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RESEARCH RESPONSE ON “PEDIATRIC”: A SCIENTOMETRIC STUDY ON THE LITERATURE OUTPUT FROM WOS

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ABSTRACT

The hit rate of publications even more grew on the basis of everyday development in each and every department. To study the growth and publication trend in “PEDIATRIC” decided to use scientometric tools. The desired data were downloaded from web of science (WOS) on pediatric. The analysis was based on the year wise growth on publications, publications based on languages, document wise publications and top ten journals; the Lotka’s Law has been analyzed. The scope and hypothesis are framed for the present study. The research topic was “Research Response on “Pediatric”: A Scientometric Study on the Literature Output from WOS”.

Keywords: Scientometric, Pediatric, Hypothesis, WOS, Lotka’s Law.

1. INTRODUCTION

The word “Pediatric” derived from two Greek words that are Pais means child and iatros meaning doctor or healer. Pediatric is a division of medicine exclusively for infants, children and also for adolescents up to the age of 18. This pediatric department has been developed only in the mid of 19th century and “Abraham Jacobi (1830-1919) is known as the father of pediatric” (1-3). Scientometric is one of the most significant methods for evaluating the scientific productions. In recent years, Scientometric study has been showing the gradual improvement by using its techniques to scrutinize the research output of researchers and the development of a range of disciplines in sciences. “Modern Scientometrics is mostly based on the work of Eugene Garfield creator and founder of the Science Citation Index and the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) which is greatly used for Scientometric analysis”(4-5).

2. REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE

Elango (2017) the “Science Citation Index-expanded” (Sci-E), in tribology research the science citation index-expanded is used to get back the bibliographic records. A relative funding index, this is a new relative indicator is also introduced in this study. The higher number of cited reference will go to the funded research publications after that international collaborative papers than the papers published through non-funded publications. Comparatively the publications by single authored productivity are lower than non-funded ones. The funded and non-funded researches do not have any difference in citation impact.

Senthilkumar and Muthukrishnan (2017) analysis of “Scientific publication research productivity” published in the British Journal of Cancer for the period of 11 years from 2005 to 2015. The purpose of using different types of scientometric parameters like; author productivity, country wise distribution, degree of collaboration, annual growth rate, Institution wise distribution, and the research document type are done for analyzing the data. The study concludes with the publications totally 264 issues in the journal and 6818 by records.

Maity and Hatua (2015) Library and Information Science [LIS] gives the importance on research as doctoral level. In the year 1957 the first doctoral degree was given, and then slowly it sped up in the year 1990s. During 1950-2012 according to “INDCAT, Vidyanidhi, Inflibnet and University News databases it was found that about 1058 doctoral thesis have been produced through different universities in India. Current study is an effort in finding the trend in research field of LIS and analyzing the research activity during 1950-2012. This study results declare that 1058 numbers of doctoral thesis awarded in various universities for the past 63 years.

Aswathy and Gopikuttan (2012) in the list of premier journals in the field of space technology, the top positioned journal is “Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets”. It is published by American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. This analysis provides the details of bibliometric analysis of the
journal during the period of 2006-2010, which contains “780 papers and 15648 references. This analysis contains different parameters like growth pattern, authorship pattern and distributions with respect to subject, year, institution and geographical area”. The pattern of citing the authors is also analyzed from the given reference to each research paper. The most productive year also has been studied in this analysis.

Bar-Ilan (2008) the results observed from a research of google scholar is considerably different from the results which based on web of science and scopus. In the previous years the most single comprehensive source was ISI citation index. There were no other sources to rely on, although the citation index was often criticized for many reasons. The promotion committees of universities in worldwide will be using the data from the ISI citation index and the journal citation report (JCR) regularly. Freshly two options to the ISI citation indexes have come for the usage. One of the names is scopus maintained by Elsevier and the other one is google scholar [freely available]. “The science citation index [SCI] first published in print in the year of 1963, with citation data from 1961 [Garfield, 1963]”

Costas and Bordons (2006) the data downloaded from web of science (WOS) for the period 1994-2004, are used to find the relationship of the h-index with other bibliometric tools at the micro level is scrutinized for the scientists from Spanish CSIC in natural resources. The research performance described by different activity and impact tools, the h-index cited through factor analysis in a quantitative dimension extremely correlated with the absolute number of productivity and citations. The remaining proportions to be included in the analysis of research presentation of scientists and the threats are only rely on h-index are pressured. When the h-index is tested the hypothesis that the attainments of few strongly visible but intermediate productive authors are also underestimated when compared with other scientists.

