

## **Bibliometric Solutions for Identifying Potential Collaborators**

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## [DISCLAIMER]

## **Bibliometric solutions** inform decisions but do not take decisions

## Why seek for collaborators?

**Partners for EU projects** 

Infrastructure

**Hiring staff** 

#### Writing a paper

**Applying novel methods** 

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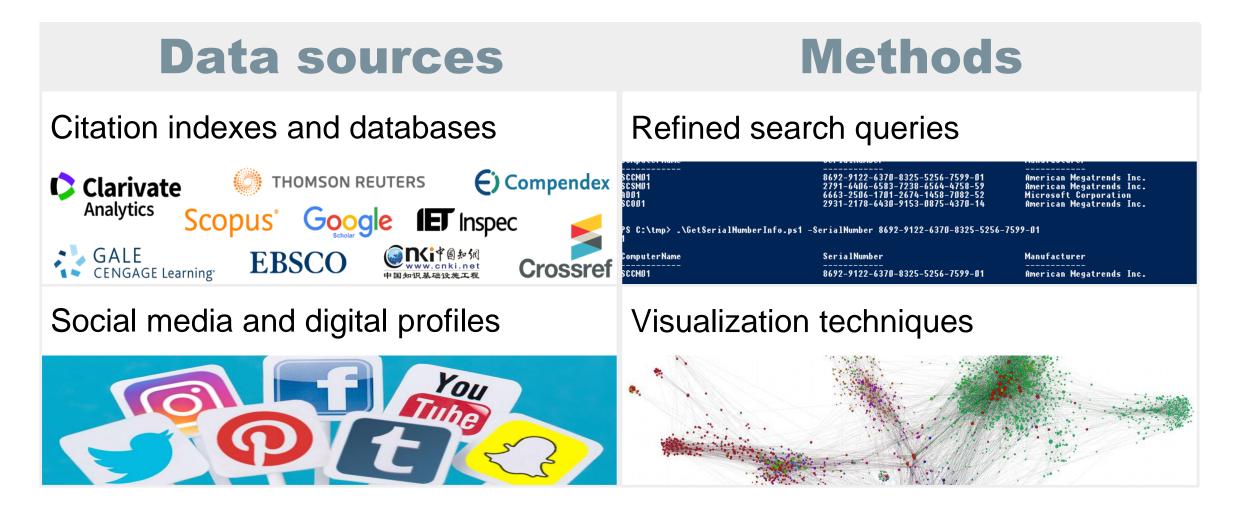
#### Writing a paper

**Applying novel methods** 

Institutional level

Research group / Department

#### **Data sources and methods**



#### Outline

## Sources and digital profiles

## **Bibliometric approaches**

## **Visualization techniques**

## An example – InCites

# Sources and digital profiles

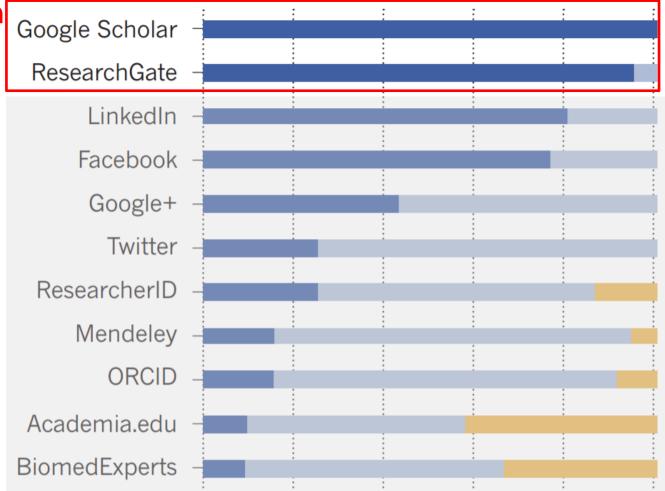
Academic networks and digital profiles

- ResearchGate
- Google Scholar profiles
- Specialized databases

### **Academic Networks VS Digital Profiles**

ACADEMIC NETWORKS. A digital plafform where scientists share their work (ResearchGate, Academia.edu) or data (figshare). Important: contact info, aggregation networks, personal interactions

DIGITAL PROFILES. Online scientific cv with complementary information, (affiliation, research lines...). No interactions between users. Important: bibliometric indicators



## ¿Why use social networks or bibliometric profiles?

#### Advantages

- 1. No subscription
- 2. Access to papers
- 3. Useful at individual level
- 4. Good for a quick identification
- 5. Linking options and directory
- 6. Scientific collaborators
- 7. Complementary indicators
- 8. Diverse profiles (practitioners, librarians,)
- 9. Not only the main stream science

#### **Disadvantages**

- **1.** Accuracy of information no good
- 2. Need verification
- 3. Limited search bot
- 4. Country / discipline bias

"WE HAVE TO BUILD BETTER FILTER SYSTEMS TO EXPLAIN WHAT RESEARCH YOU CAN TRUST."

## **Social Networks: ResearchGate**

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## Searching a collaborator in "bibliometrics"

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## Social Networks: ResearchGate Recruit scientists and researchers

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## **Bibliometric profiles: Google Scholar**

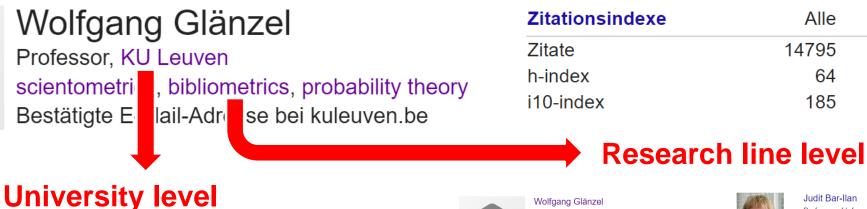


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## **Bibliometric profiles: Google Scholar**

#### Scientist bibliometric rankings





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De Moor Bart KU Leuven ESAT-Stadius Bestätigte E-Mail-Adresse bei esat kuleuven be Zitiert von: 89465 Numerical Linear Algebra System Theory Control Theory



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## **Specialized databases**

#### **PsycInfo, PubMed, GEOBASE, LISTA,... > Precise + Exhaustive**

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Topic Lesbian, gay, bisexual,

**Refine Your Search** 

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# Bibliometric approaches

- Defining potential collaborators
- Combining different definitions
- Finding the most suitable match

## How to define a potential collaborator?

- A. An institution active in the same field of interest
- B. An institution active in the same field of interest and with high impact research
- C. An institution in the same field and could be inclined to collaborate
- D. Combining the three previous approaches

