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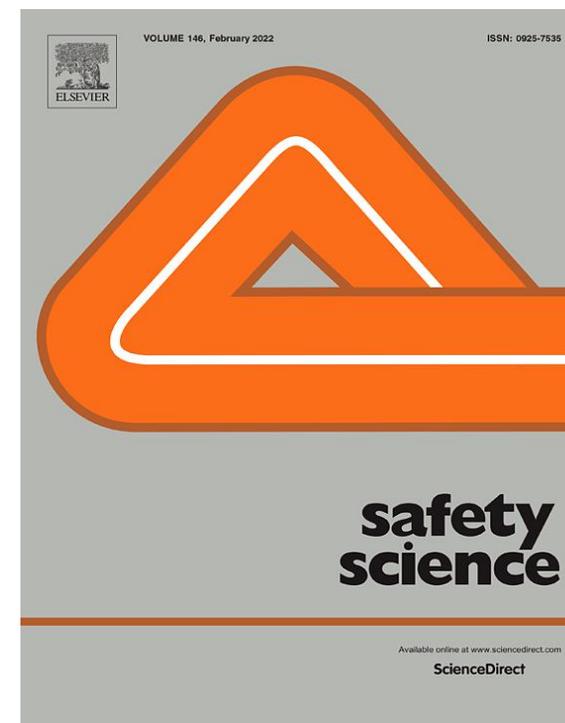
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Scope of JOA

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JOCA scans the variegated panorama of occupational safety, as distinct from health, the dividing line being drawn generously. It concentrates on the why and how of the accident as an event and on the many opportunities at all stages for preventive or palliative action. It does this by relating its approach to specific hazards rather than industries, except when an industry such as mining or forestry presents special risks.

Like safety itself, JOCA is multidisciplinary. Its contributors are as likely to be industrial psychologists as chemical engineers, their method analytical, experimental or both. While JOCA is in the forefront of research, it welcomes the occasional state-of-the-art reviews as well as first-hand case histories of accidents and disasters of special significance and statistical surveys of accident experience throughout the world.

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SAFETY SCIENCE, like its predecessor, the *Journal of Occupational Accidents*, serves as an international medium for research in the science and technology of human safety. It extends from safety of people at work to other spheres, such as transport, leisure and home, as well as every other field of man's hazardous activities.

SAFETY SCIENCE is multidisciplinary. Its contributors and its audience range from psychologists to chemical engineers. The journal covers the physics and engineering of safety; its social, policy and organisational aspects; the management of risks; the effectiveness of control techniques for safety; standardization, legislation, inspection, insurance, costing aspects and the like.

SAFETY SCIENCE will enable academic researchers, engineers and decision makers in companies, government agencies and international bodies, to augment their information level on the latest trends in the field, from policymakers and management scientists to transport engineers.

The journal focusses primarily on original research papers across its whole scope, but also welcomes state-of-the-art review papers and first hand case histories on accidents and disasters of special significance. The emphasis is on safety risks, as distinct from health risks, but may include both.

Most papers will be original publications, but the editors will consider translation into English of important papers previously published elsewhere in another language. In exceptional cases the journal will publish a paper in French or German.

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From *Journal of occupational accidents* to *Safety Science*

Editing JOURNAL OF OCCUPATIONAL ACCIDENTS over the last 14 years has been an education in more than one sense. First, we found, perhaps not unexpectedly, that most of the science of prevention, causation, occurrence and analysis of accidents is much the same irrespective of whether they happen at work or leisure, in the home or on the roads, on the railways or at sea. Natural disasters apart, the prime cause is always man: risk maker or taker, designer or manufacturer, user or manager, builder or dweller, driver or passenger. Accordingly we see no reason and some advantages why we should not expand our remit to embrace the whole of human safety, not just that applying to work.

Again, judging by the number of submissions, there has, over the years, grown considerable interest in human, as distinct from natural, science aspects of safety. The psychology and organisation of safety is every bit as important as its physics or chemistry; the Journal can therefore consider itself fortunate in having secured the services of Dr. Andrew Hale, Professor of General Safety Science at the Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands, as joint editor. He needs no introduction to students of safety science throughout the world.

At the same time we would like to take the opportunity to widen the scope of the journal to include the rapidly growing field of research into organisational and policy aspects of safety. We would accordingly welcome research and review papers on safety management, information systems, costing, insurance, and policy issues such as standardisation, government inspection and legislation.

For these and other reasons we feel that the time has come to reflect these changes in our journal's name from the familiar JOURNAL OF OCCUPATIONAL ACCIDENTS to one which we hope will soon prove equally familiar: SAFETY SCIENCE.

Apart from the expansion in subject matter mentioned above we would like to see more papers giving structured case histories of actual accidents. Again, although most of our submissions will continue to present original pieces of research, there is always room for papers that review the state of the art in different areas of this research. We would welcome more of these.

We hope that SAFETY SCIENCE will prove equally acceptable to our readers as its predecessor.

Herbert Eisner

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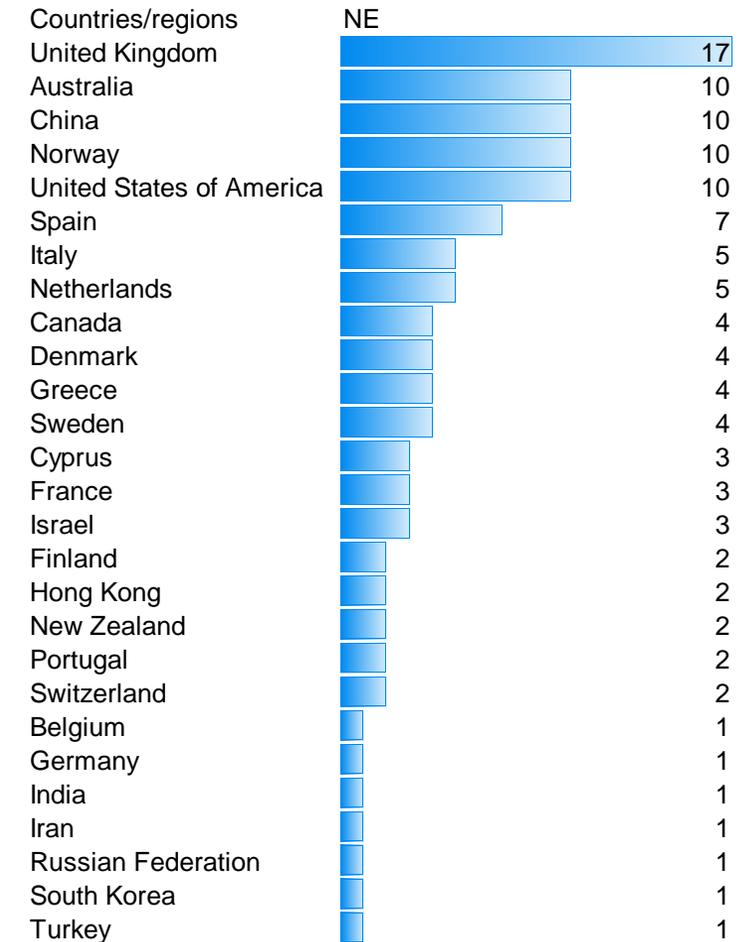
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1998	112	0.277	0.192	n/a	0.055	51.856	
1999	138	0.217	0.198	n/a	0	35.661	
2000	162	0.307	0.182	n/a	0.194	46.015	
2001	245	0.609	0.333	n/a	0.195	83.318	
2002	179	0.403	0.364	n/a	0.089	44.763	
2003	275	0.43	0.395	n/a	0.13	38.437	
2004	387	0.593	0.473	n/a	0.189	64.894	
2005	343	0.606	0.444	n/a	0.061	54.992	
2006	541	0.725	0.569	n/a	0.158	60.781	
2007	629	0.427	0.299	0.908	0.037	20.947	
2008	921	0.836	0.721	1.204	0.149	45.75	
2009	1,274	1.22	0.905	1.426	0.275	62.255	
2010	1,788	1.637	1.105	1.724	0.166	77.132	
2011	1,786	1.402	1.034	1.578	0.327	72.289	
2012	2,393	1.359	1.027	1.785	0.276	63.974	
2013	3,181	1.672	1.257	2.02	0.398	74.286	
2014	3,959	1.831	1.439	2.21	0.491	76.916	
2015	4,669	2.157	1.627	2.284	0.475	82.026	
2016	5,969	2.246	1.813	2.668	0.563	69.435	
2017	7,746	2.835	2.341	3.12	1.126	78.54	
2018	9,895	3.619	2.958	3.923	0.788	80.448	
2019	12,630	4.105	3.304	4.358	1.027	79.725	
2020	17,184	4.877	4.209	5.252	1.889	73.597	

