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Track top papers
Explore collaborations
Compare research performance



A COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE OF HIGH-QUALITY RESEARCH

- Compare research output across 156 countries
- Track research from 375,000+ articles and 10,000+ institutions
- Identify collaboration trends from 1,400,000+ affiliations
- Explore output at regional, national, institution and departmental level

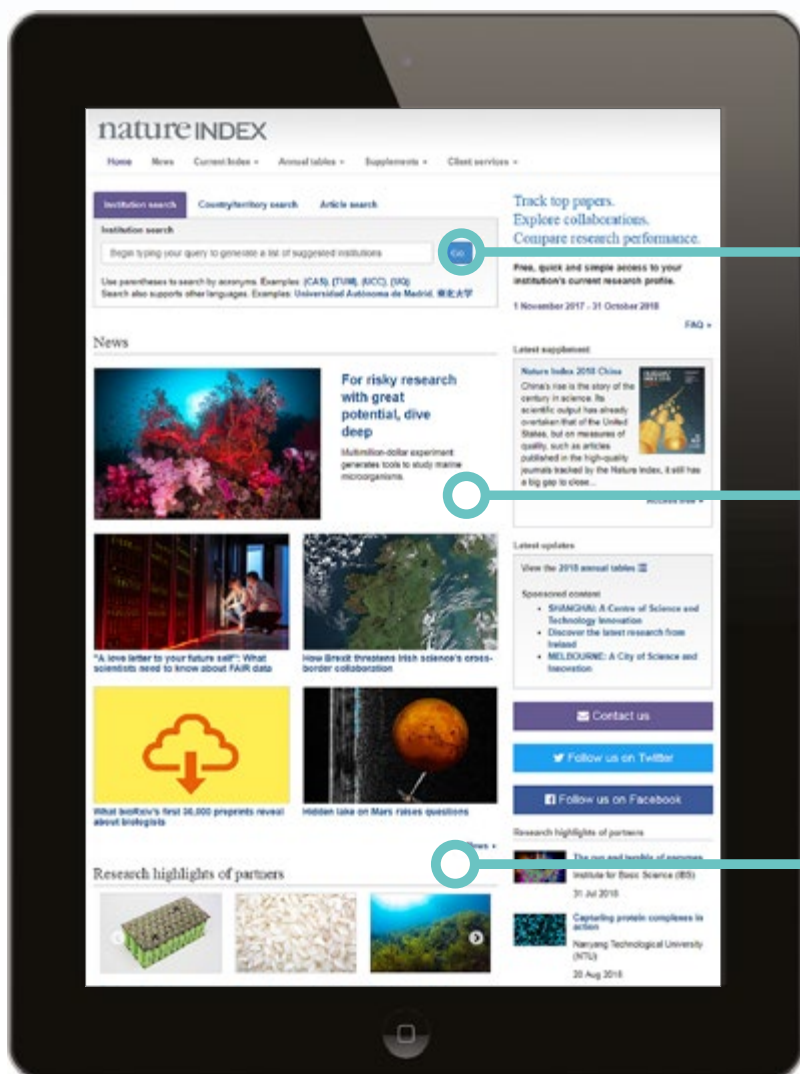
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The Nature Index is a database of author affiliation information collated from research articles published in an independently selected group of high-quality science journals.

- The Nature Index provides a close to real-time proxy for high-quality research output and collaboration at the institutional, national, regional and global level.
- Academic institutions, policy-makers, research analysts, commercial organisations and the wider scientific community use the Nature Index to identify trends in research output and collaboration. The Nature Index delivers a freely accessible and straightforward way to analyse output and collaboration in high-quality scientific research.
- Selected by a panel of active scientists and reviewed regularly the journals included in the Nature Index reflect researchers' preference for the highest quality and most selective journals across the natural sciences.



THE NATURE INDEX DATABASE

Compare and contrast the research output for over 10,000 global organizations and institutions. Search at institution, country and article level to identify research and collaboration trends over the last 7 years.