## **Option A. Active in the same field**

#### UNIV GRANADA – 2012-2016 – FOOD SCI TECHNOL

#### **TOP 10 COLLABORATORS**

- 1 CSIC (Spain)
- 2 CNRS (France)
- 3 Autonomous Univ Barcelona
- 4 Univ Jaen
- 5 Universite Paris Saclay
- 6 Univ Barcelona
- 7 Ghent Univ
- 8 AGROPARISTECH
- 9 Univ California System
- 10 Univ Almeria

#### **TOP 10 IN FOOD SCI TECHNOL**

- 1 CSIC (Spain)
- 2 US Department of Agriculture
- 3 Inst Nat de la Recherche Agronomique
- 4 Jiangnan Univ
- 5 Wageningen Univ System
- 6 Chinese Academy of Sciences
- 7 China Agricultural Univ
- 8 CSIR (India)
- 9 CONICET (Argentina)
- 10 Univ California System

## **Option B. Active + High impact**

#### FILTERING BY HIGHLY CITED PAPERS

#### **TOP 10 COLLABORATORS**

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#### **TOP 10 HCP IN FOOD SCI TECHNOL**

1 Univ of Massachussetts System

#### 2 CSIC (Spain)

- 3 Wageningen Univ System
- 4 TEAGASC
- 5 US Department of Agriculture
- 6 Inst Nat de la Recherche Agronomique
- 7 Nanchang Univ
- 8 South China Univ of Technol

#### 9 Ghent Univ

10 King Abdulaziz Univ

## **Option C. Active + possibly interested**

#### LOOKING AT THOSE CITING OUR WORK

#### **TOP 10 COLLABORATORS**

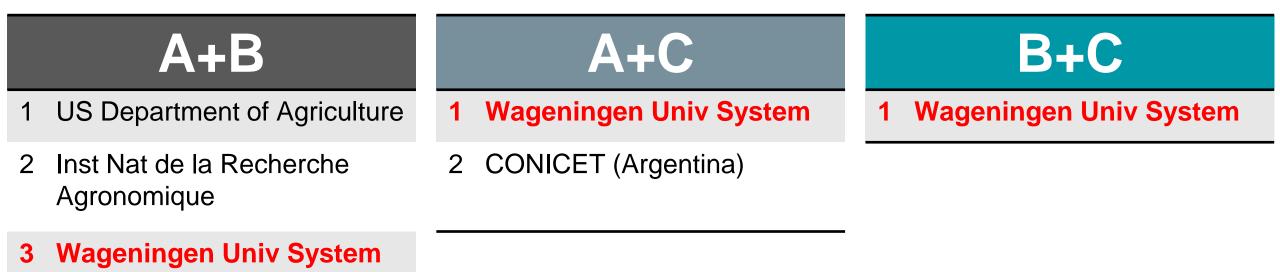
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#### **TOP 10 CITING INSTITUTIONS**

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- 3 Marche Polytechnic Univ
- 4 Univ Barcelona
- 5 Univ Rovira I Virgili
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- 7 Univ Almeria
- 8 Wageningen Univ System
- 9 Univ de Sfax
- 10 Autonomous Univ Madrid

#### **Option D. Combining the different options**

#### **TRYING DIFFERENT COMBINATIONS TO FILTER**



# Visualization techniques

- Institutional profiles and rankings
- Research focus
- Thematic affinity within fields
   Research groups
   Institutional level

#### **Visualization techniques**

## Institutional level

- Which are the missions of our institution and how they match other potential collaborating institutions?
- What is their research focus and how similar it is to ours?

#### Research group level

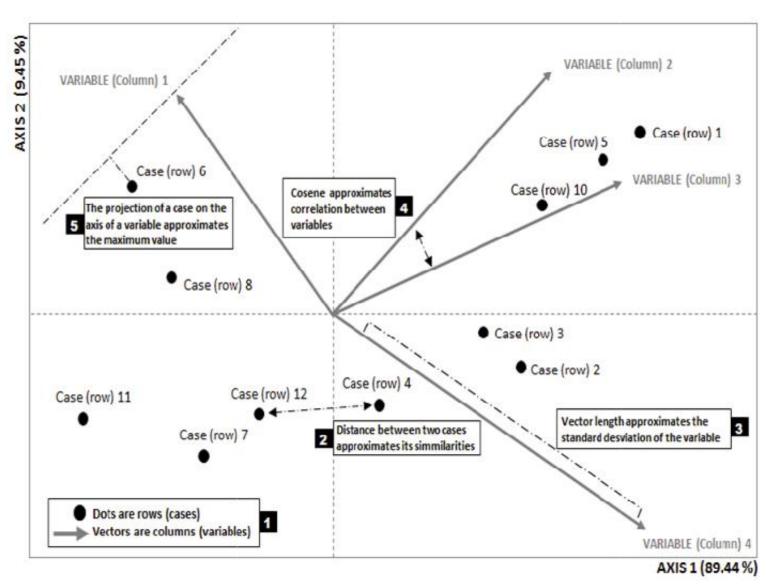
• How similar to a given group is the profile of potential collaborators?

- •What is the orientation of your university?
- •How does it differ from other potential collaborators?

"[Rankings] do present a series of indicators, and institutions can be ranked by each of these separately."

"A system should not merely present a series of separate rankings in parallel, but rather a dataset and tools to observe patterns in multi-faceted data."

H.F. Moed, 2017

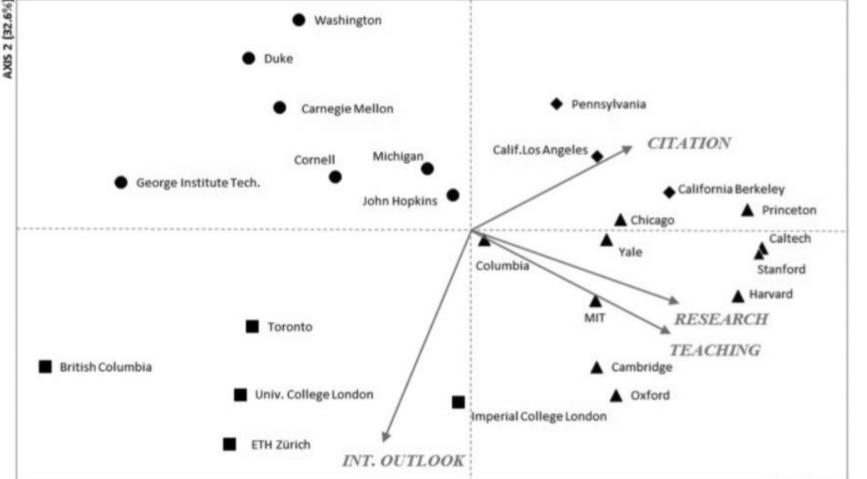


#### **Biplot Analysis**

- Visual representation of the relation between both cases and variables
- Arrows represent variables
- Dots represent cases

