

## National characteristics in international scientific co-authorship relations

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The main objective of this study is the elaboration of national characteristics in international scientific co-authorship relations. An attempt is made to find statistical evidence of symmetry and asymmetry in co-publication links, of the relation between international co-authorship and both national research profiles and citation impact. Four basic types can be distinguished in the relative specialisation of domestic and internationally co-authored publications of 50 most active countries in 1995/96 concerning the significance of the difference between the two profiles.

Co-publication maps reveal structural changes in international co-authorship links in the last decade. Besides stable links and coherent clusters, new nodes and links have also been found. Not all links between individual countries are symmetric. Specific (unidirectional) co-authorship affinity could also be detected in several countries.

As expected, international co-authorship, on an average, results in publications with higher citation rates than purely domestic papers. However, the influence of international collaboration on the national citation impact varies considerably between the countries (and within one individual country between fields). In some cases there is, however, no citation advantage for one or even for both partners.

### Introduction

As already stressed in an earlier paper by Glänzel and Schubert (2001), international collaboration may reflect individual interests and motivation of individual scientists. Some of the factors influencing co-publication patterns have already been discussed in the basic papers on scientific collaboration by deB. Beaver and Rosen (1979) and Luukkonen et al. (1992). In his new paper, deB. Beaver (0000) has summarised eighteen main criteria for which authors collaborate. When one considers international collaboration, the economic and/or political dependence of a country or geopolitical region (such as the different forms and degrees of neo-colonial ties) or large or special equipment (such as CERN in Switzerland and the observatories in Spain or Chile), which are often shared in large multinational projects, also condition co-operation, apart

from any individual motivation. And scientific collaboration between member countries of the EU promotes European integration into one of the world's most advanced systems of science and technology. On the other hand, co-publications might simply result as mandatory exercises within the framework of bilateral agreements between institutions, science administrations or governments.

It is clear that a variety of different purposes and motivations, the manifold of factors influencing (international) collaboration must have at least in part a measurable impact on the published results of joint research work. In the above-mentioned paper by *Glänzel* and *Schubert*, the relation between international co-authorship and citation impact in the field of chemistry has been studied. Proceeding from these results, which often confirmed but sometimes contradicted wide-spread notions on the efficiency of international collaboration, we have elaborated a more complex scheme to uncover national characteristics in international scientific co-authorship patterns. In this context, we will try to answer the following four questions.

- First, in how far is international collaboration reflecting the political and economical changes in the world,
- Second, has international collaboration a measurable influence on national publication strategy,
- Third, does international collaboration uniquely influence chosen publication channels, and,
- Fourth, does international collaboration in general result in higher citation rates, or are there even 'losers' in international co-authorship?

Finally, it will be shown that certain national characteristics can be found in international co-authorship patterns which, of course, may be subject to change in the course of time. Since the study is based on a large body of data, only examples can be presented in most cases to give the answers to the above questions. Except for the data on country pairs and citation distributions, all used basic indicators are, therefore, presented in a separate Appendix.

### **Data sources and data processing**

The fundamental principles underlying the construction of basic indicators as well as the methodology of data processing have been adopted from earlier studies (e.g., *Glänzel*, 1996; REIST-2, 1997; *Glänzel* and *Schubert*, 2001). All papers recorded in the annual volumes of the *Science Citation Index* (SCI) of the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) as Article, Letter, Note or Review were taken into consideration. The papers were assigned to countries based on the corporate address given in the by-line of

the publication. All countries indicated in the address field have thus been taken into account.

Subject classification of publications was based on the field assignment of journals (in which the publications in question appeared) according to the eight major fields of science: Clinical Medicine (MED), Biomedical Research (BRE), Biology (BIO), Chemistry (CHE), Physics (PHY), Mathematics (MAT), Engineering (ENG) and Earth and Space Sciences (ESS).

The study is based on papers published in 1995 and 1996. Citation counts have been determined on the basis of an item-by-item procedure using special identification-keys. Citations were counted in 3-year periods: in the year of publication and the two subsequent years, that is, for instance, if papers published in 1995 or 1996 were considered, all citations received by them in the period 1995-1997 or 1996-1998, respectively, have been counted. The choice of the citation window is in keeping with recent methodological considerations and practical experience (see, for instance, *Glänzel et al.*, 1999). Since in several cases the obtained co-publication sets proved too small for annual co-authorship analyses the publications years and citation windows have been shifted and the corresponding publication and citation counts have been summed up. This procedure has already been applied to several recently published studies (e.g. *Glänzel*, 1996). The 50 most active countries in all fields combined in 1995/1996 have been selected for the present analysis. These countries had at least 1000 publications each in these two years.

