

# Data and Technology for Good: Elsevier's Developments in Al 資料和技術造福人類: Elsevier 在人工智慧領域的發展

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# Information overload & authenticity

# Scientific information is growing rapidly

Global publication output has grown at the rate of

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The increase of scientific information from multiple sources poses a significant challenge



The research community often tells us that they need help with scientific literature reviews.

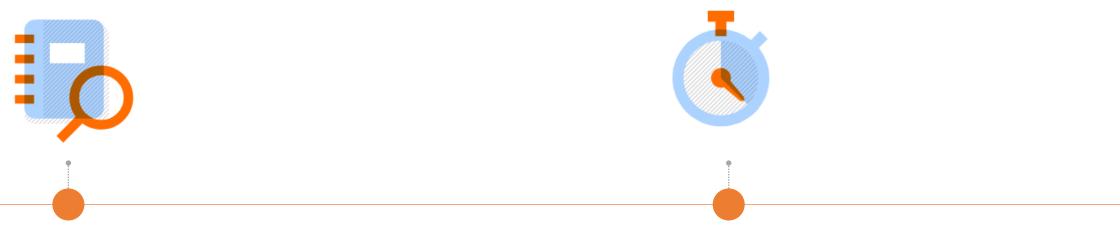


According to our recent study\*, researchers spend significant time searching for relevant content, and only half of the articles read are considered useful.

With article output growing, staying up to date with the latest trusted research is becoming harder.



In this new era of technology, information will continue to increase much faster



 Overall growth rates of scientific literature are expected to rise by 4.10% annually with a doubling time of 17.3 years<sup>1</sup>  With the introduction of AI tools, such as ChatGPT, we expect the doubling time to reduce from 17.3 years to 12.6 years.



Researchers will be further overwhelmed with the sea of scientific information available

Not only is trusted scientific information increasing, but the amount of misinformation is also increasing and is a major concern for **researchers** 

Covid-19 saw widespread misinformation disseminated across traditional media, social media and even in policy circles - Confidence in Research Report, 2022

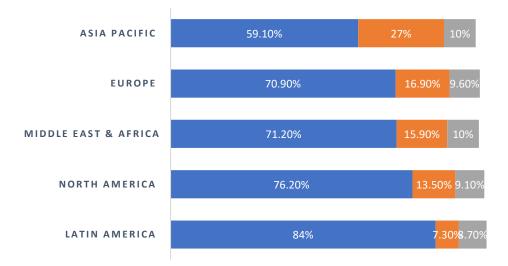


Across the board, the pandemic has spurred concerns around misinformation.

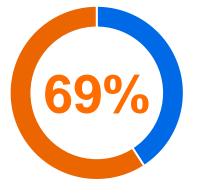


The pandemic increased the importance of separating good quality research from misinformation.

■ Agree ■ Neutral ■ Disagree



• Sample size (N): North America (N = 849) Latin America (N = 126) Europe (N = 817) Asia Pacific (N = 1163) Middle East and Africa (N = 189)



Of researchers surveyed say that the pandemic has increased the importance of separating good quality research from misinformation

## Information overload is affecting researchers' efficiency

- Researchers are required to constantly filter out information that is either not relevant or authentic.
- This is exceptionally time-consuming and lengthens their research workflow. It impacts the overall quality of education, research output and outcomes for an institution and student experience.

Researchers already overwhelmed by bench and field work, grant-writing, publishing and other responsibilities, trying to navigate the growing deluge of information can be overwhelming.

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"We live in a digital age when misinformation or erroneous information is rampant. That's why the quality of scientific research and the professional judgments of peer-reviewers are crucial. They are our key gatekeepers of good, accurate information"