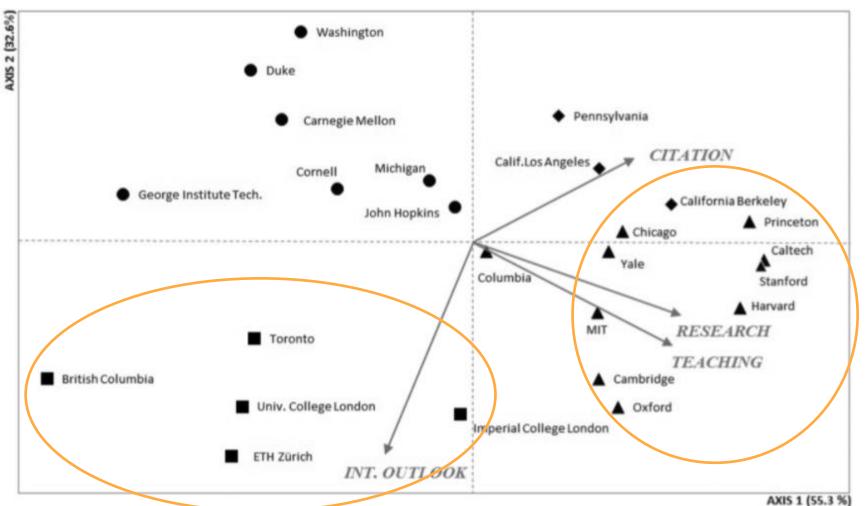
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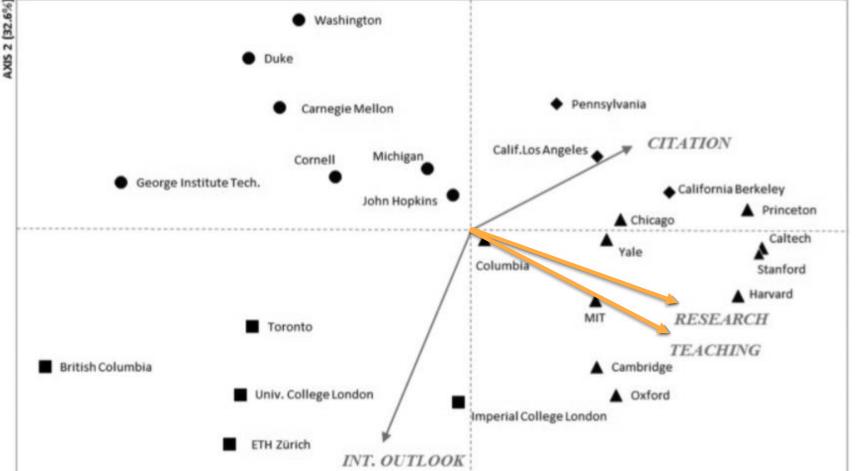
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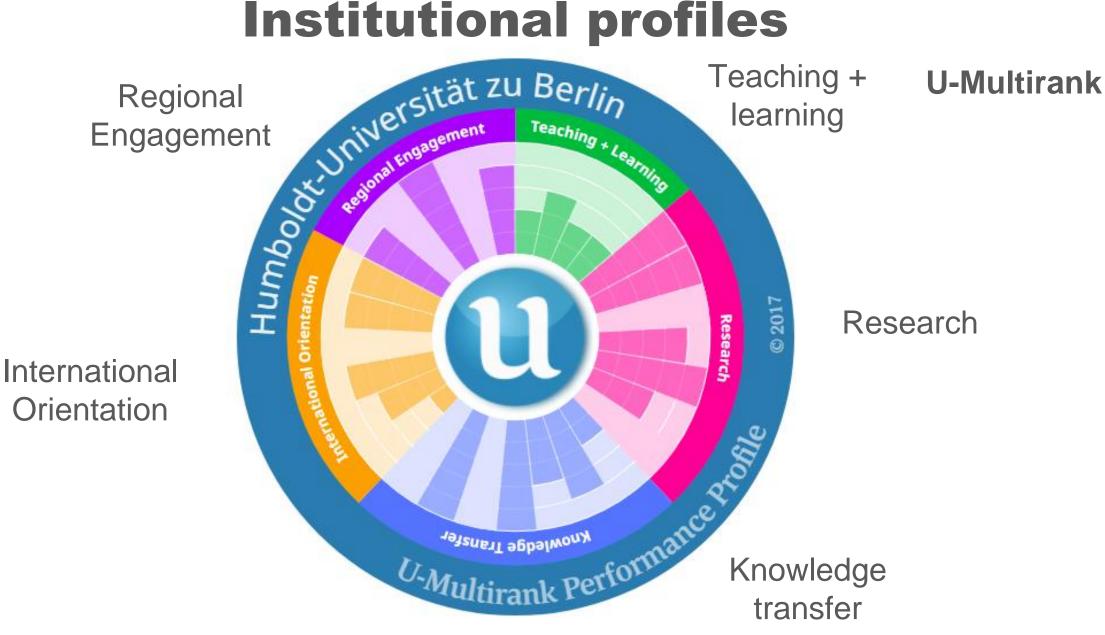
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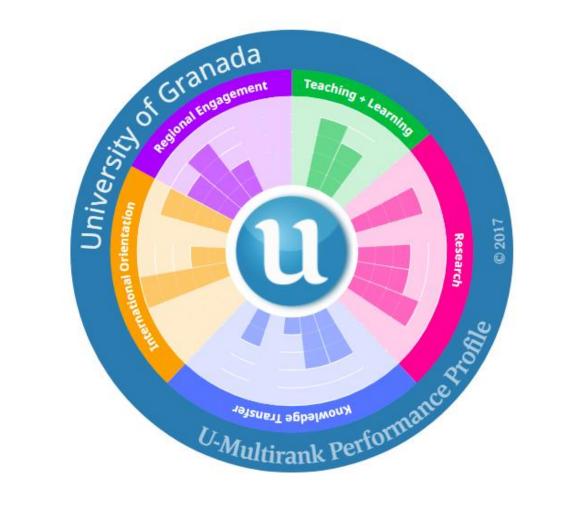


