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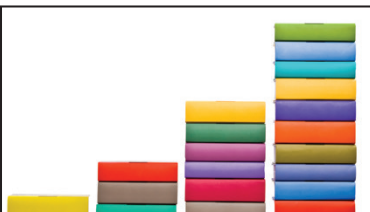
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The science that changed our lives

In this contribution Dr. Gali Halevi pays tribute to Francis Narin and his work on measuring the connection between science and innovation, and provides access to the original TRACES report, first published in 1968.



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Buzzwords and values: the prominence of "impact" in UK research policy and governance

Dr. Alis Oancea describes the role societal impact plays in UK research policy. How important has this become in recent years?



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The use of assessment reports to generate and measure societal impact of research

How can societal impact be measured? Dr. Lutz Bornmann & Dr. Werner Marx propose a new method based on assessment reports, which summarize research findings for a non-scientific audience.



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The challenges of measuring social impact using altmetrics

In his contribution Mike Taylor investigates how Altmetrics can be used to measure social impact. What are some of the obstacles that need to be overcome to make this possible?



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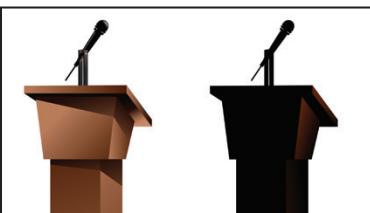
How do citations in patents and scientific articles differ? Steven Scheerooren and Dr. Judith Kamalski discuss the use and limitations of citation data from patents and present a case study on Civil Nuclear Energy research.



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Women's not-for-profit organizations' research output – characterizations and trends

Dr. Gali Halevi investigates the main characteristics of research sponsored by, or associated with, not-for-profit organizations which focus on women's issues. What are the main topics the research focuses on and are these the same across the globe?



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Reporting back: Beyond the PDF 2

Dr. Daphne van Weijen and Mike Taylor report on the Beyond the PDF 2 conference held in Amsterdam in March. What is being done to change the future of scholarly communication?



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...electric cars were already around in the 19th century?