NATURE INDEX NEWS

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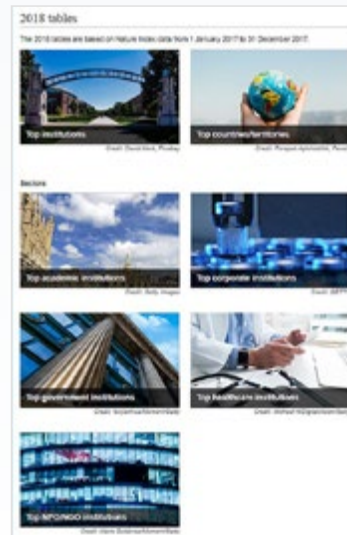


THE NATURE INDEX ANNUAL TABLES

Once a year Nature Index releases annual tables that show calendar year performance and ranking positions for the world's leading research institutions, plus data from previous calendar years to support analysis of trends over time. The data behind the annual tables is freely accessible, enabling users to examine patterns of publication and collaboration down to the article level where media impact is measured using *Altmetric*.



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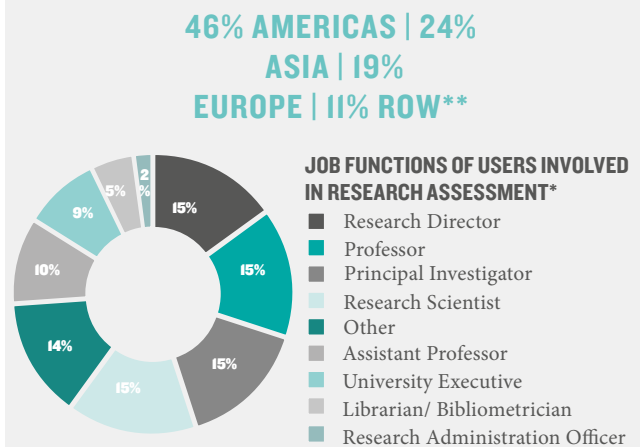
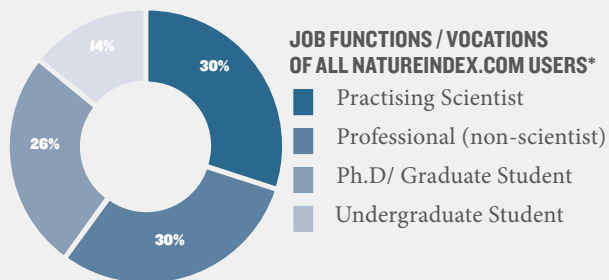
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Nature Index 2019 Supplement Calendar

NEW FOR 2019

Nature Index supplements analyse and interpret Nature Index data and are published in *Nature*. Each supplement focuses on a region or timely topic of interest catered to the *Nature* audience.

MARCH - NATURE INDEX 2019 JAPAN

In the national effort to lift Japan's scientific research performance, collaboration is key. Government initiatives encourage universities and research institutes to work more closely with their international counterparts, and also with the industrial sector to boost innovation. This supplement looks at the institutions, companies, disciplines and individuals at the forefront of successful research collaboration in Japan, both inside and outside the country, and examines the factors which work for and against fruitful collaborations.

MAY - NATURE INDEX 2019 BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

From the study of a single atom or molecule to the complex integrated functions of a whole organism, basic biomedical research forms the knowledge base for how disease, trauma or genetic effects alter normal physical and behavioural processes. With new tools to show at greater speed and depth how molecular, cellular and systems level processes work, the insights gained from basic biomedical research on model organisms are being applied more rapidly than ever in clinical settings. This supplement looks at the achievements and challenges of basic biomedical research, highlighting the countries, institutions and individual researchers whose work stands out in this highly competitive field.