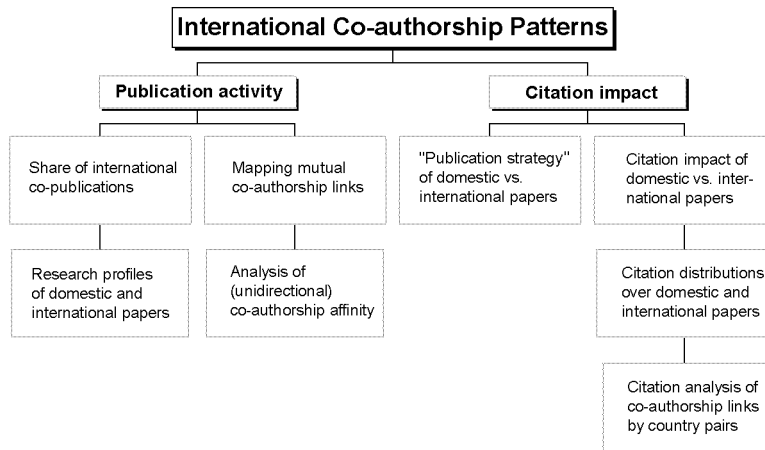
The basic indicators, that is, the publication counts in 1995 and 1996 and the observed number of citations received in a three-year window by papers published in 1995 and 1996 for the 50 selected countries can be found in Table A–D of the Appendix. In addition, the values of Mean Expected Citation Rate (MECR) for 1995 and 1996 are presented in Tables E and F.

### Methods and results

In the following, the same terminology and methodology as in *Glänzel and Schubert* (2001) and *Glänzel* (2000) will be applied. Papers that have been published in co-operation of at least two different countries will be called internationally co-authored or briefly international papers, other papers will be called domestic papers of the country under study. The term (international) co-publication will be used as a concise synonym for (internationally) co-authored paper. In the co-authorship analyses, binary links between countries or regions were studied. A link between two countries is established,

whenever the two given countries co-occurred in the corporate address in the by-line of a publication.

In order to be able to reflect the complexity of international co-authorship patterns at the macro level the following methodological scheme has been used for the present study.



Subjects in the scheme can be studied separately or in combination with each other. Thus the “publication strategy” or the citation impact of domestic vs. international papers can, for instance, be analysed in the context of the research profiles of domestic and international papers, or, a citation analysis of co-authorship links by country pairs can be conducted in the light of the strength of bilateral co-authorship links. An example for such an approach has been given by *Glänzel* and *Schubert* (2001). In particular, strong links with a mean citation rate greater than the domestic mean observed citation rate of any of the two contributing countries were called *hot links*, and, by contrast, *cool links* are co-authorship links with a mean citation rate smaller than the corresponding domestic MOCR values. More examples for this approach will be given in the corresponding subsections below.

## Publication activity

### *Share of international co-publications*

The absolute number of international papers and their share in the total national publication output serve as basic indicators of international co-authorship relations and scientific collaboration. International collaboration depends on the country's 'size' (cf., for instance, *Schubert* and *Braun*, 1990). This result has recently been confirmed by *Katz* (2000). The analysis of the amount of international collaboration and the 'size' of the institution or country in these two papers showed underlying power law relationships. According to *Katz's* results, some types of collaboration exhibit Mettew effect others exhibit the inverse effect. At the national level, the share of international collaboration in large countries is necessarily lower than that of medium-sized or even small countries. The share of all international papers in the world can, in principle, be determined as the complementary share of the ratio of all countries' domestic papers and the total world publication output. However, such 'world average' is not an appropriate reference standard for international collaboration activity (cf. *Schubert* and *Braun*, 1990), and will, therefore, not be used here.

Table 1 presents the national publication output and share of international papers in the national total in all fields combined for the years 1985/1986 and 1995/1996, respectively. The most active 50 countries are ranked in descending order by their share of international papers in 1995/1996.

The highest share of international publications ( $\geq 45\%$ ) can be found in Thailand, in Economies in Transition (EIT), in Chile, in Switzerland and in the EU member countries Belgium and Portugal. The dramatic increase of the share of international co-publications in EIT countries (Hungary, Czech Republic and Poland, but also Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia) in the 90s has already been discussed by *Glänzel* (1995) and *Braun* and *Glänzel* (1996) in the context of an at least partial compensation for the negative financial effects which have hit their basic research systems before and after the economic and political changes. The situation in Portugal somewhat differs from that of the EIT group as already mentioned in earlier studies.