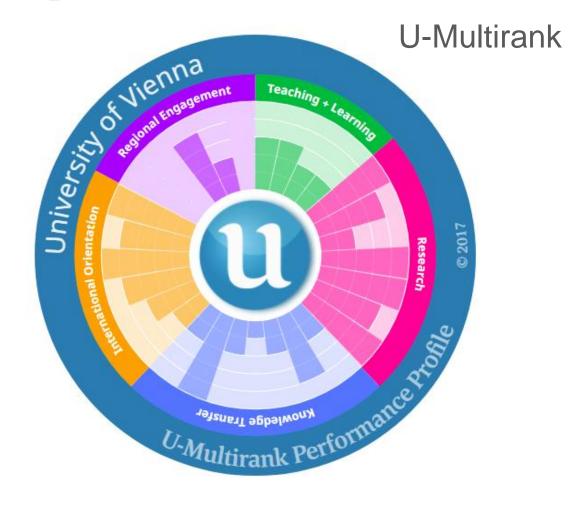
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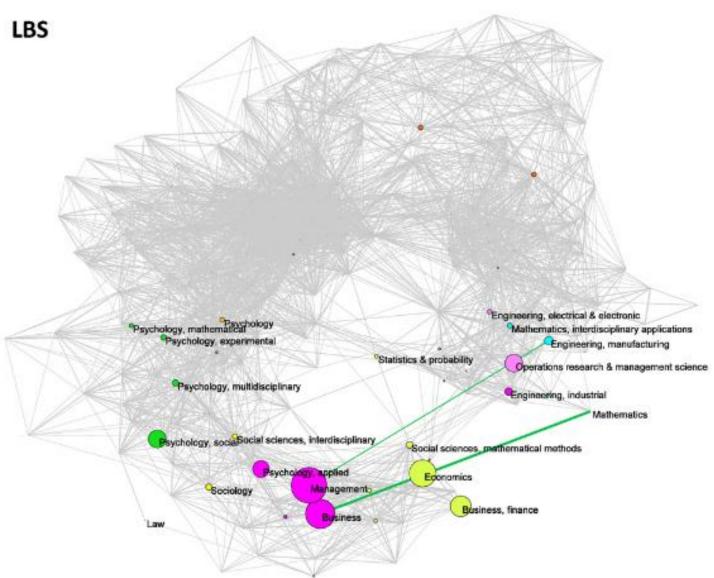
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#### **Overlay maps of science**

#### Basemap of WoS categories

- Overlay of the institutional research profile
- Comparisons between different profiles

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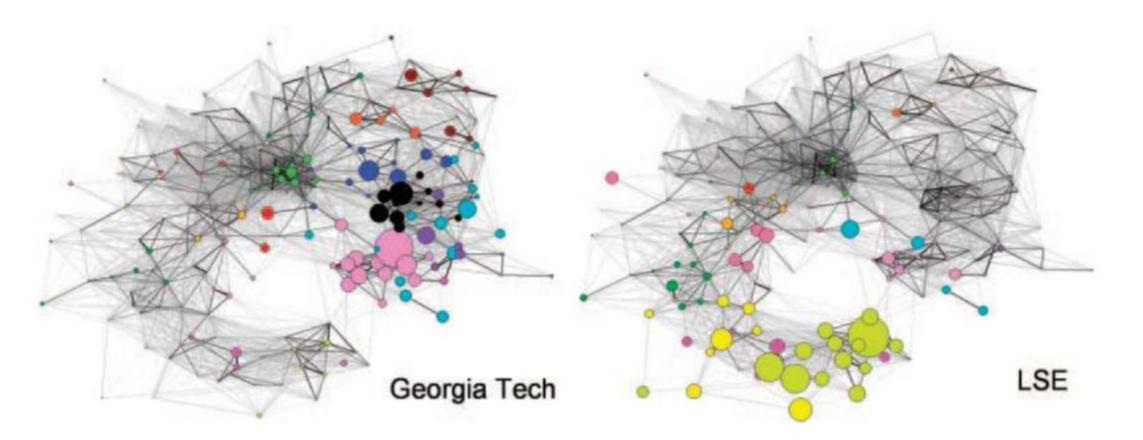
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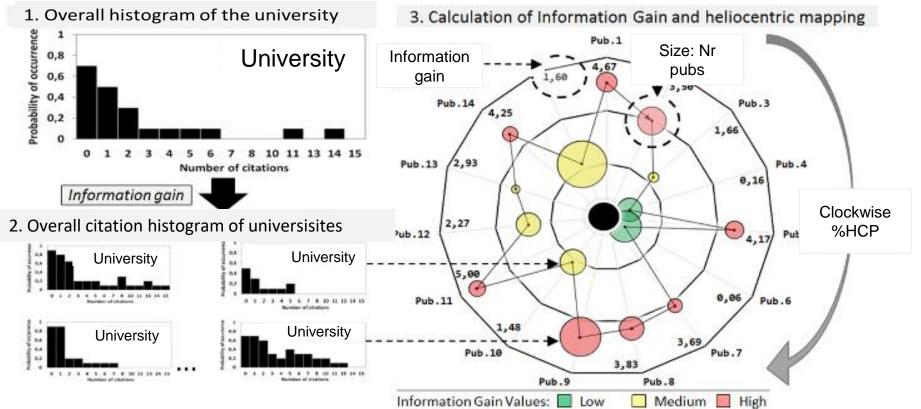
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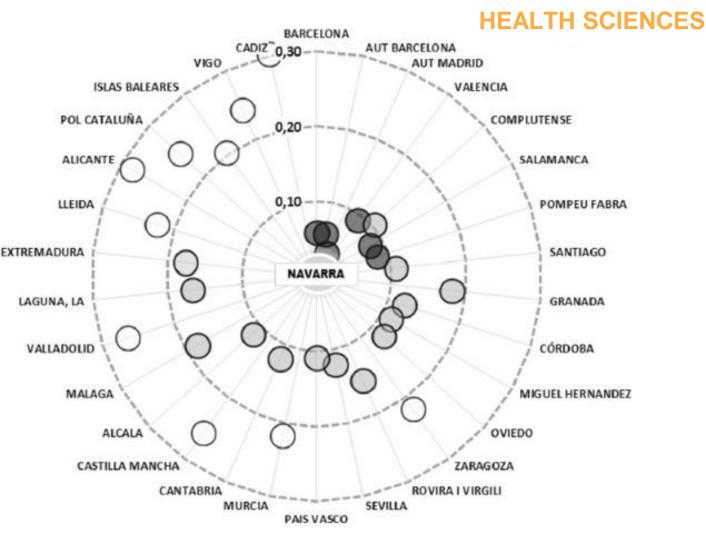
#### **Overlay maps of science**

• Comparisons between different profiles



- Information gain compares similarity of distribution
- Here we use citation distributions and benchmark our institution with others





- Information gain is used to measure similarity between institutions
- The closer to the center the most similar to our institution
- Univs are organized clockwise according to their share of HCP

## SPANISH NATIONAL RANKING

#### INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

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- 2. Polytechnic University of Catalonia
- 3. University of Jaen

5. ...