Rahm and Thor (2005) the analysis on two important database [SIGMOD, VLDB] conferences on citation frequencies, the three database journals [TODS, VLDB Journal, Sigmod Record] over 10 years. The citation data is achieved by put together and clean-up data from “DBLP and Google Scholar”. This study consists of various relevant comparative metrics for each publication venue, in specific the sum and average count of citations and the impact factor which is measured for journals alone so far. This study established another fact that the “most cited papers, authors, author institutions and their countries”.

Brookes (1990) the word ”Scientometrics” was coined by Vassily V and Nalimov in the year 1960. This term has full-fledged in popularity and top position in describing the study about science. The scientometrics indistinguishable from bibliometric and many research papers published in the journal scientometrics. In public domain output is literature that is papers, patents etc., The Bibliometrics, scientometrics and informetrics literatures towards science and technology are (Wilson, 2001) Nagpaul et al. (1999) given 13 papers on the scientometric emerging trends. This is categorized in 3 different parts ie. Scientometrics, Policy of Science & Technology and the Structure & Dynamics.

3. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

➢ To analyze the year wise publication
➢ To assess the language wise percentage analysis
➢ To identify the document wise percentage analysis
➢ Identifying the top ten journals
➢ Scrutinizing the country wise publications.

4. METHODOLOGY

The worldwide data about pediatric are allowed access and also indexed in web of science (WOS), which were downloaded from the year 2001 to 2016 (16 years).

Fig. 1. The model of WOS (Web of science) platform with literature databases

In the web of science platform many fields will be available to extract the data, in that “Number of Records” to be filled by 1 to 500. [Only 500 records can be downloaded at a time] it means the total number of records for this study 20615, so 41 times
the data to be downloaded for the whole required records. Next in the field of record content to be filled as full record and cited references with plain text, at last by clicking sent option the data will be downloaded.

5. RESULTS

5.1. The analysis of yearwise publications

In the yearwise analysis on pediatric contains the period of 2001 to 2016 the data reveals that 20615 and the following table shows the yearwise publications on pediatric in global level.

Table 1. Year wise productivity

| S.No | Year | Records | %  | Rank |
|------|------|---------|----|------|
| 1    | 2001 | 478     | 2.3| 16   |
| 2    | 2002 | 493     | 2.4| 15   |
| 3    | 2003 | 546     | 2.6| 14   |
| 4    | 2004 | 591     | 2.9| 13   |
| 5    | 2005 | 716     | 3.5| 12   |
| 6    | 2006 | 839     | 4.1| 11   |
| 7    | 2007 | 875     | 4.2| 10   |
| 8    | 2008 | 1105    | 5.4| 9    |
| 9    | 2009 | 1697    | 8.2| 8    |
| 10   | 2010 | 1828    | 8.9| 5    |
| 11   | 2011 | 1950    | 9.5| 3    |
| 12   | 2012 | 2068    | 10 | 1    |
| 13   | 2013 | 1866    | 9.1| 4    |
| 14   | 2014 | 1764    | 8.6| 7    |
| 15   | 2015 | 1995    | 9.7| 2    |
| 16   | 2016 | 1804    | 8.8| 6    |
|      |      | **TOTAL**| **20615**| **100** |

The table 1 indicates that the growth of the publication during the study period are seems to be neither in a firm constant growing trend nor declining trend. It is analyzed that, the year 2012 shows the publications as 2068 records which is holds the first place and the most productive year. The year 2015 took the second place with 1995 publications and the year 2011 holds the third place with 1950 research records.

5.2. The analysis of document wise publications

Totally 20615 research records are published during the study period on pediatric over the world and totally fifteen types of research documents are involved. Out of fifteen types of documents "Article" took the first place with 15913 (77.2%). Second place goes to "Review" document with 1846 (9%), "Editorial Material" document holds the third place with 1196 (5.8%).