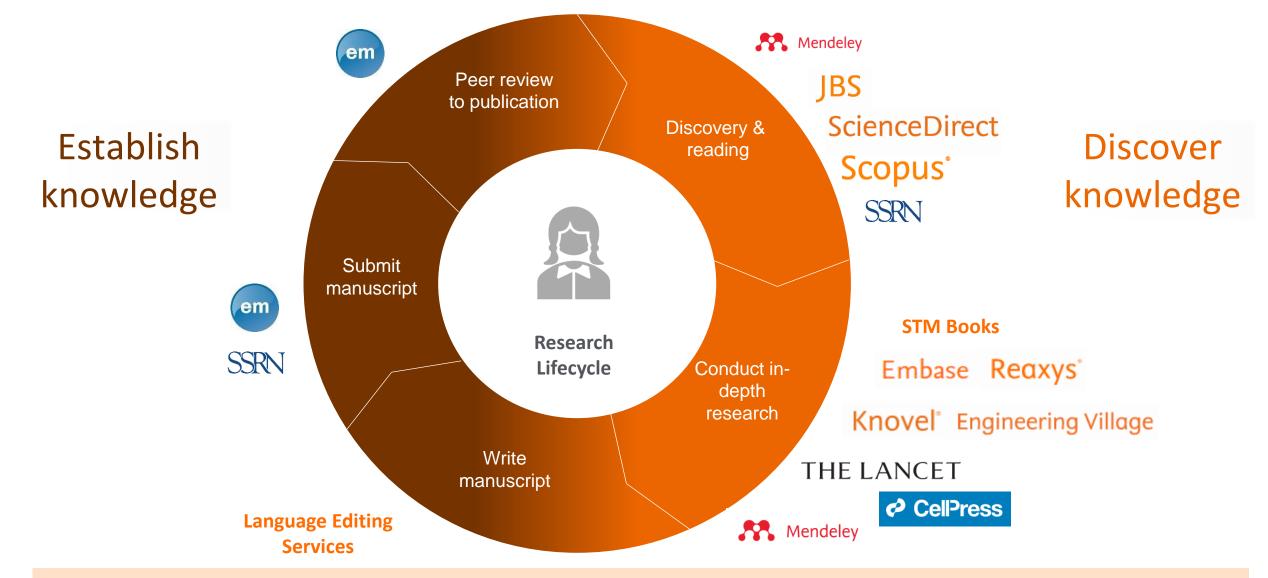
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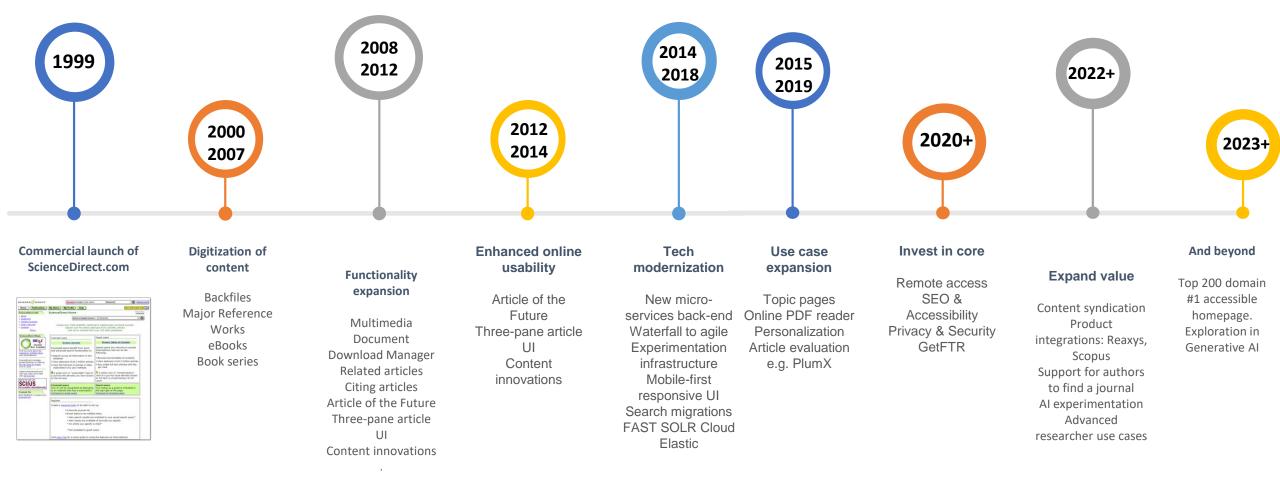
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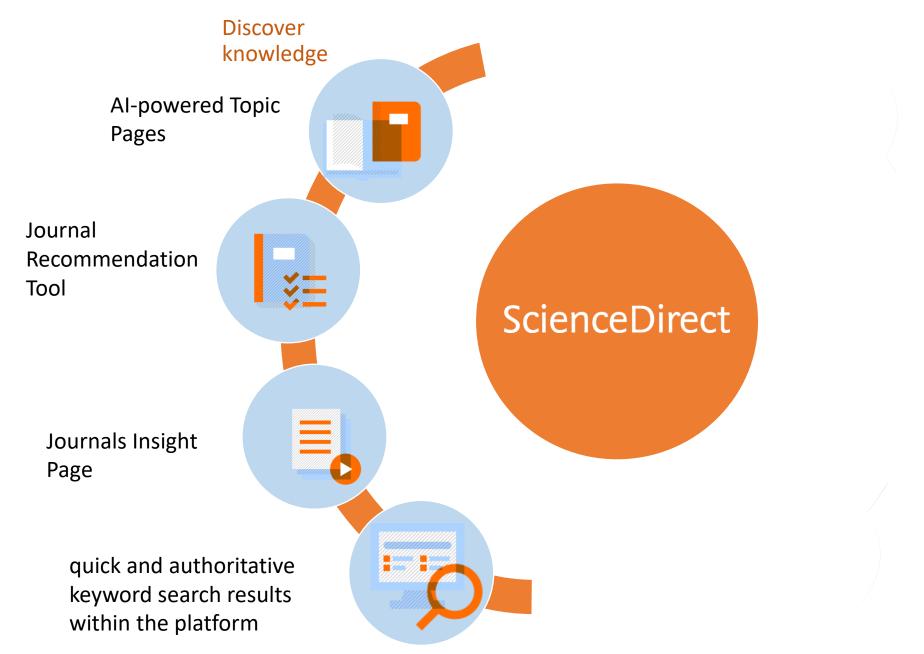
