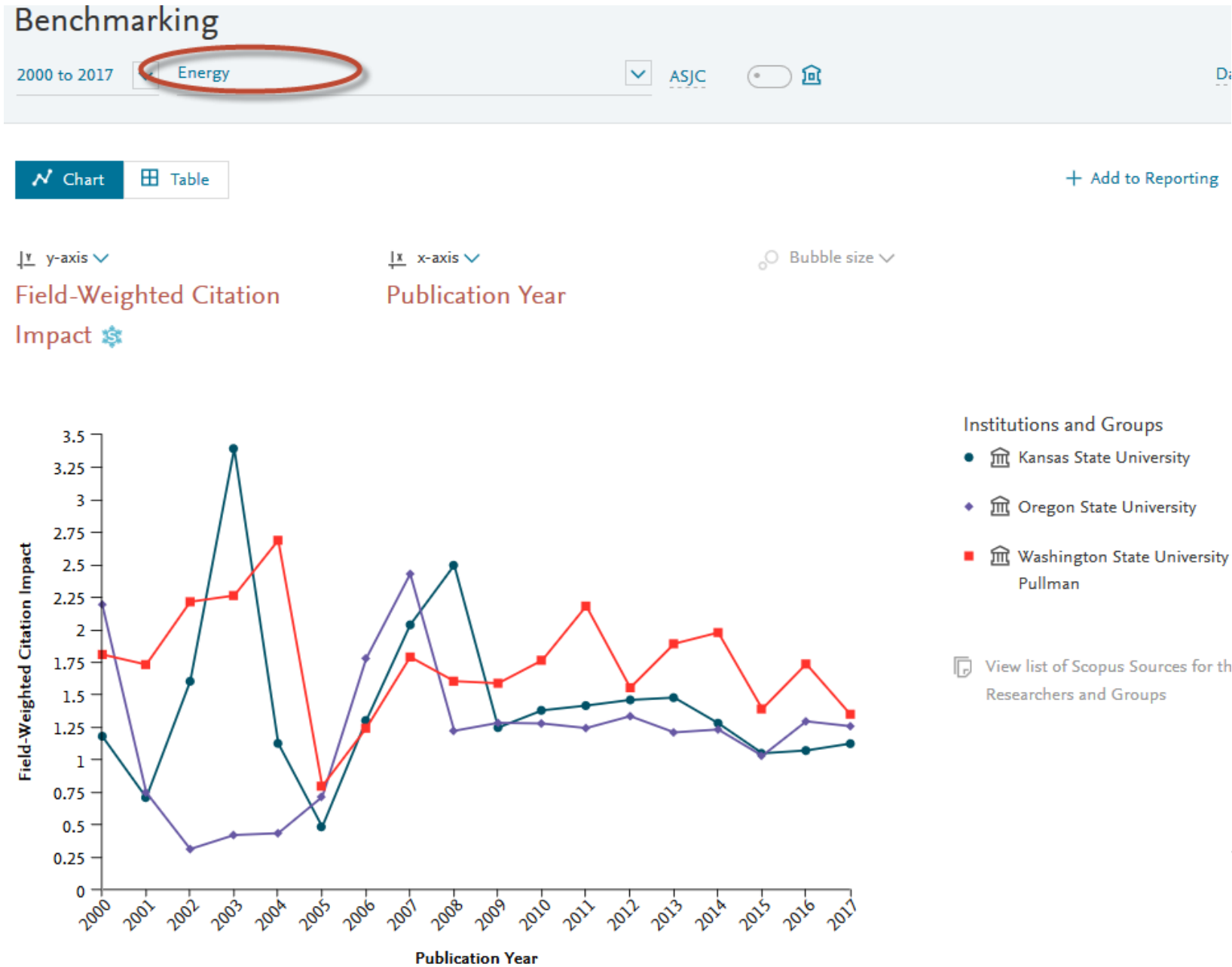


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Benchmark – use filters for a nuanced perspective



FWCI=Field-weighted citation impact

Takes into account – date of pub, field of pub and type of document

A Snowball standardized research impact metric



Create a Report from a template

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- ☐ Researcher Benchmarking Report
- ☐ Researcher Overview and Benchmarking Report
- ☐ Researcher Overview Report
- ☐ Topics Overview Report
- ☐ Topics Trends Report

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Note: Currently you're able to create a report from templates provided by SciVal. We're working on functionality where you can create your own templates.

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Institution Report Overview

Gives the key metrics for a summary of a single institution. Requires the Overview module.

Analyses:

- Overall research performance
- Publications by Subject Area
- Topics
- Topics
- Field-Weighted Citation Impact
- Collaboration
- Academic-Corporate Collaboration
- Top collaborating Institutions
- Output in Top Citation Percentiles (excl. self citations)
- Publications in Top Journal Percentiles by CiteScore Percentile

Note: once a report has been created from a template, you can change, remove and add analyses as you wish

What is the most efficient way to create
or edit a group of researchers?

