NUMBER OF REFERENCES, CITATION, H-INDEX

Proposal for a procedure in *Scopus*

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1   Introduction

This document presents a possible way forward, succinct, to obtain from *Scopus*, the number of references, number of citations, and H-index.

Warning: the procedure below is a possible ***example*** to obtain bibliometric indicators. The commercial databases taken into consideration index different journals and have different ways of counting / considering the measured quantities, and above all, count differently the authors cited; the results are therefore likely to vary widely depending upon the research conducted.

The *Département des bibliothèques et de l'information scientifique* cannot be held responsible if the data obtained by following the procedures described in this document do not conform to the expectations of policymakers who have required these data.

2   Number of references, citations and H-index in Scopus

2.1   First step: search for the author

The example deals with a particular author: *DuPont, Herbert L.*

Starting page of Scopus: https://www.scopus.com/search/form.uri?display=basic (access from the ULB campus, or via EZproxy, remotly).

Select the second tab: *Author*

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Enter the name with, potentially, the first name and/or affiliation:

Or the ORCID identifier:

Search results above (on *DuPont, Herbert L.*), below, can also be precised by using the proposed facets on the left of the screen, such as affiliation, city, country,...

Then click on the name of the corresponding author for the author you search for.

For the author *DuPont, Herbert L.*:

Metrics overview

679
Documents by author

28017
Citations by *16425 documents*

89
h-index: View *h*-graph

Document & citation trends

Analyze author output   Citation overview

Most contributed Topics ⓘ

View all Topics

679 Documents   Cited by 16425 Documents   0 Preprints ⁿᵉʷ   1057 Co-Authors   Topics

Export all   Add all to list

Sort by: Date (newest) ⌄

> View list in search results format

> View references

🔔 Set document alert

Article
Impact of Diabetes on the gut and salivary iga microbiomes
Brown, E.L., Essigmann, H.T., Hoffman, K.L., ...Hanis, C.L., DuPont, H.L.
Infection and Immunity, 2020, 88(12), e00301-20

View abstract ⌄   ViewIt@ULB   View at Publisher   Related documents

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Cited by

Article • Open Access
Renal impairment, C. difficile recurrence, and the differential effect of bezlotoxumab: A post hoc analysis of pooled data from 2 randomized clinical trials
Golan, Y., DuPont, H.L., Aldomiro, F., ...Hanson, M.E., Dorr, M.B.
Open Forum Infectious Diseases, 2020, 7(7), ofaa248

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Cited by

2.2   Number of references

The number of references attached to this author is mentioned in the *Metrics overview* section of the screen obtained after the search of an author here: 679.
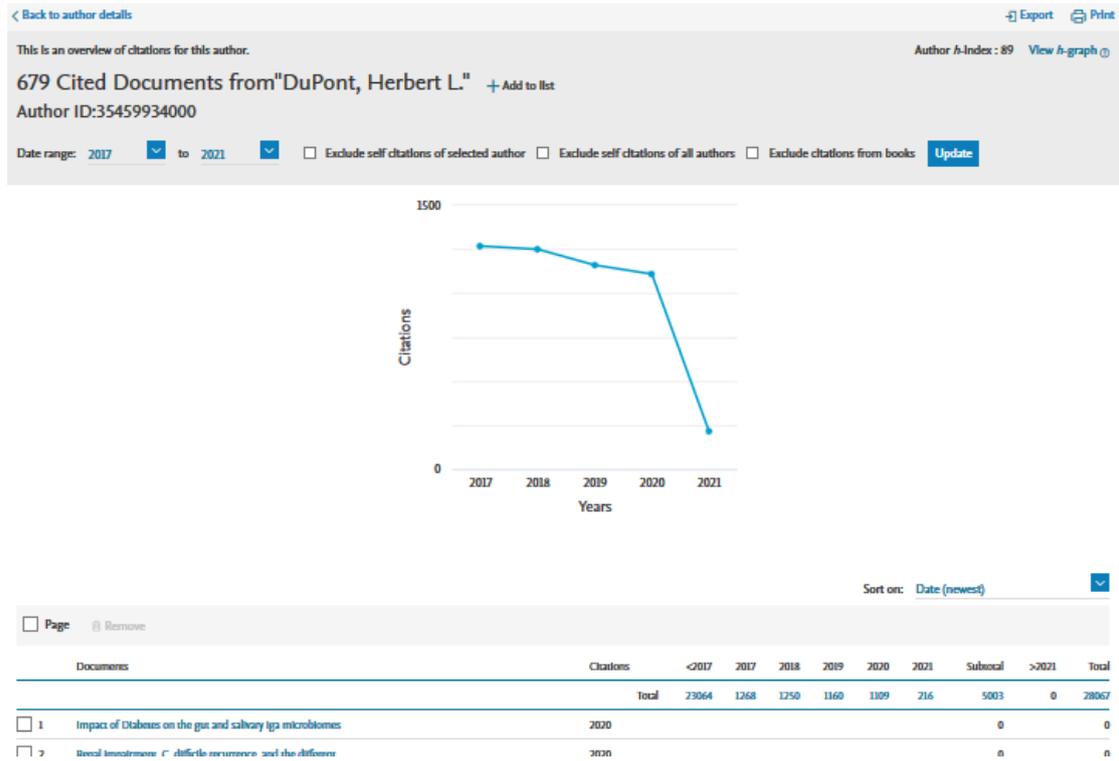
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2.3   Access to citations