4. Polytechnic University of Valencia

Another approach looking at national thematic rankings

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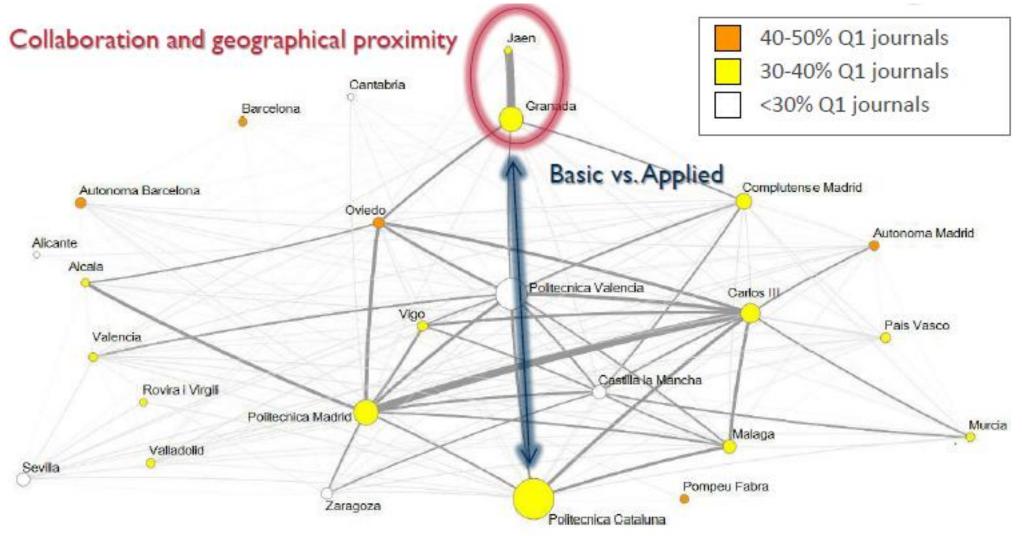
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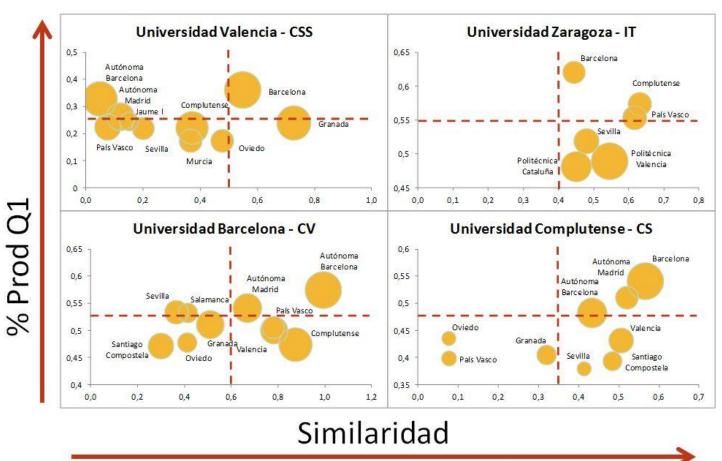
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#### **Hypothesis**

Universities with a similar research profile should publish in the same scientific journals