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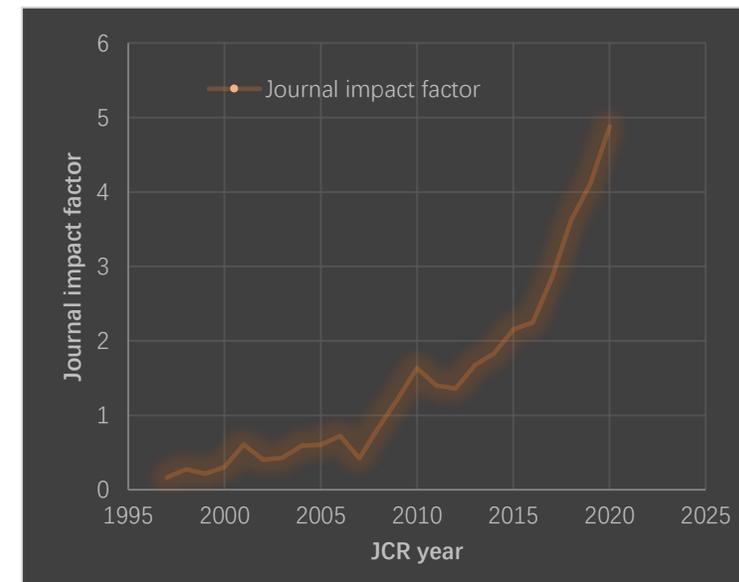
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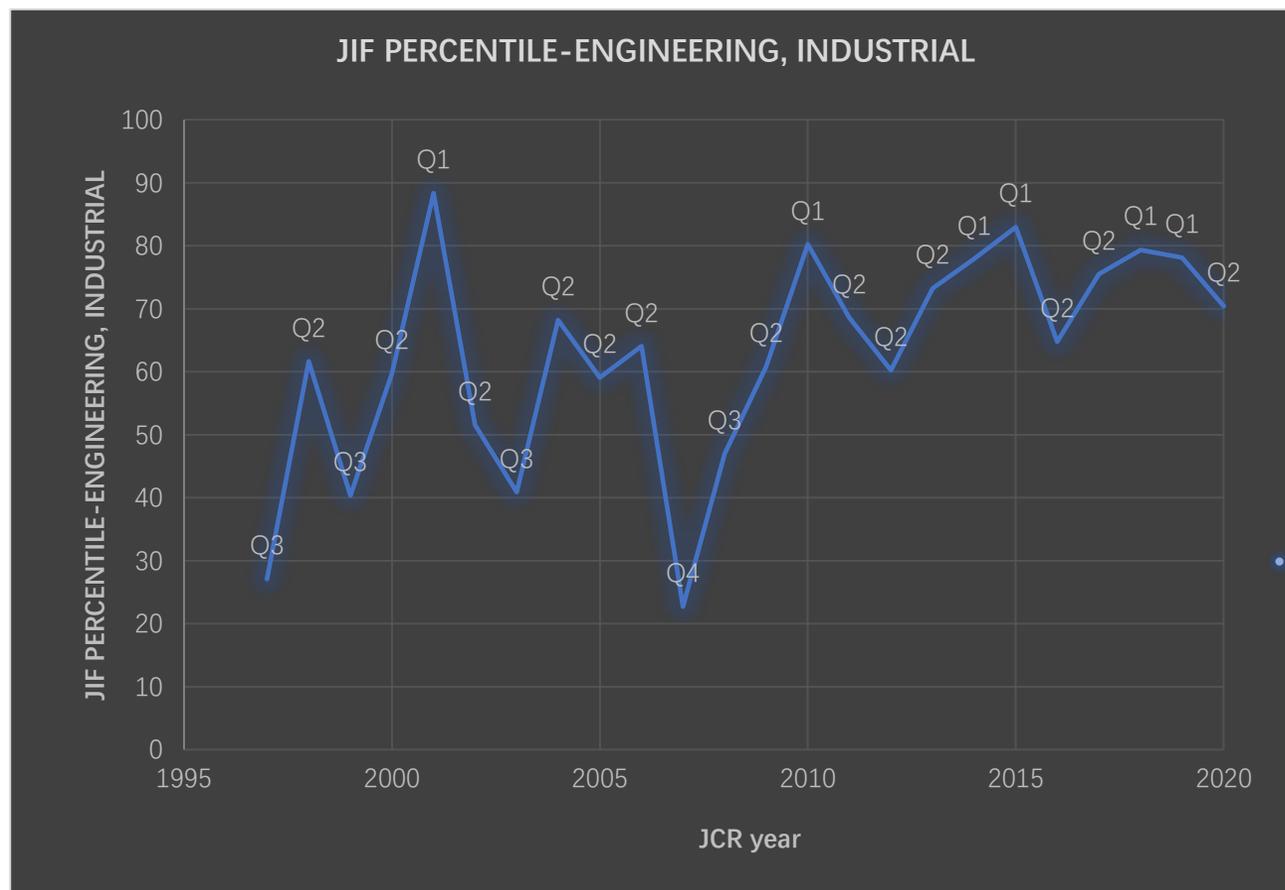
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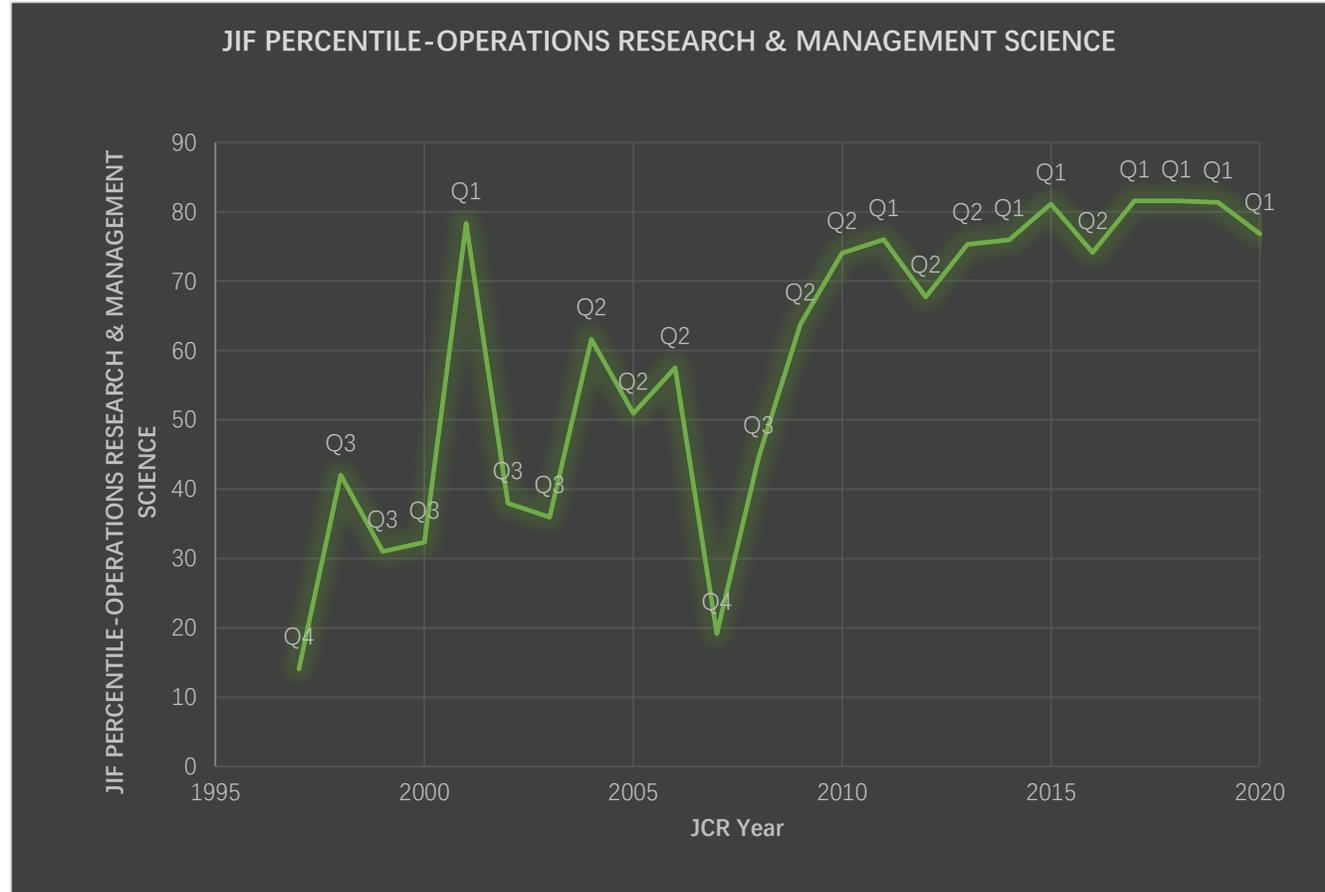
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2004	11/33	Q2	68.18
2005	14/33	Q2	59.09
2006	12/32	Q2	64.06
2007	26/33	Q4	22.73
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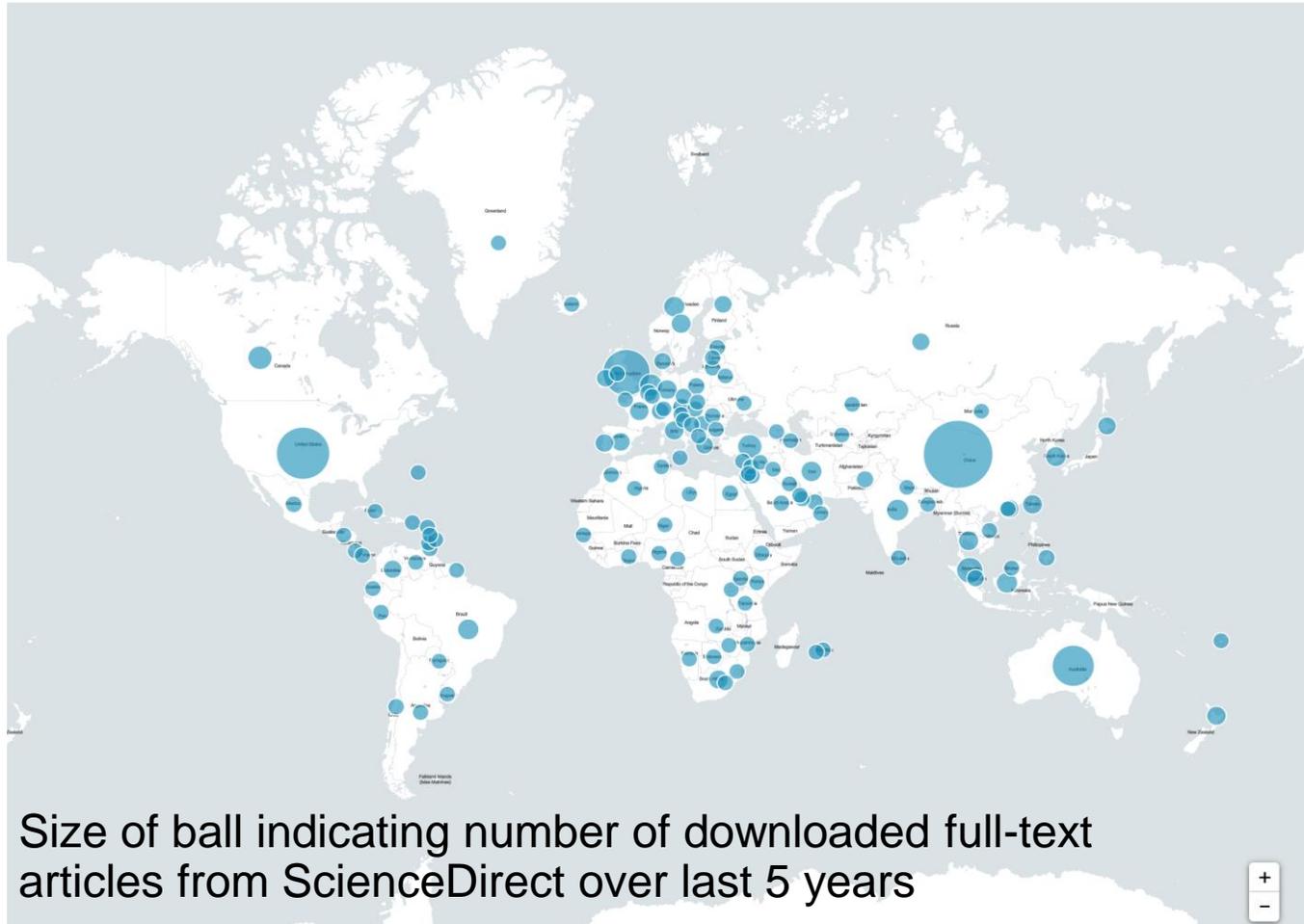
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2001	12/53	Q1	78.3
2002	34/54	Q3	37.96
2003	37/57	Q3	35.96
2004	22/56	Q2	61.61
2005	28/56	Q2	50.89
2006	26/60	Q2	57.5
2007	49/60	Q4	19.17
2008	36/64	Q3	44.53
2009	27/73	Q2	63.7
2010	20/75	Q2	74
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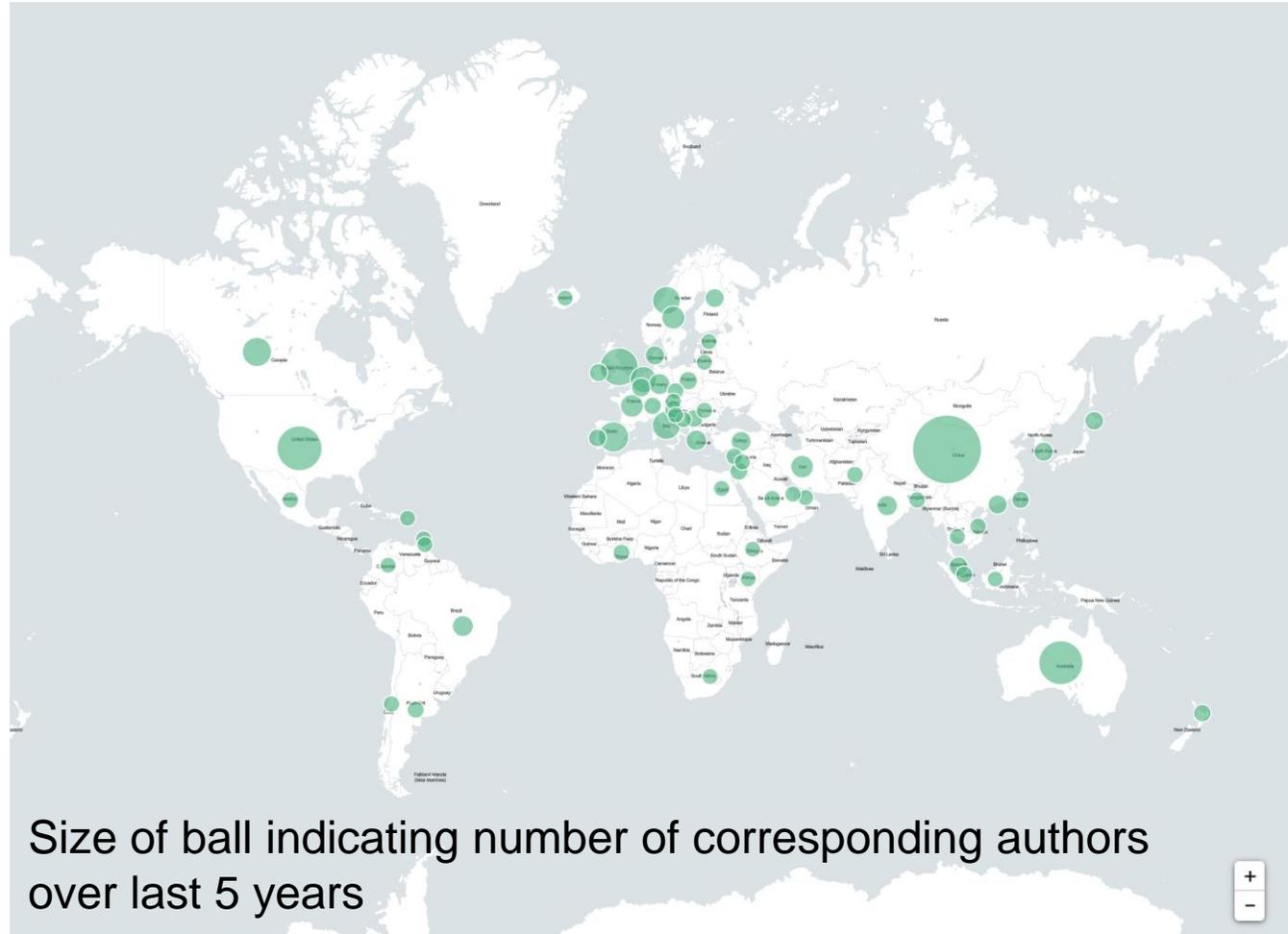