Table 1  
Change of national publication output and share of international co-publications  
(All Fields Combined, 1985/86 vs. 1995/96)

| Rank | Country        | 1995/96 |       | 1985/86              |                      |
|------|----------------|---------|-------|----------------------|----------------------|
|      |                | Papers  | Share | Papers               | Share                |
| 1    | Thailand       | 1131    | 64.2% | 583                  | 46.5%                |
| 2    | Hungary        | 5213    | 50.3% | 4670                 | 26.5%                |
| 3    | Portugal       | 2870    | 50.1% | 813                  | 37.8%                |
| 4    | Czech Republic | 5587    | 49.1% | n. a.                | [18.9%] <sup>1</sup> |
| 5    | Switzerland    | 20872   | 47.5% | 13506                | 32.1%                |
| 6    | Poland         | 12374   | 45.7% | 9261                 | 20.2%                |
| 7    | Chile          | 2496    | 45.4% | 1557                 | 25.5%                |
| 8    | Belgium        | 14695   | 45.0% | 9009                 | 28.1%                |
| 9    | Venezuela      | 1137    | 44.9% | 733                  | 30.8%                |
| 10   | Romania        | 2069    | 44.7% | 1301                 | 15.0%                |
| 11   | Slovenia       | 1264    | 44.6% | n. a.                | n. a.                |
| 12   | Slovakia       | 2815    | 44.3% | n. a.                | [18.9%] <sup>1</sup> |
| 13   | Denmark        | 11809   | 43.3% | 8387                 | 24.2%                |
| 14   | Croatia        | 1401    | 43.0% | n. a.                | n. a.                |
| 15   | Mexico         | 4960    | 42.6% | 1997                 | 29.9%                |
| 16   | Austria        | 9479    | 42.6% | 5439                 | 23.8%                |
| 17   | Brazil         | 9417    | 41.7% | 3918                 | 26.9%                |
| 18   | Bulgaria       | 2503    | 40.4% | 2611                 | 20.9%                |
| 19   | Ireland        | 3162    | 40.3% | 1807                 | 25.0%                |
| 20   | Norway         | 7131    | 40.0% | 5129                 | 23.4%                |
| 21   | Sweden         | 23698   | 39.0% | 17143                | 21.9%                |
| 22   | Greece         | 5556    | 37.5% | 2629                 | 25.4%                |
| 23   | Hong Kong      | 4191    | 37.5% | 1179                 | 23.0%                |
| 24   | Israel         | 14067   | 37.1% | 11142                | 25.0%                |
| 25   | Finland        | 10361   | 35.6% | 6143                 | 19.3%                |
| 26   | Netherlands    | 29773   | 35.4% | 18153                | 19.8%                |
| 27   | France         | 73925   | 34.2% | 47640                | 20.3%                |
| 28   | Belarus        | 1653    | 33.6% | n. a.                | n. a.                |
| 29   | Germany        | 93683   | 33.3% | [58164] <sup>3</sup> | [19.4%] <sup>3</sup> |
| 30   | Italy          | 46757   | 33.1% | 23913                | 21.1%                |
| 31   | Argentina      | 5167    | 32.0% | 3108                 | 13.2%                |
| 32   | Ukraine        | 6691    | 31.3% | n. a.                | n. a.                |
| 33   | New Zealand    | 5967    | 31.3% | 4729                 | 15.8%                |
| 34   | Egypt          | 3266    | 31.0% | 2409                 | 21.9%                |
| 35   | Yugoslavia     | 1326    | 30.8% | 2387                 | 30.1%                |
| 36   | Canada         | 54369   | 30.6% | 43001                | 18.6%                |
| 37   | Spain          | 29538   | 30.0% | 10409                | 15.1%                |
| 38   | PR China       | 18861   | 28.8% | 6442                 | 23.2%                |
| 39   | Singapore      | 2676    | 28.8% | 760                  | 23.7%                |
| 40   | UK             | 110898  | 27.2% | 86721                | 14.4%                |
| 41   | South Africa   | 5448    | 27.0% | 5893                 | 11.8%                |
| 42   | South Korea    | 10007   | 26.8% | 1221                 | 27.3%                |
| 43   | Australia      | 30139   | 26.4% | 21200                | 14.5%                |
| 44   | Russia         | 44664   | 25.5% | n. a.                | [3.3%] <sup>2</sup>  |
| 45   | Saudi Arabia   | 1797    | 23.7% | 1173                 | 26.5%                |
| 46   | Turkey         | 4798    | 21.4% | 926                  | 25.9%                |
| 47   | USA            | 403056  | 18.1% | 340275               | 9.5%                 |
| 48   | Taiwan         | 11594   | 17.5% | 1883                 | 23.5%                |
| 49   | India          | 21449   | 15.2% | 21335                | 8.5%                 |
| 50   | Japan          | 108019  | 14.4% | 67234                | 7.3%                 |