AUGUST - NATURE INDEX 2019 RESEARCH COLLABORATION & BIG SCIENCE

Collaboration is on the rise as scientists worldwide work together to tackle some of the most intriguing questions of science, pooling their resources on big data and big equipment. This supplement focuses on research collaboration, looking at the institutions and individuals leading the way in the accelerating proliferation of cross-border scientific co-operation. From massive scale international collaborations such as the US-based LIGO scientific collaboration which discovered gravitational waves in 2016 and the Japan-founded FANTOM6 project identifying all the functional elements in mammalian genomes, to more modest strategic collaborations and partnerships between institutions or countries, we look at the factors contributing to collaborative success.

OCTOBER - NATURE INDEX 2019 YOUNG UNIVERSITIES

It is one thing to be a high performing research institution with the benefit of centuries of steady scientific activity in your institutional DNA, but what about the young institutions who are achieving high research performance without the benefit of long-established reputations or lavish legacies? This supplement profiles best-in-class young institutions who have made a name for themselves with outstanding performance in innovative research. It highlights the projects, personalities, practices and policies which have contributed to their success to date and examines strategies for facing the future of hyper-competition for scarce research resources.

DECEMBER - NATURE INDEX 2019 MATERIALS SCIENCE

Materials science will define the technologies and environments of our human future. Our material world is transforming as advances in computational methods open the way to creating new materials tailor-made for specific, problem-solving purposes, including superconducting materials, biomaterials and nanomaterials. This supplement highlights the individuals, institutions and countries leading the way in this exciting interdisciplinary field which will drive development not just of new products but new industries for coming generations.



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Inside view
A CUTTING-EDGE LIFESTYLE WITH SCIENCE TO MATCH
An interview with **DR. AMANDA CARNEY**, Senior Director of the Science Communication Strategy

By the author: Dr. Amanda Carney is a senior scientist and science communicator at the University of Melbourne. She has a PhD in Molecular Biology and is currently a Senior Lecturer in the School of Life Sciences. She is also a member of the Victorian Academy of Science and the Australian Academy of Science.

How do you define science communication?
Science communication is the process of sharing scientific knowledge and research with the public. It involves translating complex scientific concepts into accessible and engaging language that can be understood by a wide range of audiences.

How do you see the role of science communication in society?
Science communication plays a crucial role in society by helping to bridge the gap between science and the public. It allows us to share the latest discoveries and research, which can help inform public policy and decision-making. It also helps to foster a greater appreciation and understanding of science among the general public.

What are some of the challenges you face in your work?
One of the main challenges I face is the need to communicate complex scientific concepts in a way that is both accurate and accessible. It can be difficult to find the right balance between scientific rigor and simplicity. Another challenge is the need to stay up-to-date on the latest research in your field, which can be a time-consuming task.

How do you stay motivated in your work?
I stay motivated by focusing on the impact of my work. I know that the research I am doing has the potential to make a real difference in the world. I also find it motivating to work with a team of talented and passionate colleagues who are all committed to making a positive impact through science.

What advice do you have for others in the field?
My advice is to be patient and persistent. Science communication is a long-term process, and it can take time to build a strong reputation and reach a wide audience. It's important to stay focused on your goals and to keep learning and growing in your field. Don't be afraid to ask for help and support from your colleagues and mentors.

MELBOURNE TAKES BIOTECH TO A NEW LEVEL

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GLOBALIZING EDUCATION AND RESEARCH IN JAPAN

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Key findings:

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EXCELLING IN RESEARCH

EXCELLING IN RESEARCH: EXCELLENCE UNIVERSITY'S success in creating an excellent research environment through leading innovation.

Key findings:

- Excellence University has achieved significant success in research.
- The university has a strong focus on innovation and leading research.
- Excellence University is a global leader in research and innovation.

NATURE INDEX INFOGRAPHICS

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FUTURE ENERGY THAT DELIVERS RESULTS TODAY

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A COMMITMENT TO SCIENCE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

The City University of New York has a rich history of world-class science and a 100-year-old mission to provide public, accessible education. CUNY's new Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC) is a university-wide initiative that elevates the legacy of research and education through initiatives in the interconnected disciplines of Neuroscience, Hematology, Biomedical Biology, Bioinformatics and Entomology.