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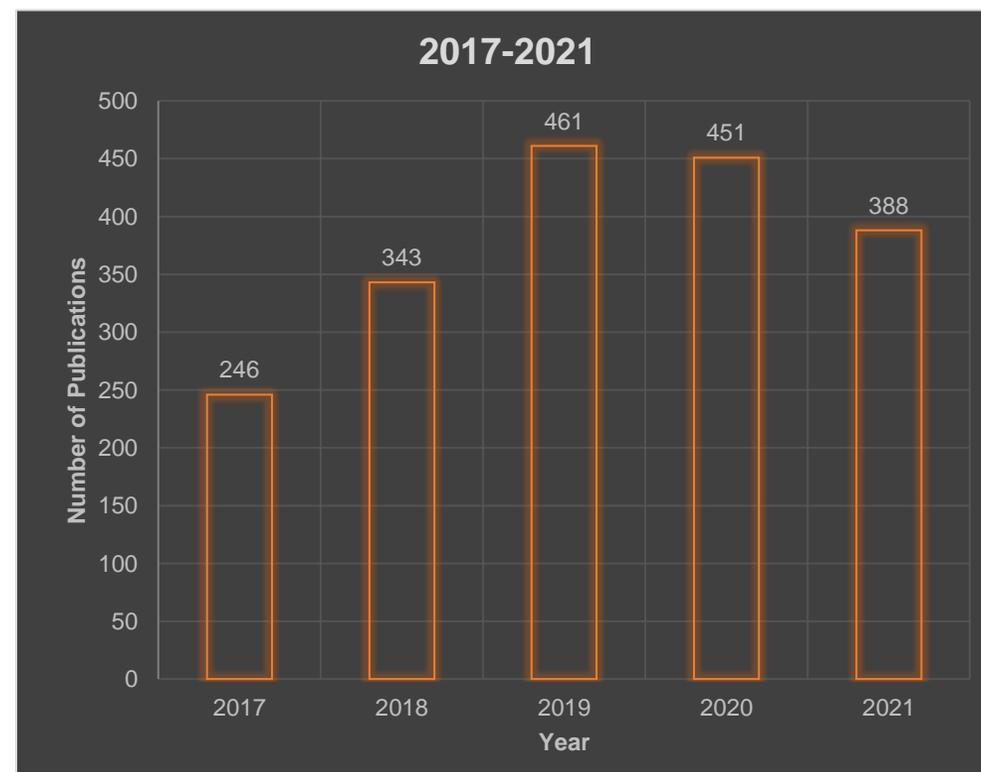
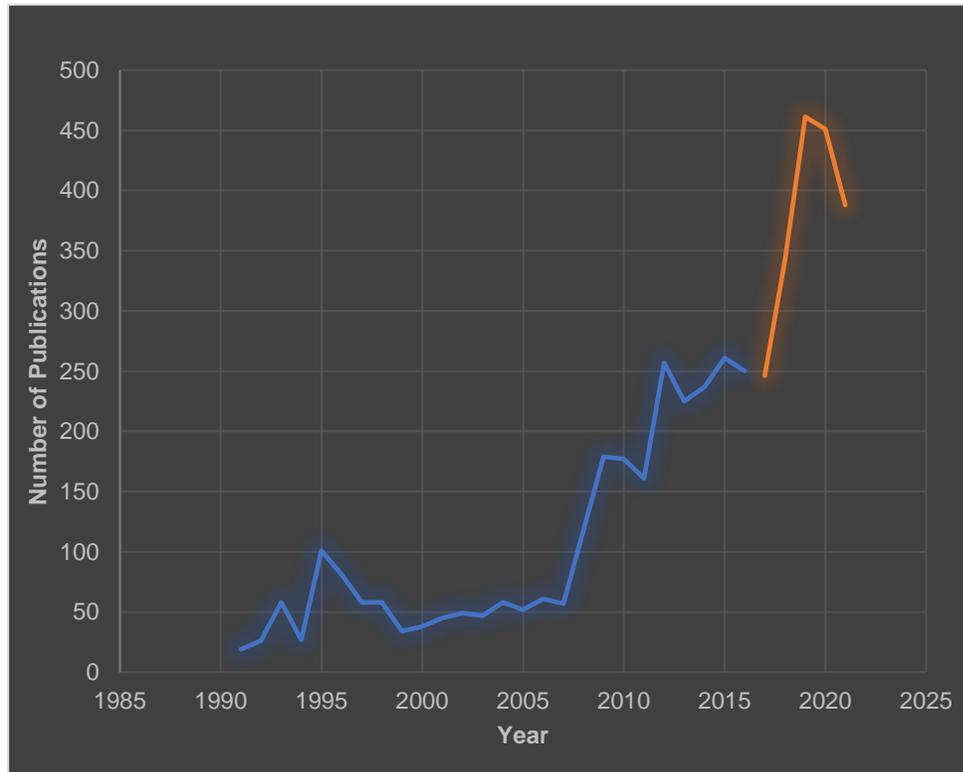
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Bibliometric mapping of Safety Science in recent 5 years