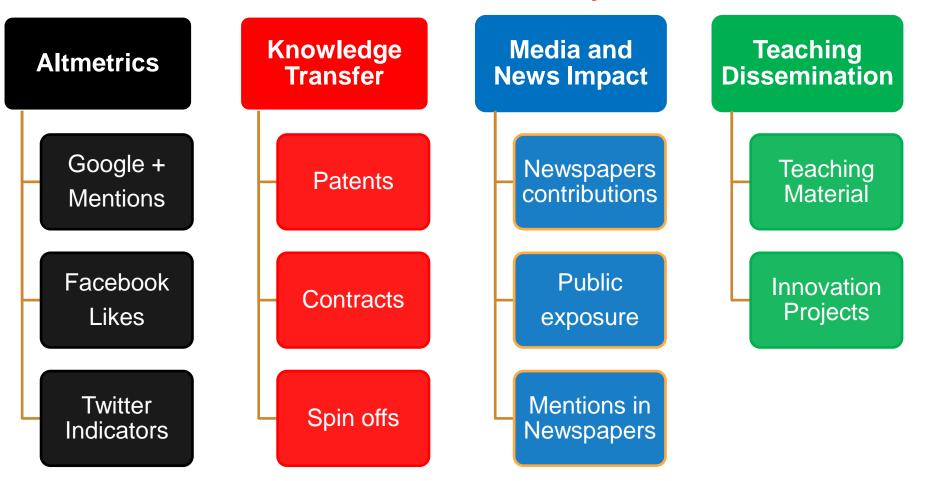
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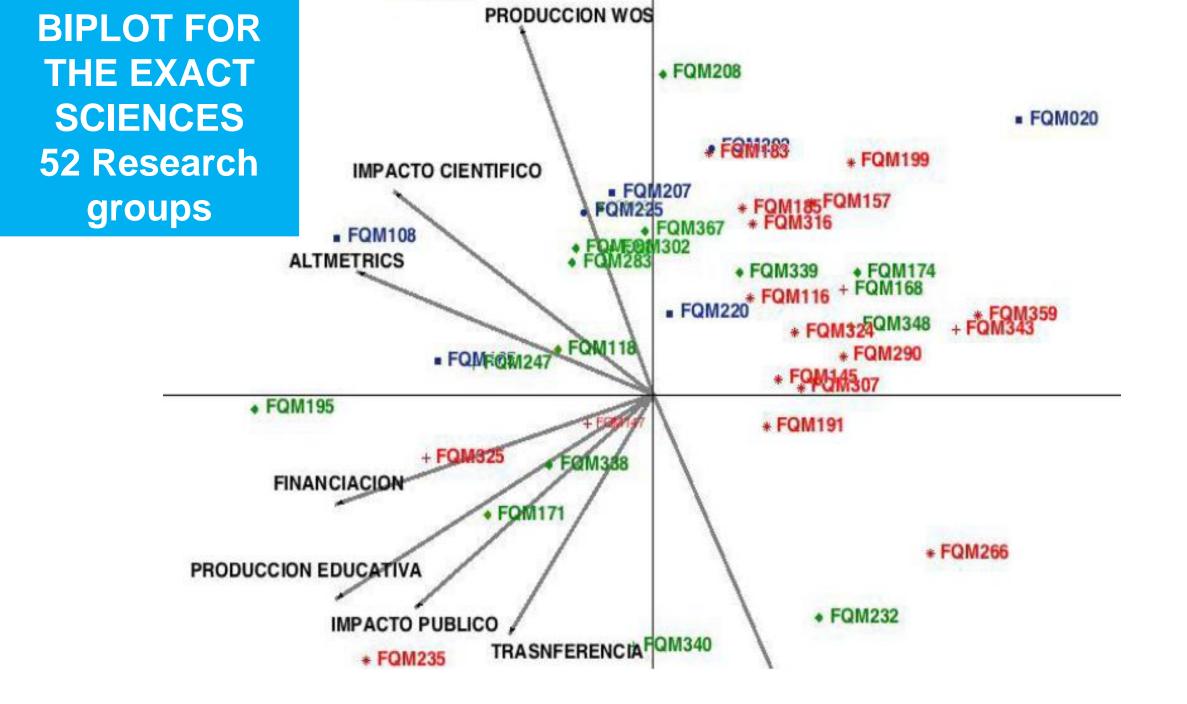
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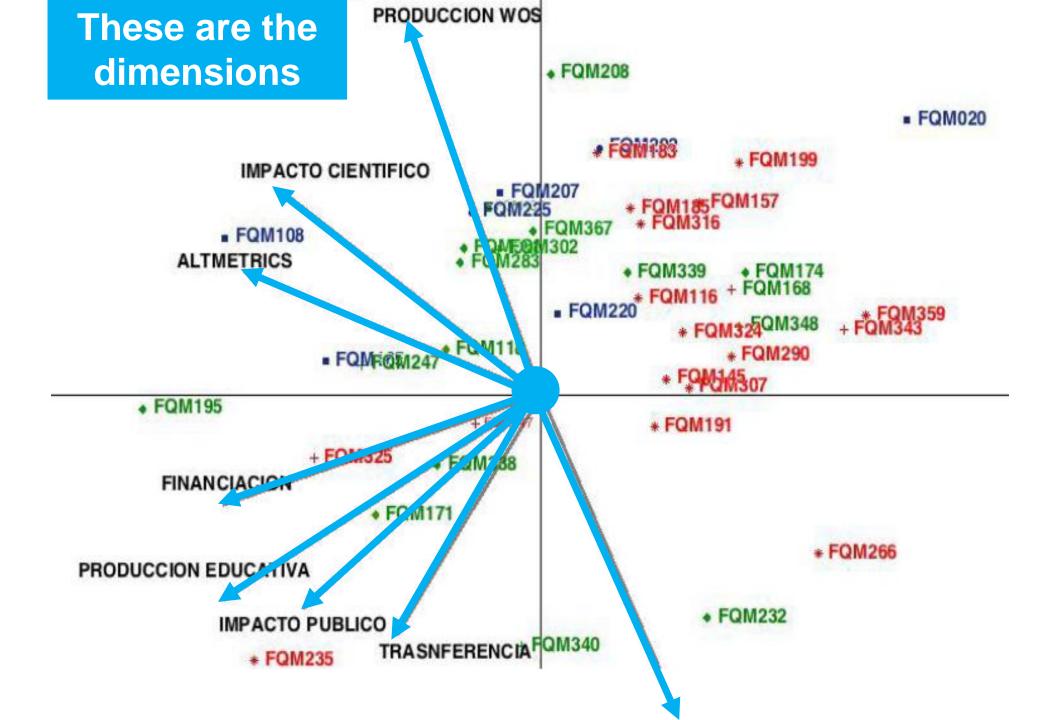
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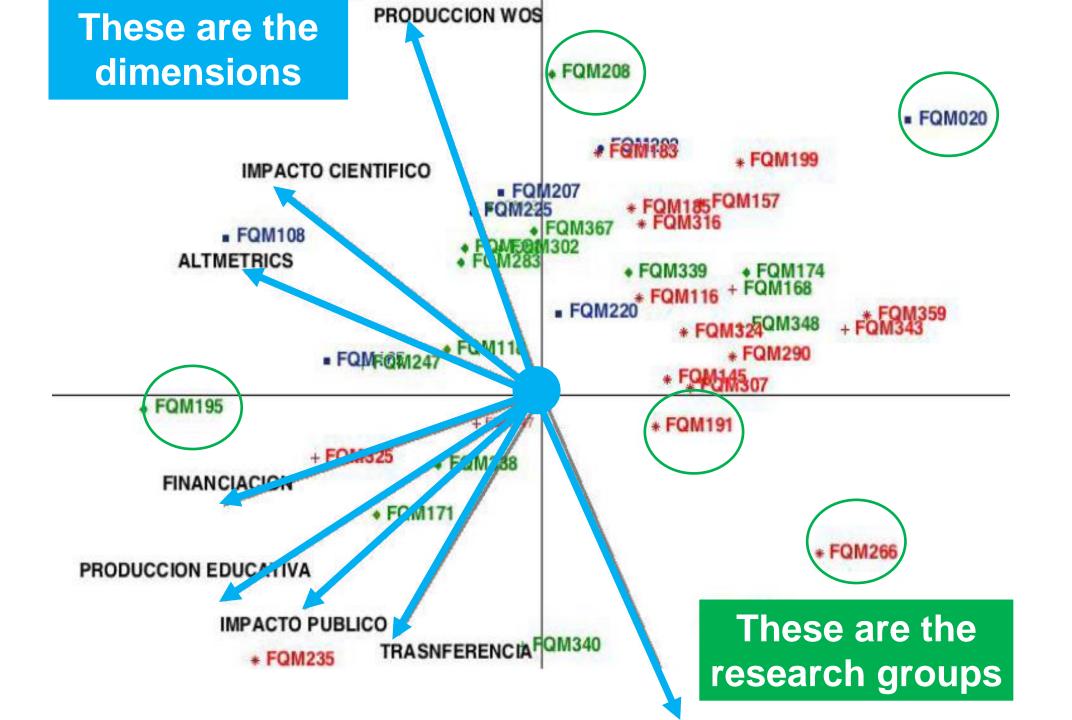