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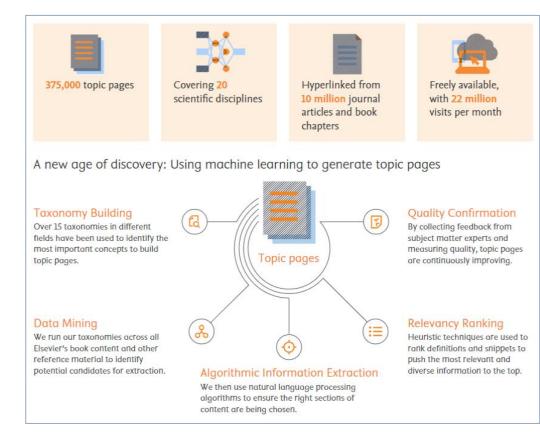
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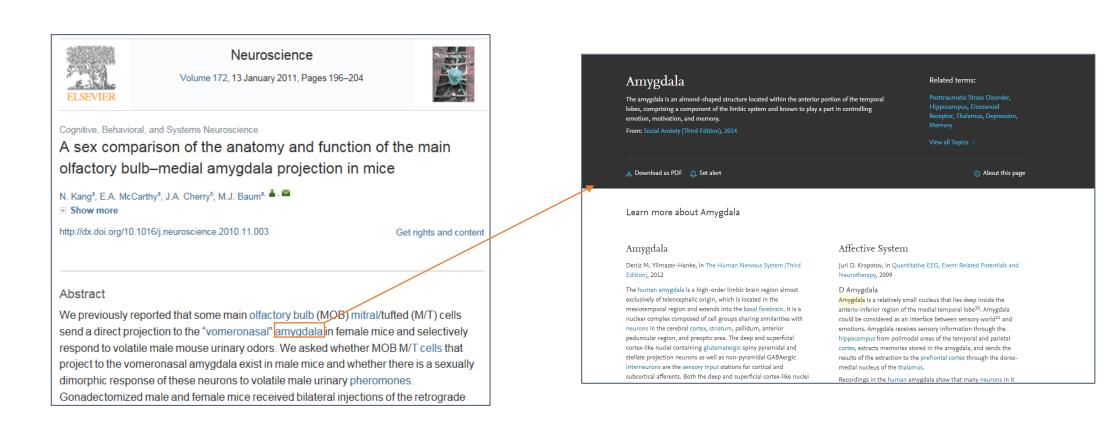
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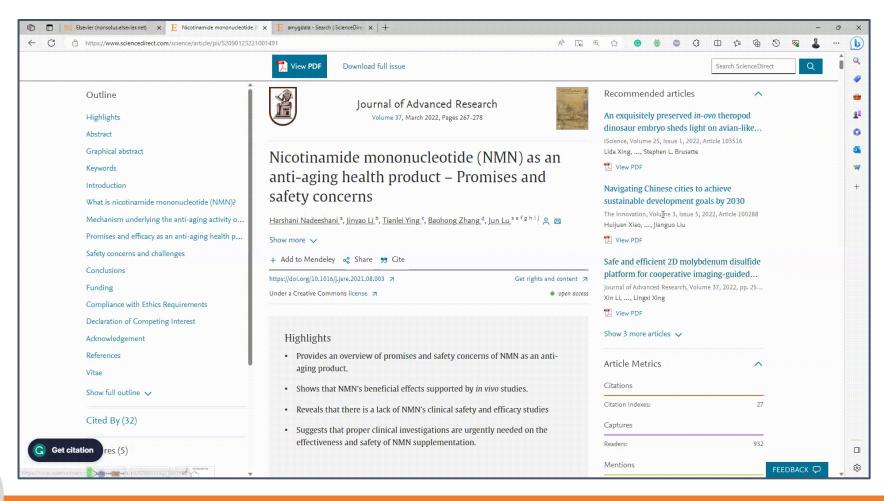