Table 2. Document wise publications

| Sl.No | Document Type    | Records | %  |
|-------|------------------|---------|----|
| 1     | Article          | 15913   | 77.2|
| 2     | Review           | 1846    | 9  |
| 3     | Editorial Material | 1196   | 5.8|
| 4     | Article:Proceedings Paper | 747 | 3.6 |
| 5     | Meeting Abstract | 608     | 2.9|
| 6     | Letter           | 153     | 0.7|
| 7     | Book Review      | 31      | 0.2|
| 8     | News Item        | 29      | 0.1|
| 9     | Biographical-Item | 26    | 0.1|
| 10    | Reprint          | 26      | 0.1|
| 11    | Correction       | 24      | 0.1|
| 12    | Review:Book Chapter | 10  | 0  |
| 13    | Article:Book Chapter | 4   | 0  |
| 14    | Article:Retracted Publication | 1  | 0  |
| 15    | Poetry           | 1       | 0  |

|      | **TOTAL** | **20615** |

5.3. The analysis of language wise publications

The following table-3 denotes that totally nineteen languages were involved towards the publication of 20615 research records on “Pediatric”, in which the language “English” plays the major role in publishing 19425 (94.2%) records and holds the first place among all the other 18 languages. The second place holds by “Spanish” language with 361 (1.8%) records and the third place took by the language of “German” with 341 (1.7%) research records.
Table 3 – Analysis of Language wise publications

| S. No. | Language | Records | %   |
|--------|----------|---------|-----|
| 1      | English  | 19425   | 94.2|
| 2      | Spanish  | 361     | 1.8 |
| 3      | German   | 341     | 1.7 |
| 4      | French   | 339     | 1.6 |
| 5      | Portuguese | 61     | 0.3 |
| 6      | Turkish  | 34      | 0.2 |
| 7      | Italian  | 13      | 0.1 |
| 8      | Croatian | 9       | 0   |
| 9      | Korean   | 9       | 0   |
| 10     | Russian  | 6       | 0   |
| 11     | Polish   | 5       | 0   |
| 12     | Hungarian| 3       | 0   |
| 13     | Icelandic| 2       | 0   |
| 14     | Slovene  | 2       | 0   |
| 15     | Arabic   | 1       | 0   |
| 16     | Czech    | 1       | 0   |
| 17     | Georgian | 1       | 0   |
| 18     | Japanese | 1       | 0   |
| 19     | Serbian  | 1       | 0   |
| **Total** |          | **20615** |     |

| 5.4. The analysis of journal wise publications |

The following table 4 shows the leading top ten journals are identified, in which the journal "Pediatrics" holds the first place with 4083 research records. The journal entitled as "Journal of pediatric infectious" took the second place with 385 publications. Third place took by the journal called "Circulation" with 324 records. The journal named "Pediatric critical care medicine" with 300 records, "Journal of urology" with 254 records. Third place took by the journal called "Circulation" with 324 records. The journal named "Pediatric critical care medicine" with 300 records, "Journal of urology" with 254 records, "Clinical pediatric" with 214 records, "Pediatric infectious disease journal" with 194 records, "Archives de pediatric" with 183 records, "Pediatric blood & cancer" with 171, "Monatsschrift kinderheilkunde" with 169 records placed 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th respectively.

Table 4 – Analysis of Journal wise publications

| S. No. | Journal                           | Records |
|--------|-----------------------------------|---------|
| 1      | Pediatrics                        | 4083    |
| 2      | Journal of pediatric infectious   | 385     |
| 3      | Circulation                      | 324     |
| 4      | Pediatric critical care medicine  | 300     |
| 5      | Journal of urology               | 254     |
| 6      | Clinical pediatric               | 214     |
| 7      | Pediatric infectious disease journal | 194   |
| 8      | Archives de pediatric            | 183     |
| 9      | Pediatric blood & cancer         | 171     |
| 10     | Monatsschrift kinderheilkunde    | 169     |

5.5. The analysis of country wise publications

The following table 5 indicates the country wise publications in which the “United States of America” stands first in publishing most number of research records on “Pediatric” with 11754, secondly “Canada” holds the place with 1636 records. Third place took by “United Kingdom” with 827 research records.