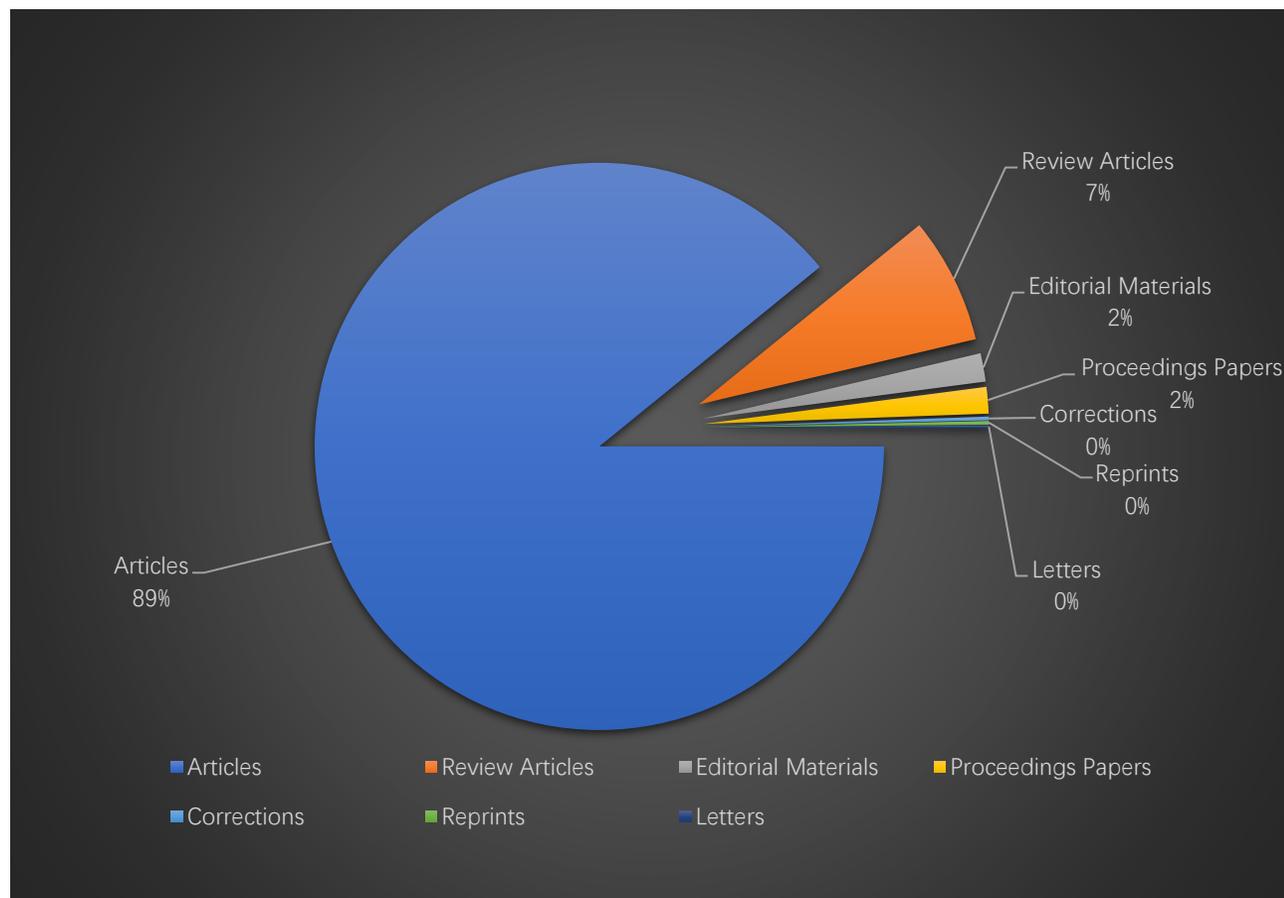
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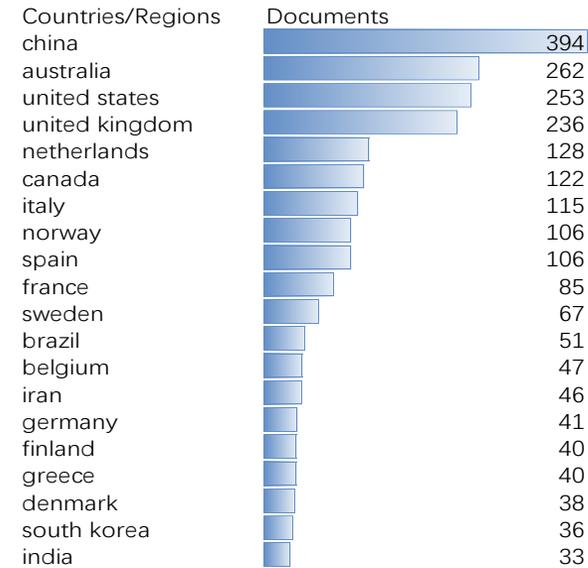
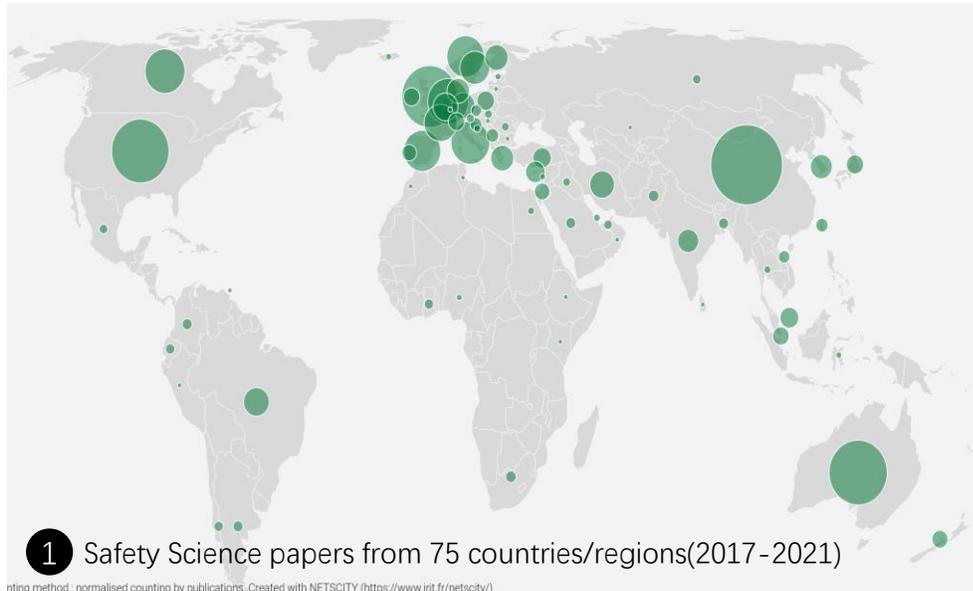
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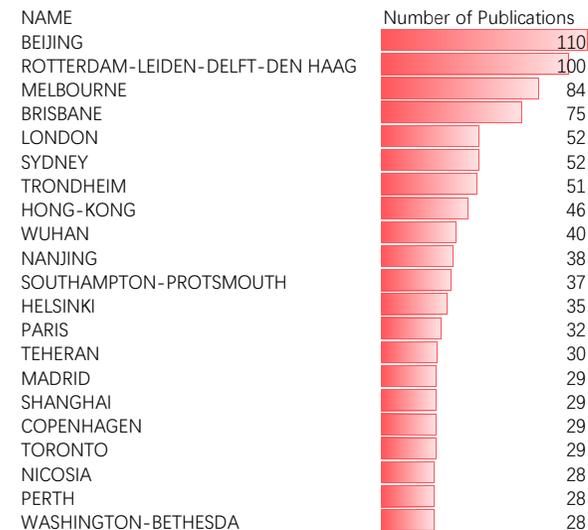
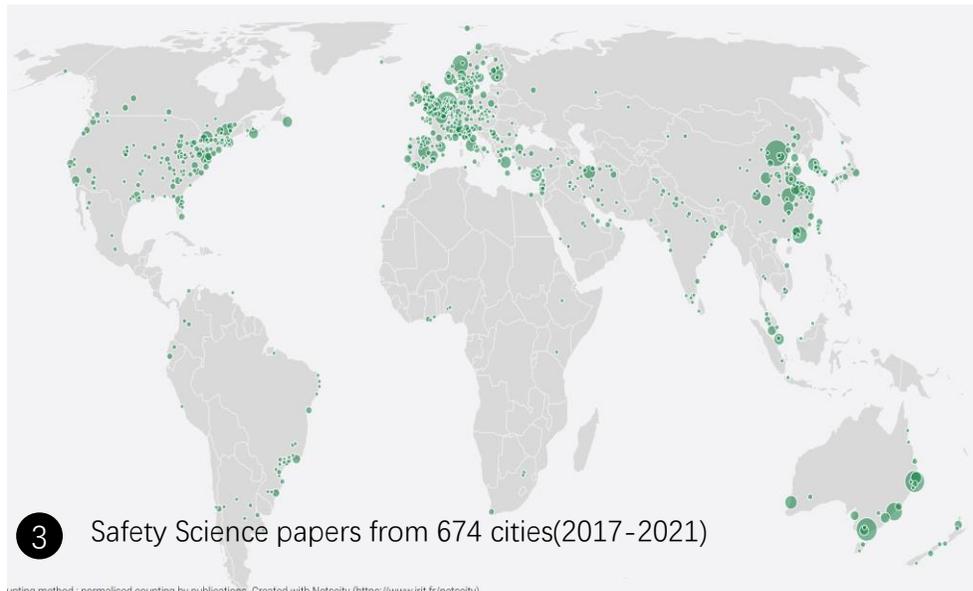