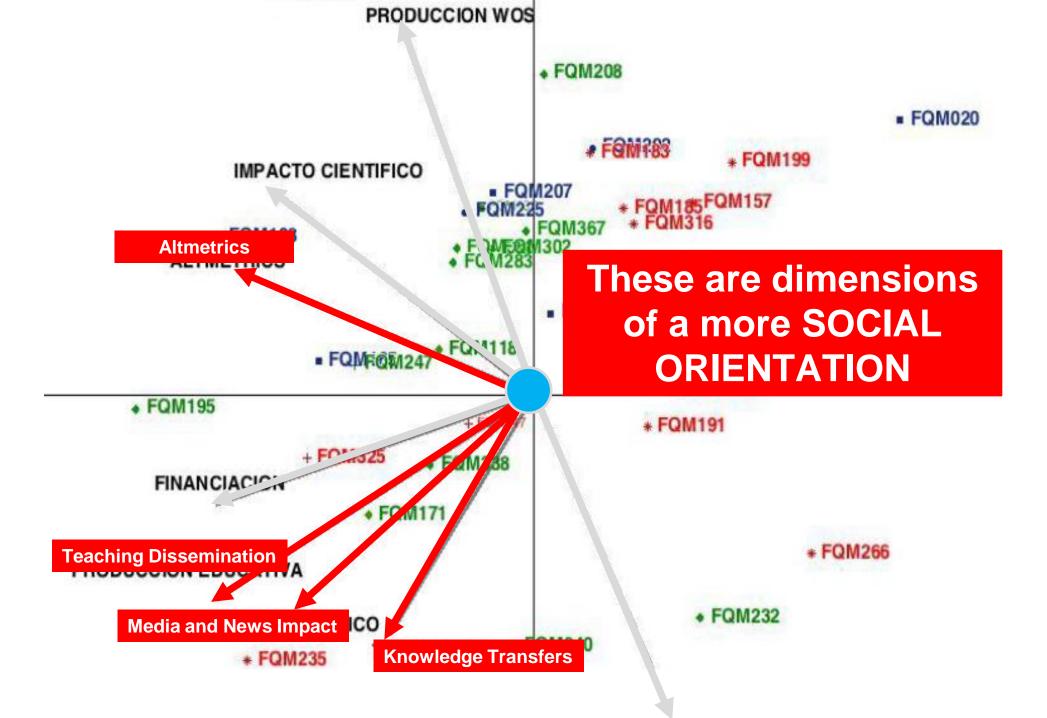
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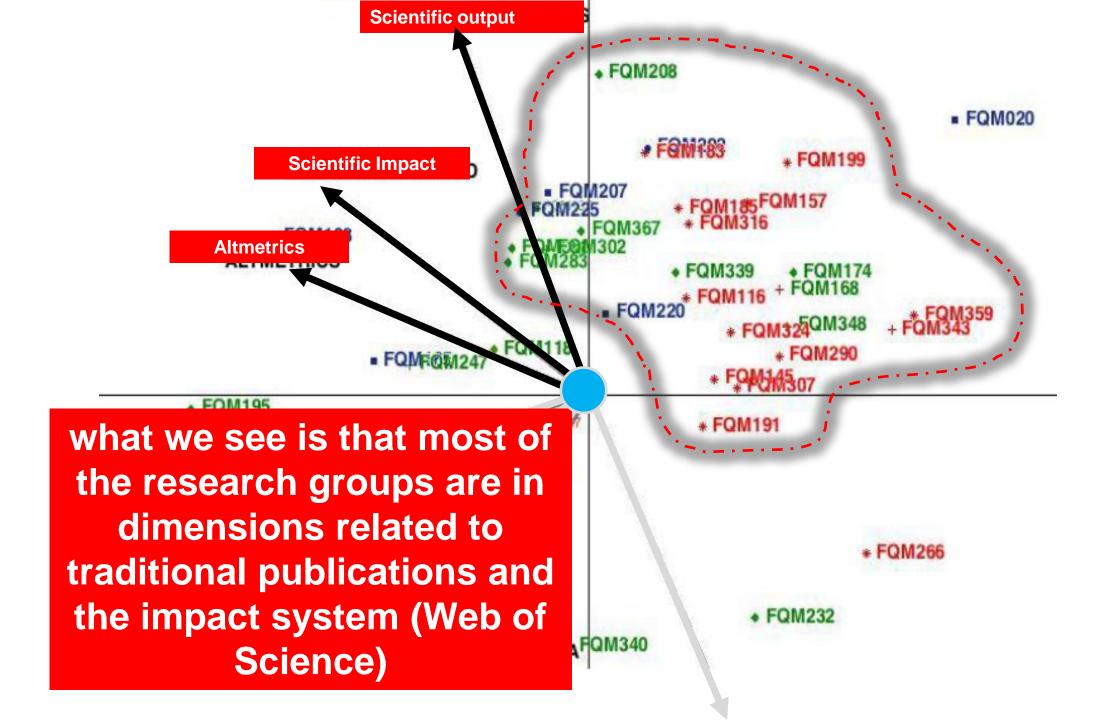
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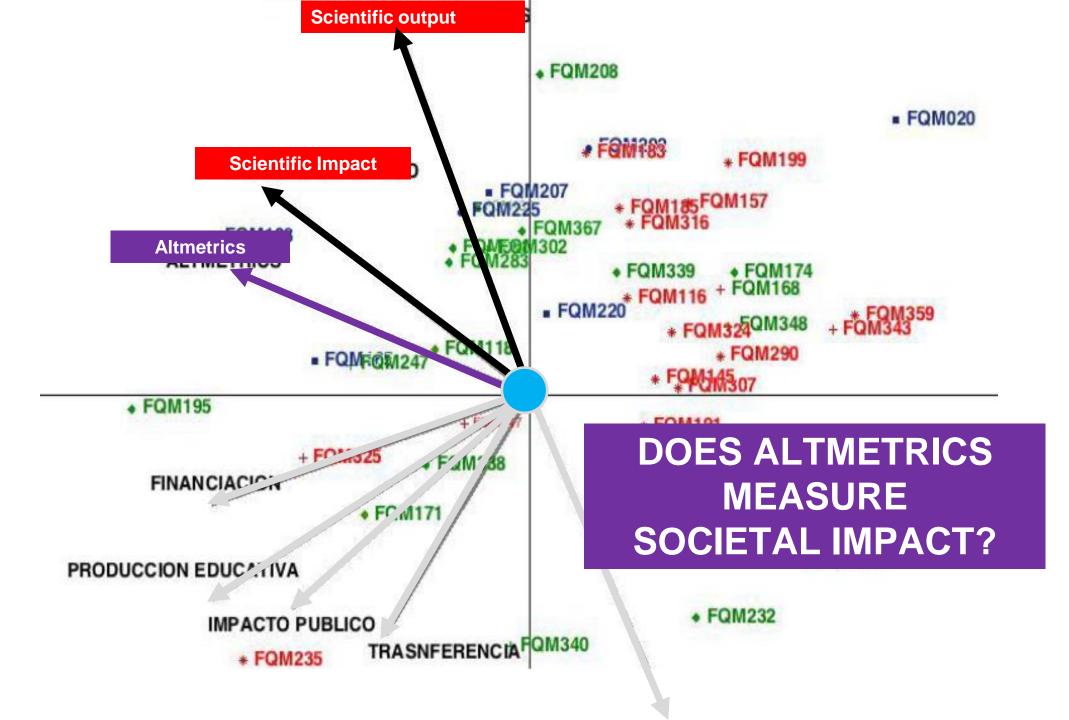