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REGENERATIVE MEDICINE RESEARCH WITH BITE

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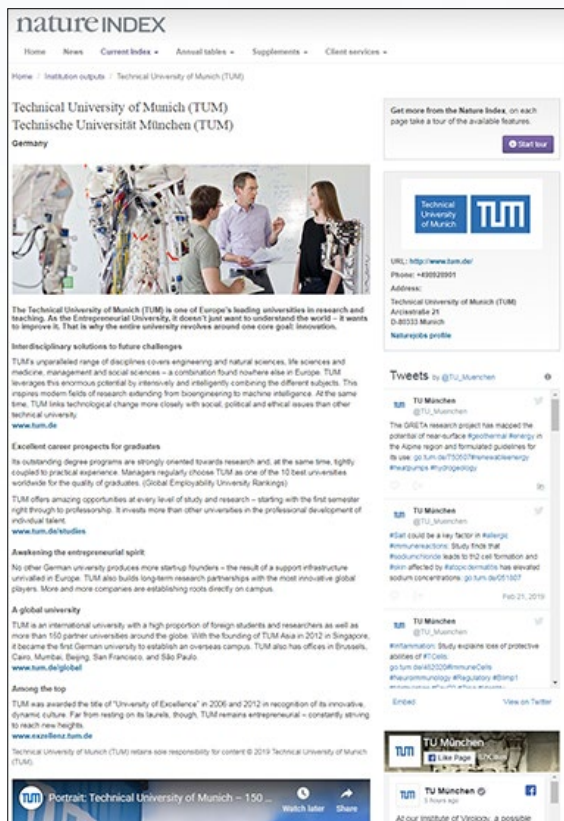
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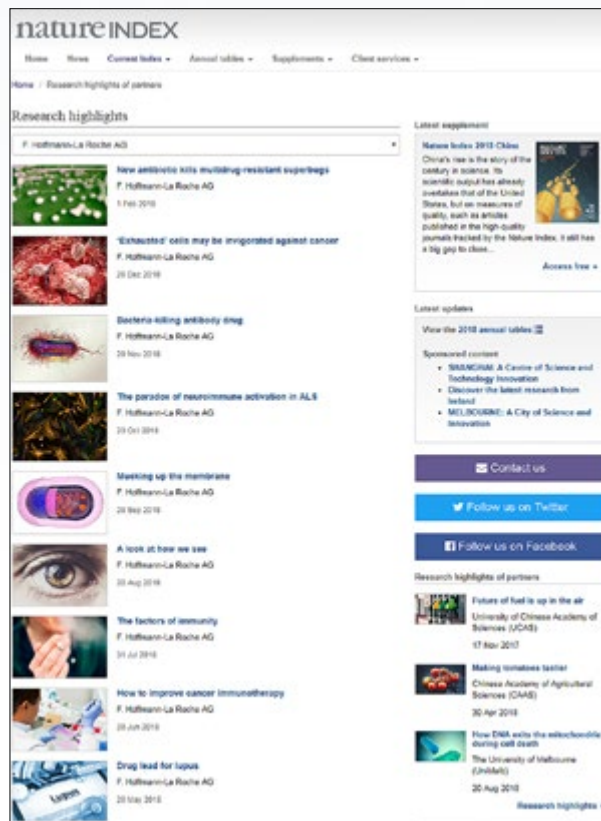
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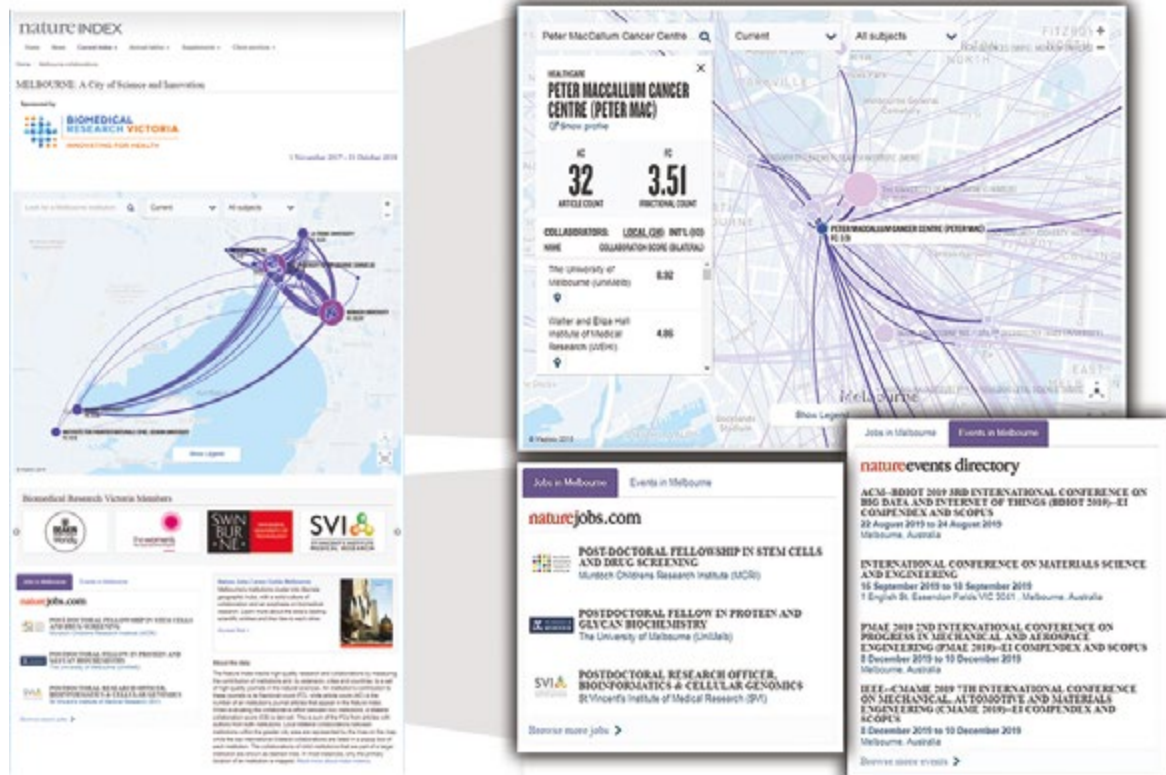
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- A robust social media report is provided after 9 months to subscribers with an Enhanced Profile.