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Editorial Materials	31	1.641
Proceedings Papers	29	1.535
Corrections	4	0.212
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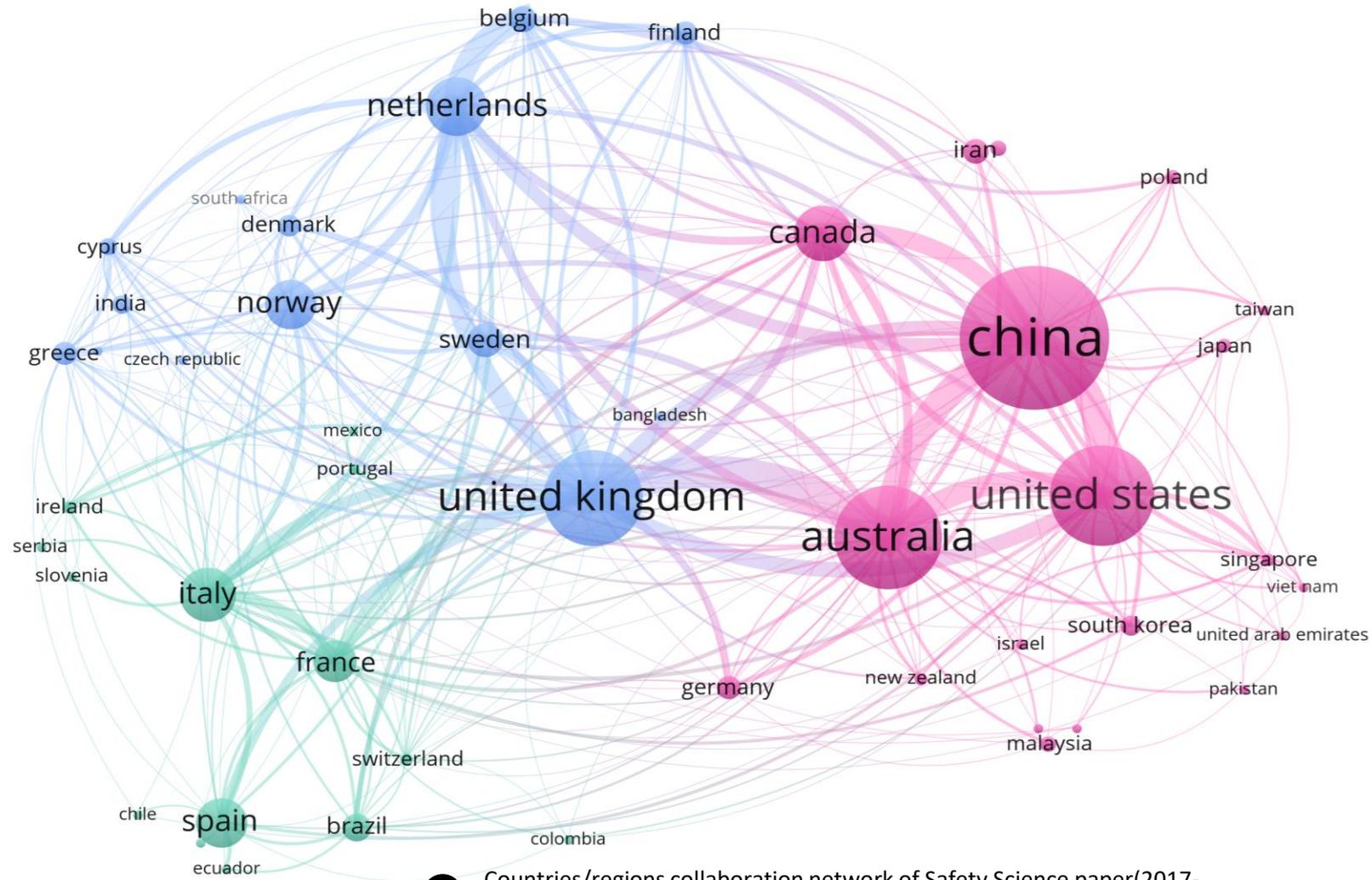