Table 5. Analysis of Country wise publications

| S.No | Country          | Records |
|------|------------------|---------|
| 1    | United States    | 11754   |
| 2    | Canada           | 1636    |
| 3    | United Kingdom   | 827     |
| 4    | Germany          | 703     |
| 5    | France           | 698     |
| 6    | Italy            | 674     |
| 7    | Australia        | 527     |
| 8    | Netherlands      | 503     |
| 9    | Spain            | 418     |
### Table 6. Application of Lotka’s Law

| No. of contribution (x) | No. of contributors (y) | $\Sigma x = \log x$ | $\Sigma y = \log y$ | x$^2$ | $XY$ | $y/\Sigma y$ | $\Sigma (y/\Sigma y)$ | $1/x^n$ | Fe=C($1/x^n$) | CT | D |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------|------|-------------|-------------------|-------|---------------|----|---|
| 1                      | 50421                   | 0.000               | 10.828              | 0.000 | 0.000| 0.761       | 0.761             | 1.000 | 0.6100        | 0.61 | -0.151 |
| 2                      | 8791                    | 0.693               | 9.081               | 0.480 | 6.295| 0.133       | 0.894             | 0.250 | 0.1525        | 0.8  | -0.131 |
| 3                      | 3077                    | 1.099               | 8.032               | 1.207 | 8.824| 0.046       | 0.940             | 0.111 | 0.0678        | 0.8  | -0.110 |
| 4                      | 1471                    | 1.386               | 7.294               | 1.922 | 10.111| 0.022       | 0.962             | 0.063 | 0.0381        | 0.9  | -0.094 |
| 5                      | 771                     | 1.609               | 6.648               | 2.590 | 10.699| 0.012       | 0.974             | 0.040 | 0.0244        | 0.9  | -0.081 |
| 6                      | 527                     | 1.792               | 6.267               | 3.210 | 11.229| 0.008       | 0.982             | 0.028 | 0.0169        | 0.9  | -0.072 |
| 7                      | 333                     | 1.946               | 5.808               | 3.787 | 11.302| 0.005       | 0.987             | 0.020 | 0.0124        | 0.9  | -0.065 |
| 8                      | 229                     | 2.079               | 5.434               | 4.324 | 11.299| 0.003       | 0.990             | 0.016 | 0.0095        | 0.9  | -0.059 |
| 9                      | 159                     | 2.197               | 5.069               | 4.828 | 11.138| 0.002       | 0.993             | 0.012 | 0.0075        | 0.9  | -0.053 |
| 10                     | 106                     | 2.303               | 4.663               | 5.302 | 10.738| 0.002       | 0.994             | 0.010 | 0.0061        | 0.9  | -0.049 |
| 11                     | 86                      | 2.398               | 4.454               | 5.750 | 10.681| 0.001       | 0.996             | 0.008 | 0.0050        | 1.0  | -0.045 |
| 12                     | 58                      | 2.485               | 4.060               | 6.175 | 10.090| 0.001       | 0.996             | 0.007 | 0.0042        | 1.0  | -0.042 |
| 13                     | 41                      | 2.565               | 3.714               | 6.579 | 9.525 | 0.001       | 0.997             | 0.006 | 0.0036        | 1.0  | -0.039 |
| 14                     | 45                      | 2.639               | 3.807               | 6.965 | 10.046| 0.001       | 0.998             | 0.005 | 0.0031        | 1.0  | -0.036 |
| 15                     | 30                      | 2.708               | 3.401               | 7.334 | 9.211 | 0.000       | 0.998             | 0.004 | 0.0027        | 1.0  | -0.034 |
| 16                     | 15                      | 2.773               | 2.708               | 7.687 | 7.508 | 0.000       | 0.998             | 0.004 | 0.0024        | 1.0  | -0.032 |
| 17                     | 14                      | 2.833               | 2.639               | 8.027 | 7.477 | 0.000       | 0.999             | 0.003 | 0.0021        | 1.0  | -0.030 |
| 18                     | 14                      | 2.890               | 2.639               | 8.354 | 7.628 | 0.000       | 0.999             | 0.003 | 0.0019        | 1.0  | -0.028 |
| 19                     | 13                      | 2.944               | 2.565               | 8.670 | 7.552 | 0.000       | 0.999             | 0.003 | 0.0017        | 1.0  | -0.027 |
|     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 20  | 12  | 2.996 | 2.485 | 8.974 | 7.444 | 0.000 | 0.999 | 0.003 | 0.0015 | 1.0 | -0.026 |
| 21  | 9   | 3.045 | 2.197 | 9.269 | 6.689 | 0.000 | 0.999 | 0.002 | 0.0014 | 1.0 | -0.024 |
| 22  | 10  | 3.091 | 2.303 | 9.555 | 7.117 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.002 | 0.0013 | 1.0 | -0.023 |
| 23  | 6   | 3.135 | 1.792 | 9.831 | 5.618 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.002 | 0.0012 | 1.0 | -0.022 |
| 25  | 5   | 3.219 | 1.609 | 10.361 | 5.181 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.002 | 0.0010 | 1.0 | -0.021 |
| 26  | 7   | 3.258 | 1.946 | 10.615 | 6.340 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0009 | 1.0 | -0.020 |
| 27  | 5   | 3.296 | 1.609 | 10.863 | 5.304 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0008 | 1.0 | -0.020 |
| 28  | 5   | 3.332 | 1.609 | 11.104 | 5.363 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0008 | 1.0 | -0.019 |
| 29  | 4   | 3.367 | 1.386 | 11.339 | 4.668 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0007 | 1.0 | -0.018 |
| 30  | 3   | 3.401 | 1.099 | 11.568 | 3.737 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0007 | 1.0 | -0.018 |
| 31  | 4   | 3.434 | 1.386 | 11.792 | 4.761 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0006 | 1.0 | -0.017 |
| 32  | 3   | 3.466 | 1.099 | 12.011 | 3.808 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0006 | 1.0 | -0.017 |
| 33  | 2   | 3.497 | 0.693 | 12.226 | 2.424 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0006 | 1.0 | -0.016 |
| 34  | 1   | 3.526 | 0.000 | 12.435 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0005 | 1.0 | -0.016 |
| 35  | 4   | 3.555 | 1.386 | 12.640 | 4.929 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0005 | 1.0 | -0.015 |
| 36  | 1   | 3.584 | 0.000 | 12.842 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0005 | 1.0 | -0.015 |
| 38  | 1   | 3.638 | 0.000 | 13.232 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0004 | 1.0 | -0.014 |
| 39  | 1   | 3.664 | 0.000 | 13.422 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0004 | 1.0 | -0.014 |
| 42  | 1   | 3.738 | 0.000 | 13.970 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.001 | 0.0003 | 1.0 | -0.014 |
| 50  | 2   | 3.912 | 0.693 | 15.304 | 2.712 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.0002 | 1.0 | -0.013 |
| 52  | 1   | 3.951 | 0.000 | 15.612 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.0002 | 1.0 | -0.013 |
| 97  | 1   | 4.575 | 0.000 | 20.928 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.0001 | 1.0 | -0.013 |
| **Total** | 66289 | 116.02 | 122.40 | 363.08 | 247.45 | 1.000 | 40.46 | 1.62 | 1.0 |  |  |