NATURE INDEX COLLABORATION MAPS

- A strength of the Nature Index is the ability to track collaboration between institutions in fine detail, on an international, domestic and local scale. In partnership with Small Multiples, Nature Index's online, interactive maps showcase collaboration between research institutions based on the tracking of high-quality research.
- These interactive city maps present the strength and quality of research output and collaboration that is occurring within the city and internationally in a way that is engaging and promotes the city's research capabilities to the world.
- Sponsors of a collaboration map showcase the research output and collaboration in their city and region based on the high quality research tracked in the Nature Index.

Key Features of the Interactive Online Map

- Each institution will have a pop-up box showing their output and strongest collaborations in high quality research within the city area and internationally. There will also be a link to the institution's current profile on the Nature Index website.
- Regularly updated feeds from *Nature Careers* and *Natureevents Directory*, listing jobs and events in the area.
- Promoted in print and across Nature Research's extensive online and social platforms, as well as advertising partners, to attract a large, relevant audience to the online map.





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MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER



The Nature Index delivers a freely accessible and straightforward way to analyse high-quality scientific research output and collaboration that complements the other metrics and evaluation tools available to the research community. By focusing on a relatively small number of journals that have been identified as high-quality by an independent group of practicing scientists from relevant disciplines, we aim to provide a targeted view of high-quality output for institutions,

policy-makers, research analysts, commercial organisations and the wider scientific community. With more than seven years of data, Nature Index is becoming an increasingly powerful tool. It provides more than just a snapshot as the addition of each year's data elucidates trends in research output and changing patterns of collaboration over time.



David Swinbanks, founder of the Nature Index