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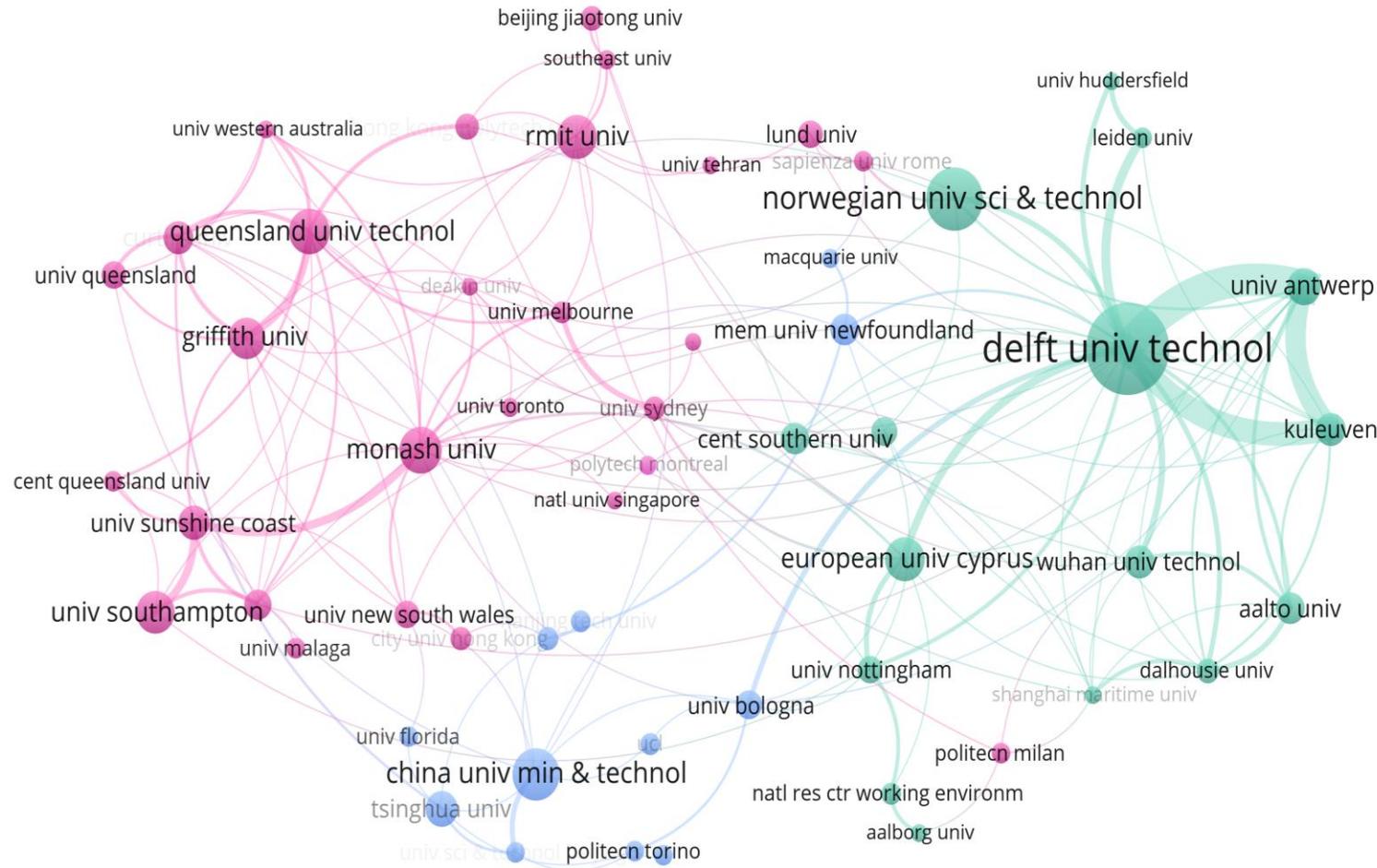


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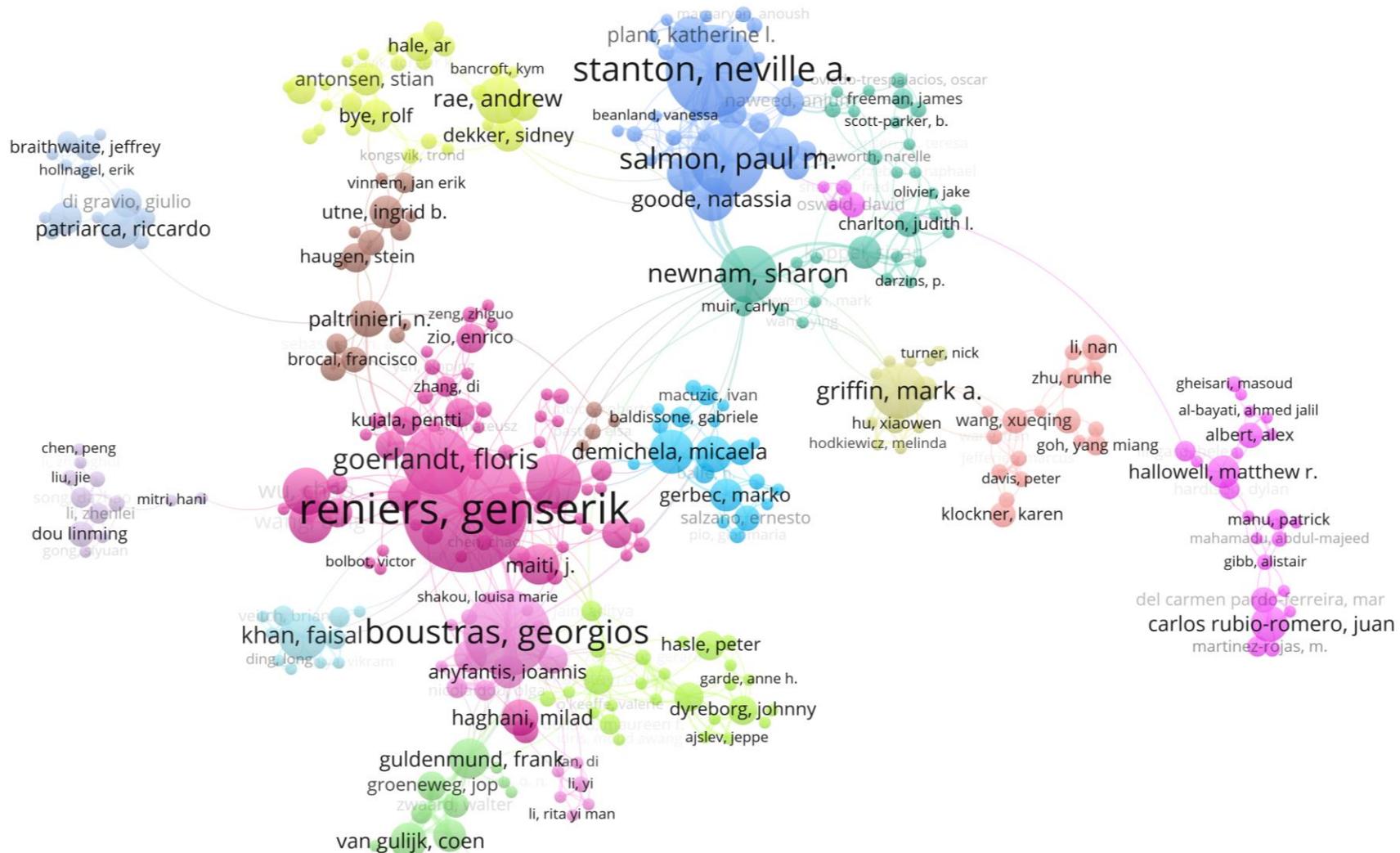