5.6. Application of Lotka’s Law

It was identified that the value of n in pediatric research output in global is 2.86, the Lotka’s law, finding was n= 2 while the outcome of Lotka’s law result in our study was found to be 2.86. Hence the present analysis invalidates the Lotka’s results. So that based on the observation the Lotka’s Law will not fit in to the authors’ productivity of this study.

The hypothesis framed as H0- “No significant relationship between the Lotka’s Law and the author productivity”.

6. CONCLUSION

In this study during the year 2001 to 2016 the total research records were 20615. It is observed that in the analysis of yearwise publications the year 2012 shows the publications as 2068 records which is holds the first place and the most productive year. The year 2015 took the second place with 1995 publications and the year 2011 holds the third place with 1950 research records. In the analysis of document wise publications, out of fifteen types of documents “Article” took the first place with 15913 (77.2%). Second place goes to “Review” document with 1846 (9%), “Editorial Material” document holds the third place with 1196 (5.8%). In the language wise analysis language “English” plays the major role in publishing 19425 (94.2%) records and holds the first place among all the other 18 languages. The second place holds by “Spanish” language with 361 (1.8%) records and the third place took by the language of “German” with 341 (1.7%) research records. In the observation of journal wise publications journal “Pediatrics” holds the first place with 4083 research records. The journal entitled as “Journal of pediatric infectious” took the second place with 385 publications. Third place took by the journal called “Circulation” with 324 records. In the analysis of country wise publications the “United States of America” stands first in publishing most number of research records on “Pediatric” with 11754, secondly “Canada” holds the place with 1636 records. Third place took by “United Kingdom” with 827 research records.

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