It depends....

- Does your organization also have Pure?
 - Coordinate with your Pure administrator to port all OR a selection of your departments or colleges to SciVal
- How many researchers and groups?
 - If a few, it may be more efficient to add one-by-one
 - If many, use a spreadsheet (templates available)
 - Lots of resources to support you!
 - [SciVal Support Center](#)

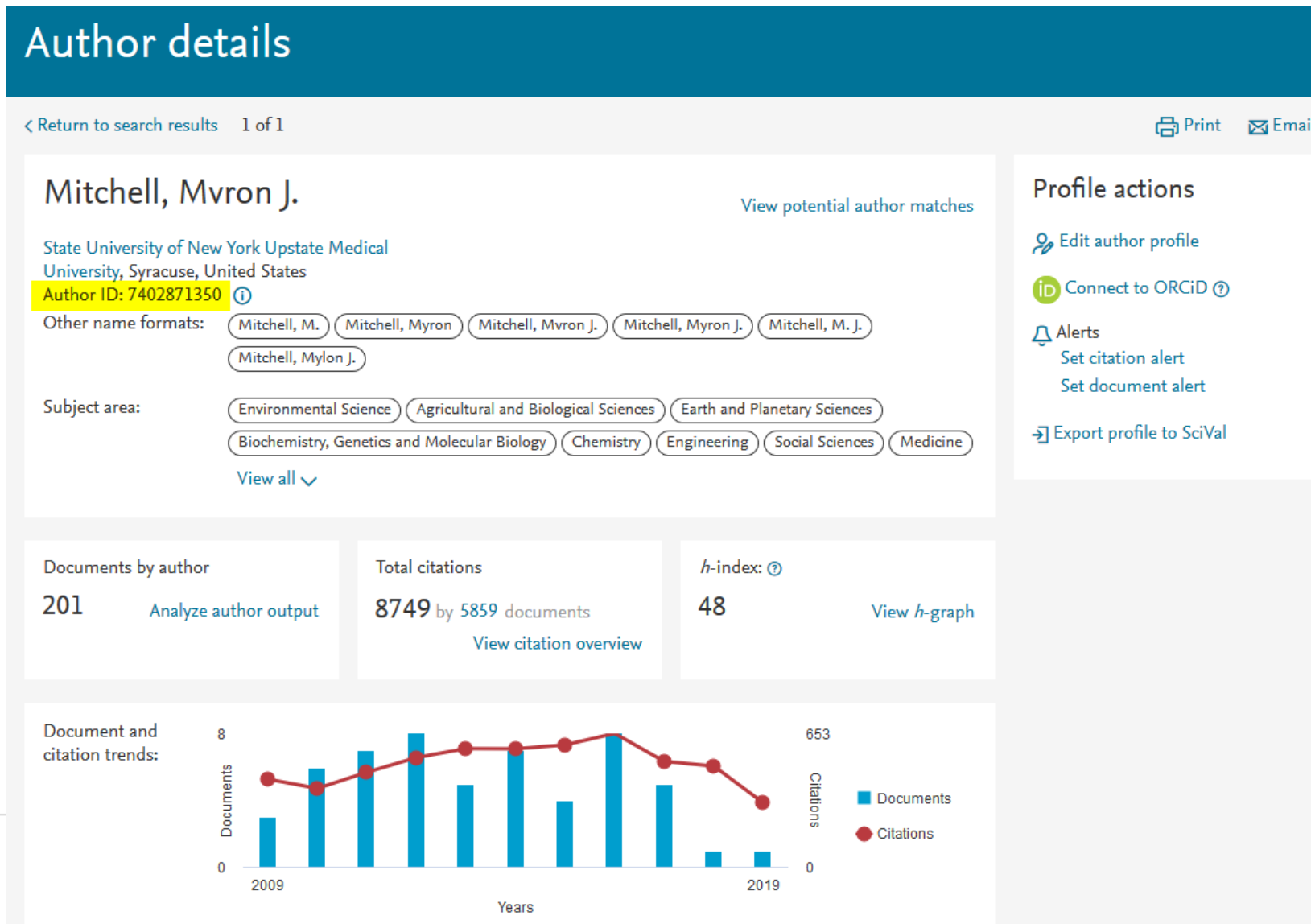
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The source of truth for Researchers in SciVal: Scopus














Creating a small group of researchers

Researchers and Groups

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- > Researcher
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Biogeochemistry is now available to use in SciVal. [See entity](#)