Institutions	Documents
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norwegian univ sci & technol	47
china univ min & technol	38
monash univ	33
queensland univ technol	31
univ antwerp	30
univ southampton	30
rmit univ	30
univ southampton	29
griffith univ	28
univ antwerp	25
tsinghua univ	23
univ sunshine coast	22
curtin univ	21
kuleuven	21
wuhan univ technol	21
aalto univ	20
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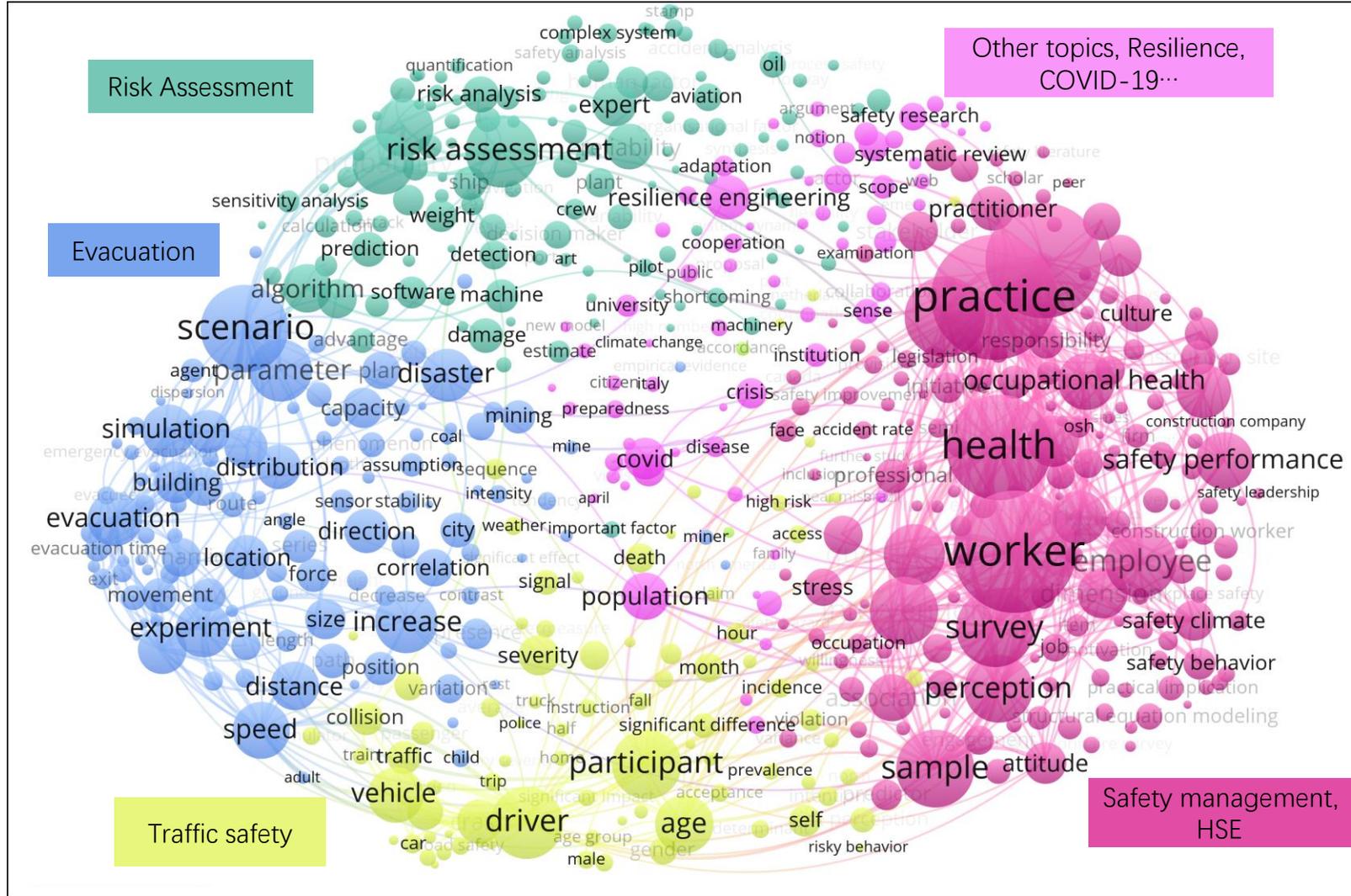
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reniers, genserik	36
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cozzani, valerio	13
griffin, mark a.	13
khan, faisal	11
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demichela, micaela	10
goode, natassia	10
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wang, bing	10
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maiti, j.	9
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watson, patrick	9
carlos rubio-romero, juan	8
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plant, katherine l.	8
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huang, lang	6
kines, pete	6
kujala, pentti	6
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provan, david j.	6
van gelder, pieter h. a. j. m.	6
walker, guy h.	6
wybo, jean-luc	6
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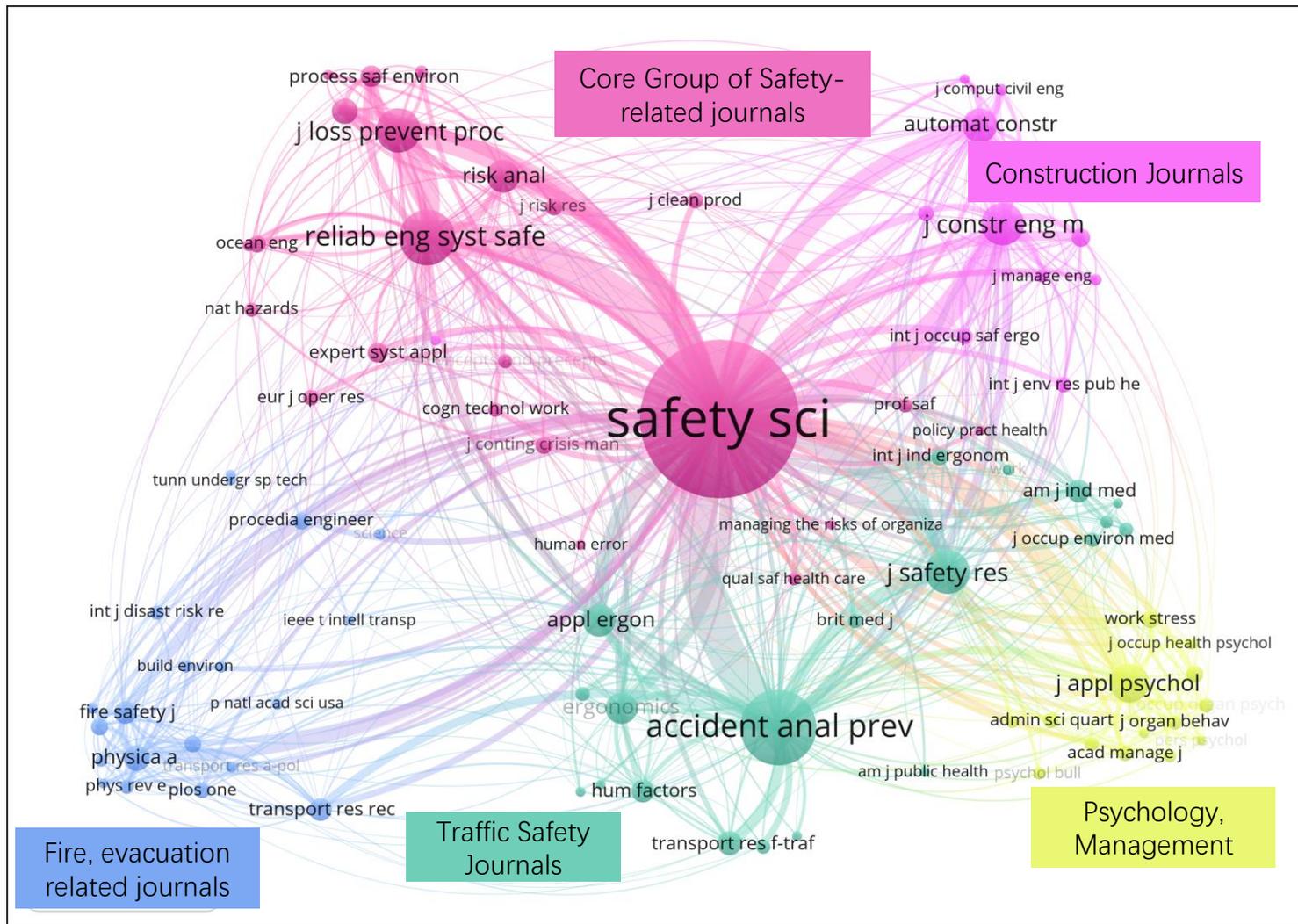
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Terms	Occurrences
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worker	240
organisation	226
health	200
scenario	159
interview	145
survey	138
sample	137
driver	126
risk assessment	125
employee	122
participant	121
intervention	118
perception	118
increase	106
parameter	106
questionnaire	103
probability	101
uncertainty	97
age	96
occupational health	95
safety performance	94
speed	94
experiment	92
vehicle	90
construction industry	87
evacuation	87
workplace	87
disaster	86
simulation	85

1 Terms clusters of Safety Science papers(2017-2021), these terms were extracted from the title and abstract of 1889 papers. View online: <https://tinyurl.com/y36tp8yu>

High cited journals by Safety Science (2017-2021)