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A new journal recommendation tool to help authors choose journals for their research

Author Challenge: Publishing research can be a very long process, and more often than not, authors choose the wrong journal to submit (based on the rejection rate)

ScienceDirect Journal recommendation tool supports authors in increasing their chances of selecting a more suitable journal by recommendation.



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## Get quick and authoritative keyword search results within the platform

#### Conclusions

Columnar neurons from the second optic neuropil are likely the main plastic locus responsible for the modifications in animal behavior when confronted with rapidly repeated object motion. Our results demonstrate that visually guided behaviors can be determined by neural plasticity that occurs surprisingly early in the visual pathway.

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#### Introduction

Motion vision provides essential cues for a wide variety of animal behaviors. It originated to fulfill two essentially distinct behavioral tasks. One task, which is based on the analysis of panoramic optic flow, is to inform the animal about its own movements. The other task, which is based on the processing of focal motion cues, is to allow the animal to know about the movement of prey, predators, and conspecifics. Because animal navigation imply sustained analysis of the optic flow, the visual processing involved in this task shows little change upon repeated or continuous stimulation. In contrast, behavioral and neuronal responses to repeated object motion often show fast and profound decline. Such decline, in the form of either habituation [1] or more-complex associative learning processes [2], represents constitutive mechanisms of an animal's dantability [3]

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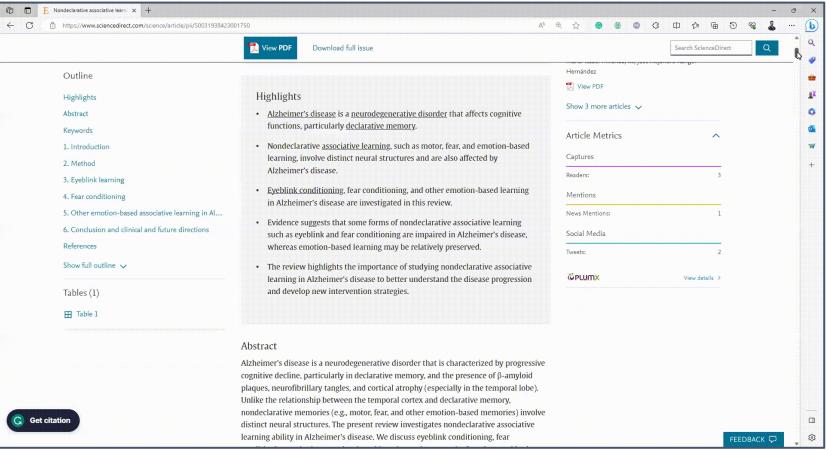