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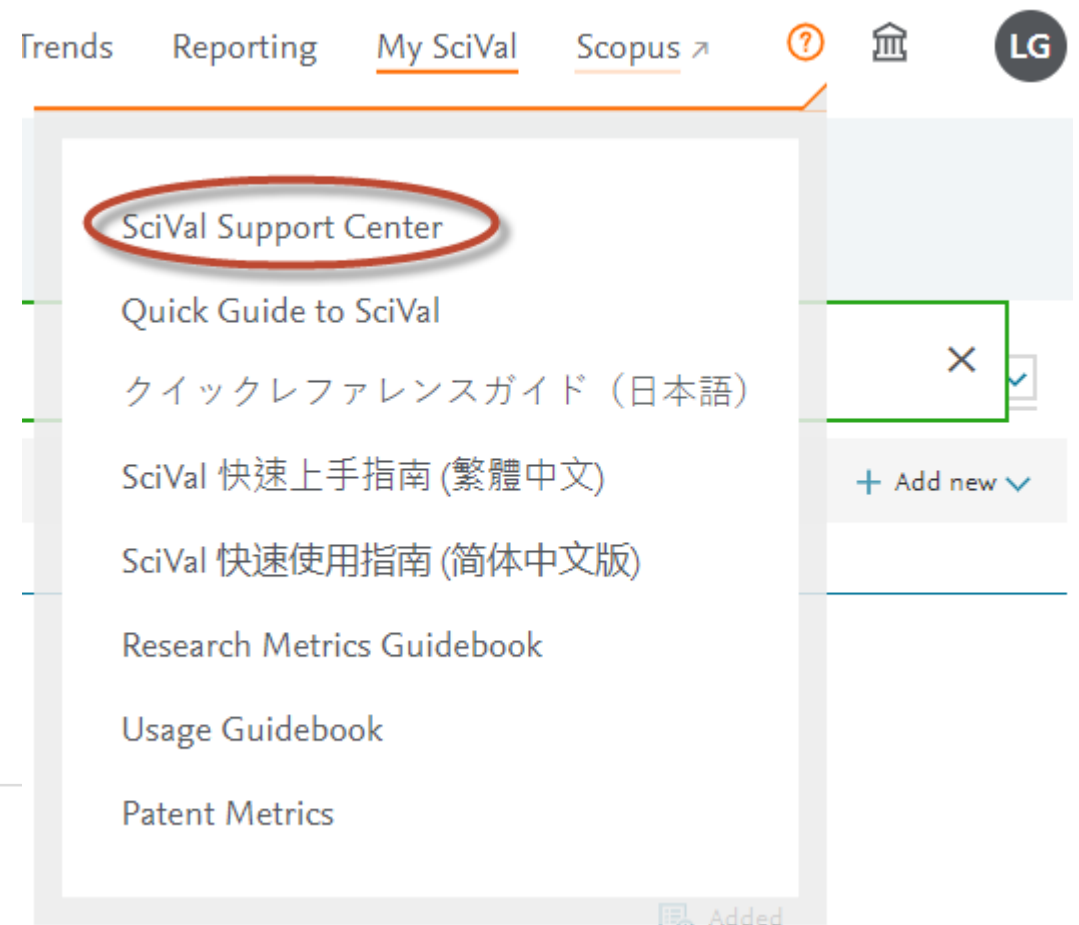
- **Importing Researchers & Creating your Hierarchies in SciVal**; recorded webinar: <https://www.brighttalk.com/webcast/13819/343411>
- SciVal in-product help

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Below are FAQs for each step needed to create a hierarchy using the import functionality:



The screenshot shows the 'My SciVal' menu in the SciVal interface. The menu is open, displaying a list of links. The first link, 'SciVal Support Center', is circled in red. Below it are links for 'Quick Guide to SciVal', 'クイックレファレンスガイド (日本語)', 'SciVal 快速上手指南 (繁體中文)', 'SciVal 快速使用指南 (简体中文版)', 'Research Metrics Guidebook', 'Usage Guidebook', and 'Patent Metrics'. To the right of the menu, there is a button with a plus sign and the text 'Add new'.

Trends Reporting My SciVal Scopus ↗ ? ? LG

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Thank you

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Further reading

For further information regarding the methodology, how Prominence is calculated and assigned etc. please see the following papers:

- **Research Portfolio Analysis and Topic Prominence**
Richard Klavans and Kevin Boyack
- **Identifying Emerging Topics in Science and Technology**
Henry Small, Kevin W. Boyack and Richard Klavans
- **Which Type of Citation Analysis Generates the Most Accurate Taxonomy of Scientific and Technical Knowledge?**
Richard Klavans and Kevin W. Boyack
- **A New Methodology for Constructing a Publication-Level Classification System of Science**
Ludo Waltman and Nees Jan van Eck