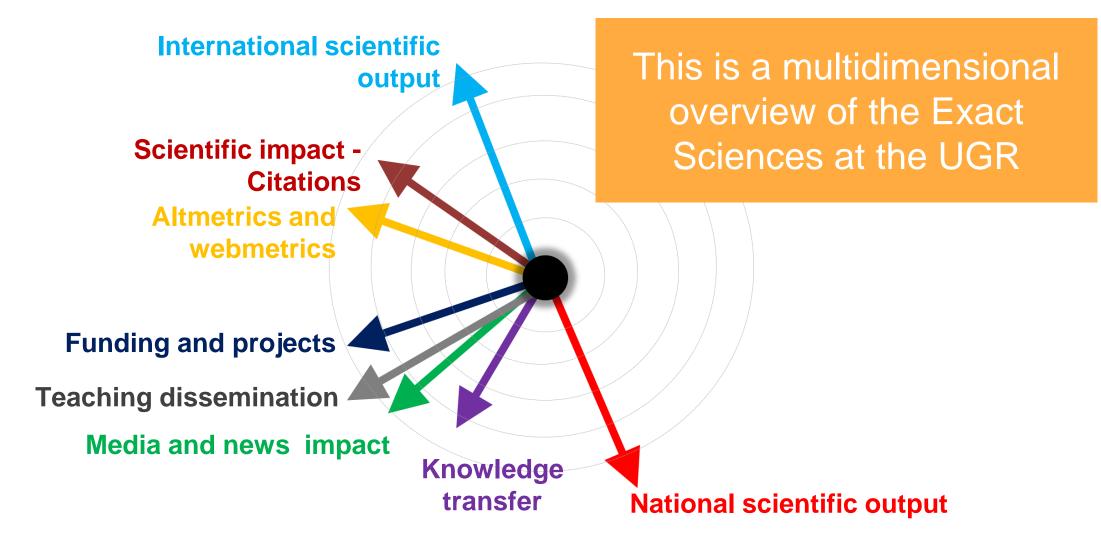


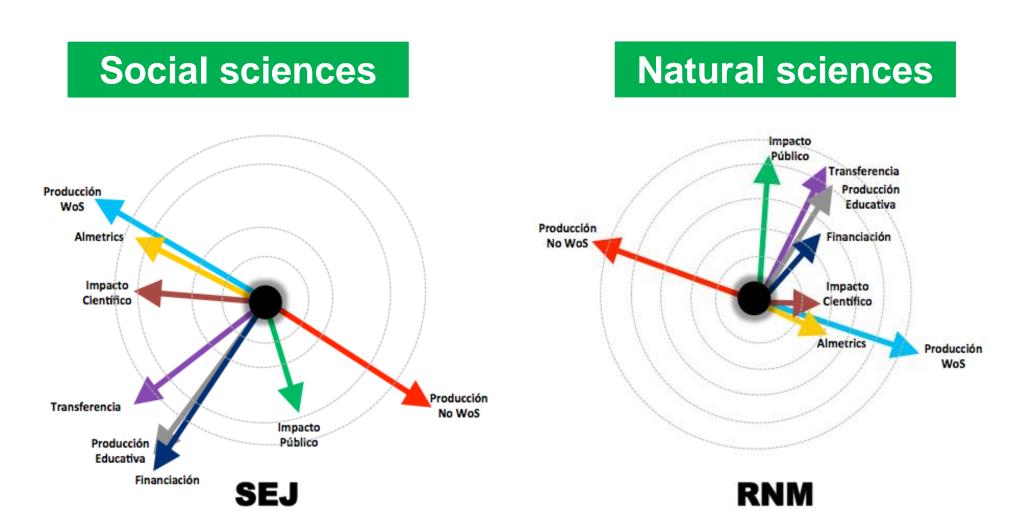












# An example – InCites

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#### **1. PROFILE**

#### ¿ORGANIZATION TYPE?

Non-cademic, Academic system, health, lab, publishers, museums, groups, national academies

#### LOCATION

Country or region level (e.g., States from US, EU)

#### **RESEARCH AREA**

ESI, WC, OECD categories...

# 3. INDICATORS

2. TIME PERIOD

#### •Most productive institutes (# of papers)

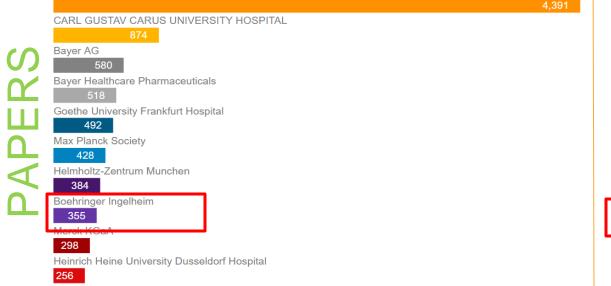
•Scientific excellence (e.g., Highly Cited Papers)

- Collaboration (e.g., % International collaboration)
- Journal Profile (e.g., % 1Q papers)

Extra: By Research Network

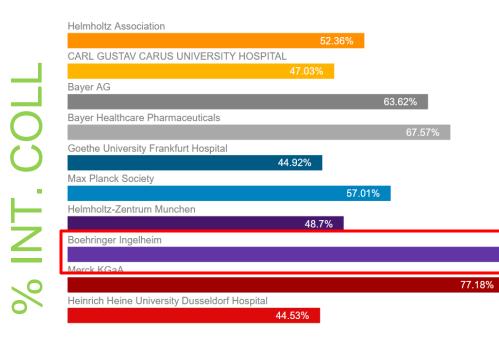
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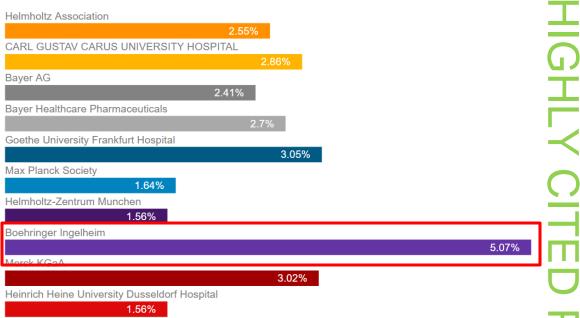
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Springer

Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis of Scientific and Scholarly Communication

Henk F. Moed

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