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## Performics

# Get quick and authoritative keyword search results within the platform (Video/ GIF for Customer Demo)



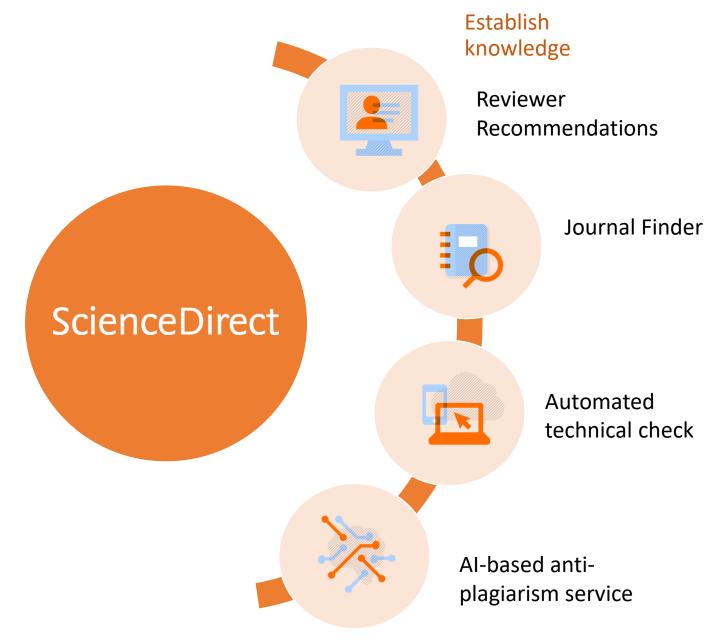
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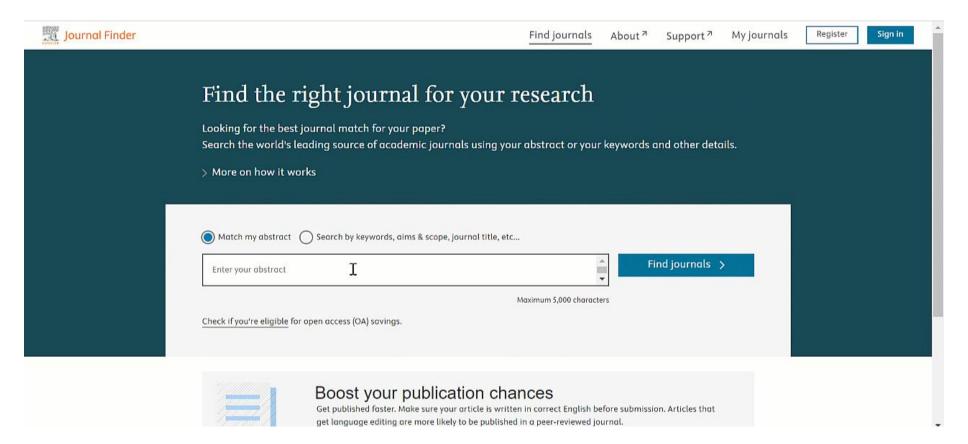
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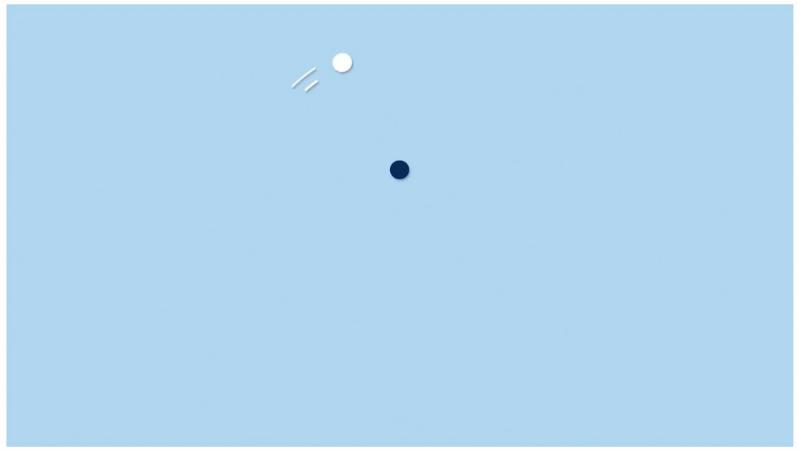
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## Elsevier's policies for authors, editors and reviewers on Generative AI



#### Responsible use

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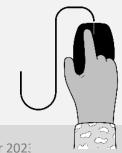
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# Answering questions

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- <u>https://www.elsevier.com/about/policies/publishing-ethics</u>
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#### May you use AI for other purposes than text?

- For making language corrections?
- For sorting through a dataset for potential interesting results?
- For suggesting new combinations of experiments
- For making illustrations for the publication
- For making the reference list?
- For selecting co-authors?



# Thank you!

### How is Elsevier using AI to assist in the editorial process?

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