Click in the screen obtained *Citation overview* below the graph:

This is an overview of citations for this author.   Author *h*-index : 89   View *h*-graph ⓘ

679 Cited Documents from"DuPont, Herbert L."   + Add to list
Author ID:35459934000

Date range: 2017 ⌄ to 2021 ⌄   ☐ Exclude self citations of selected author ☐ Exclude self citations of all authors ☐ Exclude citations from books   **Update**

Sort on: Date (newest) ⌄

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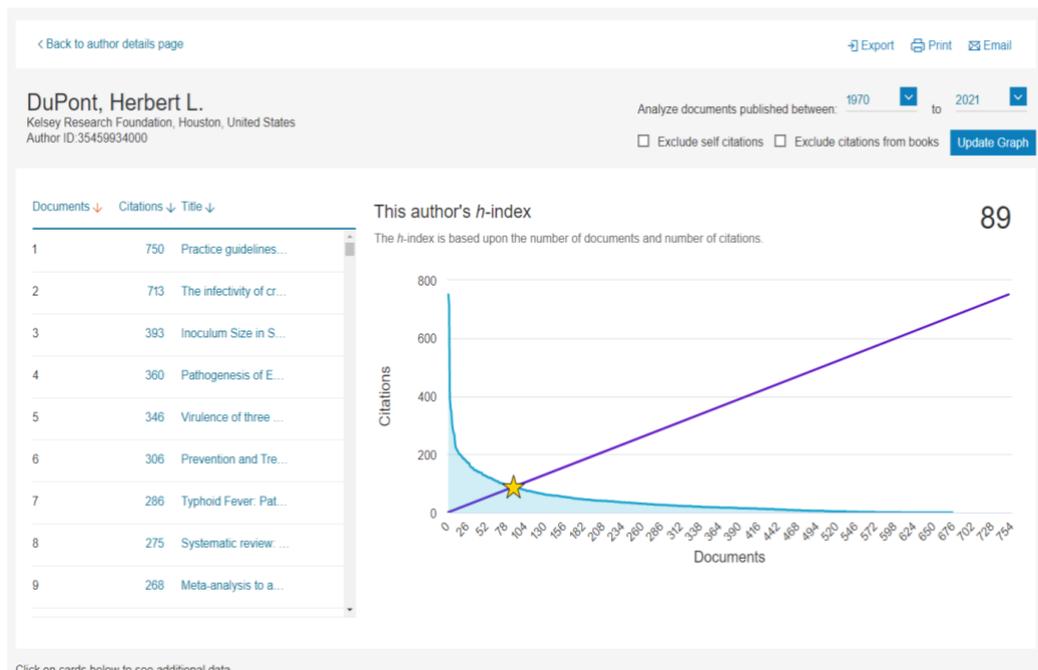|	Documents	Citations		<2017	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Subtotal	>2021	Total
			Total	23064	1268	1250	1160	1109	216	5003	0	28067
☐ 1	Impact of Diabetes on the gut and salivary IgA microbiomes	2020								0		0
☐ 2	Renal Impairment, C. difficile recurrence, and the different...	2020								0		0

The number of citations is displayed at the top of the table below the graph, on the right, here: 28067.

2.4   *Access to the* H-index

The *H-index* may be accessed:

-   by the window on the right of the citations screen
-   or by the window of the screen results obtained after a search of an author

More details on the *View h-graph*:

Other information is available on the same screen (years, subjects, citations, co-authors,…).

2.5 Alerts

To receive references/citations of an author by e-mail, please first create a personal account through the *Create accounr* tab (Scopus).

Your registration will also give you the ability to save searches and receive the results by e-mail.

3   Conclusions

Some remarks in relation to these indicators:

- It may be necessary to conduct multiple searches because an author may not be recognized in these databases in a unique way!

- Carefully consider the explanations given by the database producer regarding the indicators used. For example, in Scopus, you can choose to exclude self-citations by the author himself, and / or self-citations for each author, which will result in very different indicators values!

- ***All bibliometric indicators*** have 'by construction' bias, comparisons of indicators between different persons or publications may be completely inappropriate.

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