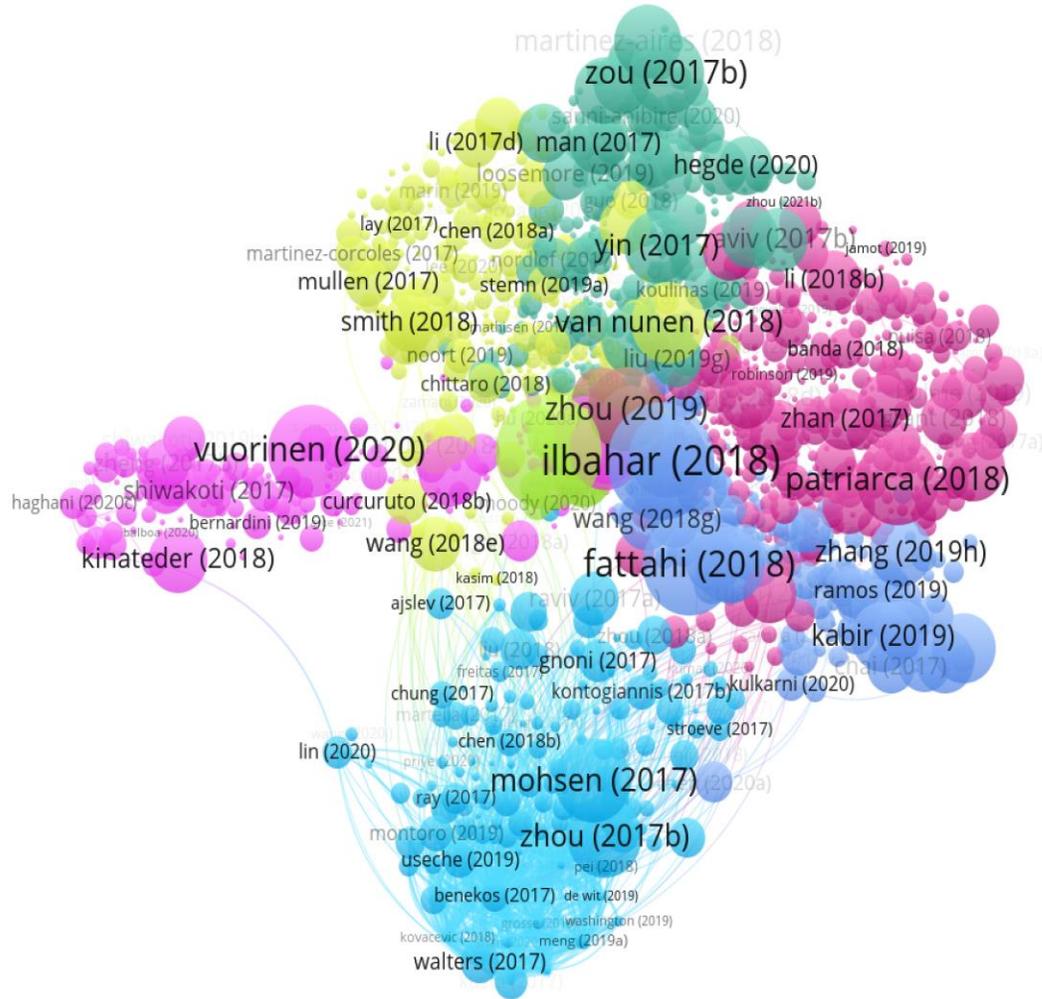


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Journals	Citations
safety sci	9467
accident anal prev	2789
reliab eng syst safe	1692
j loss prevent proc	1174
j safety res	1171
j constr eng m	1079
j appl psychol	929
automat constr	741
appl ergon	732
risk anal	693
ergonomics	674
j hazard mater	484
physica a	474
transport res f-traf	417
transport res rec	410
hum factors	408
fire safety j	384
am j ind med	379
process saf environ	362
expert syst appl	334
constr manag econ	296
work stress	265
j conting crisis man	261
ocean eng	256
fire technol	240
j occup health psych	240
int j ind ergonom	239
transport res c-emer	239
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procedia engineer	236

1 Journals co-citation network of Safety Science. The size of the node is proportional to the cited frequency.
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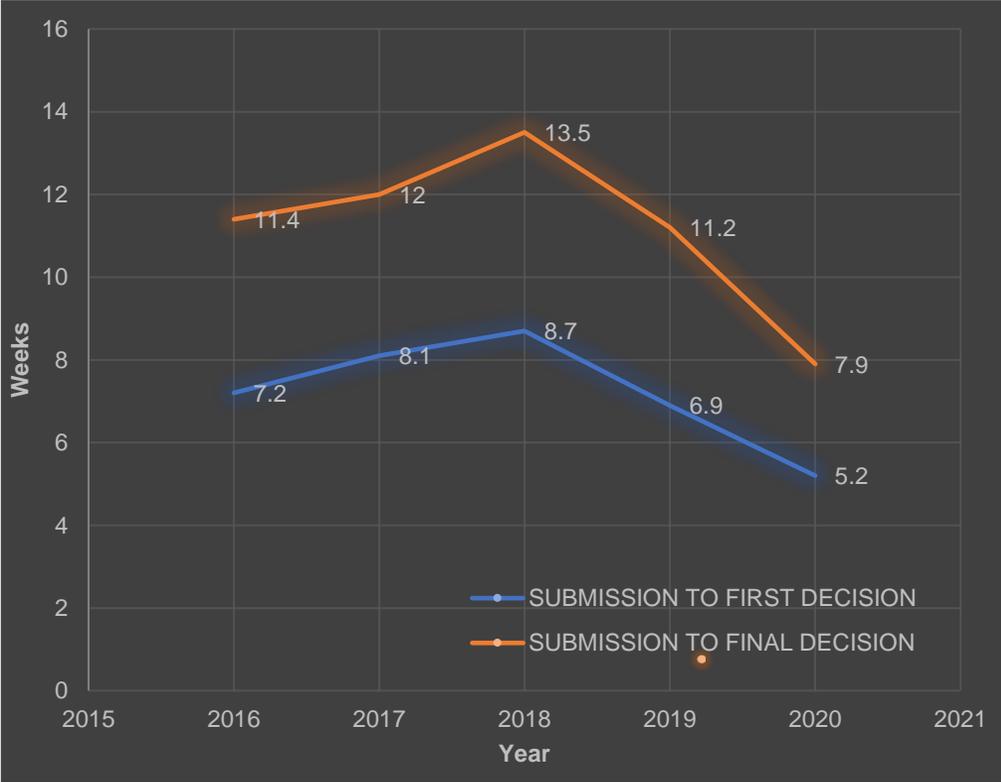
Top 10 High cited papers in Safety Science(2017-2021)



1 Bibliographic coupling cluster of 1889 papers

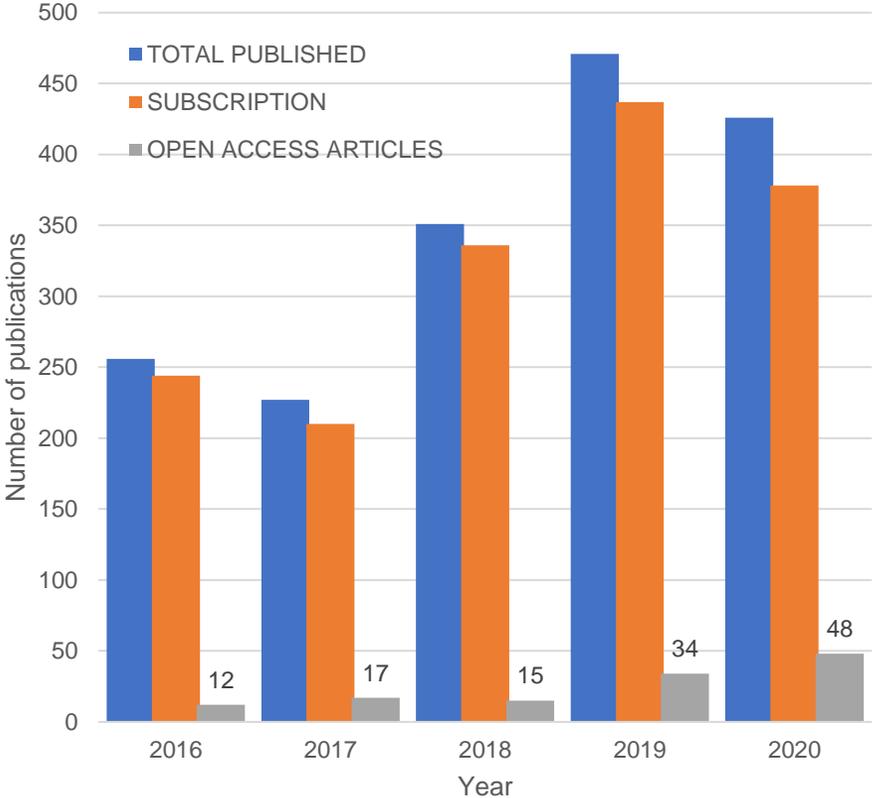
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1	A novel approach to risk assessment for occupational health and safety using Pythagorean fuzzy AHP & fuzzy inference system ilbahar, E.; Karasan, A. (-); Kahraman, C Mar 2018 SAFETY SCIENCE 103, pp.124-136	11	39	57	80	3	38	190	
2	Perceptions of autonomous vehicles: Relationships with road users, risk, gender and age Hulse, LM; Xie, H and Galea, ER Feb 2018 SAFETY SCIENCE 102, pp.1-13	6	46	66	65	3	37.2	186	
3	Risk evaluation using a novel hybrid method based on FMEA, extended MULTIMOORA, and AHP methods under fuzzy environment Fattahi, B and Khalilzadeh, M Feb 2018 SAFETY SCIENCE 102, pp.290-300	13	42	46	49	1	30.2	151	
4	Modelling aerosol transport and virus exposure with numerical simulations in relation to SARS-CoV-2 transmission by inhalation indoors Vuorinen, V; Aarnio, M. (-); Osterberg, M Oct 2020 SAFETY SCIENCE 130	0	0	16	108	5	43	129	
5	Resilience engineering: Current status of the research and future challenges Patriarca, R; Bergstrom, J. (-); Costantino, F Feb 2018 SAFETY SCIENCE 102, pp.79-100	18	23	34	45	3	24.6	123	
6	An extended VIKOR method based on entropy measure for the failure modes risk assessment - A case study of the geothermal power plant (GPP) Mohsen, O and Fereshteh, N Feb 2017 SAFETY SCIENCE 92, pp.160-172	16	25	27	39	0	18.17	109	
7	A new approximation for risk assessment using the AHP and Fine Kinney methodologies Kokangul, A; Polat, U and Dagsuyu, C Jan 2017 SAFETY SCIENCE 91, pp.24-32	20	22	30	25	1	18.17	109	
8	Slope stability prediction for circular mode failure using gradient boosting machine approach based on an updated database of case histories Zhou, J; Li, EM; (-); Mitri, HS Oct 2019 SAFETY SCIENCE 118, pp.505-518	0	7	44	57	0	27	108	
9	A review of risk management through BIM and BIM-related technologies Zou, J; Kiviniemi, A and Jones, SW Aug 2017 SAFETY SCIENCE 97, pp.88-98	11	31	24	34	1	17.83	107	
10	Bibliometric analysis of safety culture research van Nunen, K; Li, J. (-); Ponnert, K Oct 2018 SAFETY SCIENCE 108, pp.248-258	5	22	40	35	2	20.8	104	
11	D-DEMATEL: A new method to identify critical success factors in emergency management Zhou, XY; Shi, YQ; (-); Deng, Y Jan 2017 SAFETY SCIENCE 91, pp.93-104	25	15	20	23	1	17.33	104	

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