<sup>1</sup> Czechoslovakia, <sup>2</sup> Soviet Union, <sup>3</sup> without GDR

Results presented in the *European Report on Science and Technology Indicators (REIST-2, 1997)* indicated the stronger presence of Portuguese scientists in the European programmes launched by the EU as one possible reason for the increase in foreign collaborations. The REIST-2 study also explained the large share in Switzerland partially as a consequence of the outstanding publication activity of CERN in particle physics (almost 10% of the publication performance of Switzerland stems from large multinational projects realised through this international research institution). However, joint research with foreign scientists in clinical medicine and biomedical research also contributed considerably to the high level of co-operation of Switzerland.

Among the Scandinavian countries, Denmark's great share of international papers of more than 40% is worth mentioning. A more detailed discussion of the co-operativity of the Nordic countries has been given by *Glänzel (2000)*.

The direct comparison between the two shares (1995/96 and ten years earlier) is rather difficult, and does not lead to valid results. Instead of the shares the ratio of international and domestic papers can be used to visualise at least the extent of the changes. This measure (which takes values between zero and infinity) can be obtained from the shares of co-publication given in Table 1 by an elementary transformation. While the change of the 'world total' roughly amounts to 2.2, the ratio of international and domestic papers of Soviet Union/Russia changed by factor 10. This means a step from almost complete isolation into a co-operativity, which, by and large, corresponds to the size of this country. The values for Argentina, Poland, Czech Republic and Slovakia and Romania range between factor 3 and 4.5, followed by Hungary, South Africa and Bulgaria with values between 2.6 and 2.8. The increasing co-operativity of South Africa is certainly a consequence of the political changes in this country.

On the other hand, we have few changes in the Far East, except for Japan, Hong Kong and Thailand. In South Korea and Taiwan a clear decrease of co-operativity can be observed. There is a decrease by a factor 0.9 in Saudi Arabia, too. The stagnation in case of Yugoslavia (1.0) might be interpreted in the context of the political and economic situation in this region.

#### *Research profiles of domestic and international papers*

The next question to be answered is in how far international co-operation influences a country's publication profile and whether there are preferred research fields for scientific collaboration. The national publication profile can be expressed by the Relative Specialisation Index (RSI). This measure indicates whether a country has a relatively higher or lower share in world publications in a particular field of science than

its overall share in world total publications. RSI has been defined in REIST-2 (1997), and is closely related to the Activity Index (AI) originally introduced by *Frame* (1977). Both definition and interpretation of the Relative Specialisation Index can be found in *Glänzel* (2000), therefore, a detailed description of the two indicators and their relationship will be omitted here. RSI, which take values in the range  $[-1, +1]$ , indicates a lower-than-average if  $RSI < 0$ , and reflects a higher-than-average activity in so far  $RSI > 0$ . Otherwise, if  $RSI = 0$  the situation is completely balanced.  $RSI \equiv 0$  for all fields corresponding to the 'world standard'. In the following, national 'publication profiles' are determined on the basis of the eight major fields of science introduced in the *Data sources and data processing* section. The graphical presentation of the 'standard case'  $RSI \equiv 0$  for all fields is a regular octagon. Any deviation from this standard results in a more or less characteristic deformation of the regular octagon.

In earlier studies, four basic paradigmatic patterns in publication profiles could be distinguished, namely,

- I. the 'western model' with clinical medicine and biomedical research as dominating fields,
- II. the characteristic pattern of the former socialist countries with excessive activity in chemistry and physics,
- III. the 'bio-environmental model' with biology and earth and space sciences in the main focus,
- IV. the 'Japanese model' with engineering and chemistry being predominant.

In the analysis of the deviation of the relative specialisation of international publications from domestic ones, the following four cases occurred.

1. No significant deviation between the two profiles in the country;
2. Increase of national characteristics through international co-publications;
3. Weakened national characteristics in international papers;
4. Deviation, which cannot be classified in any other category.

Of course, the borderlines between the four types (I – IV), on one hand, and these four cases (1 – 4), on the other hand, are fuzzy. Nevertheless, the following twelve examples may visualise changes (or the absence of changes, respectively) which sometimes contradict widely held views.



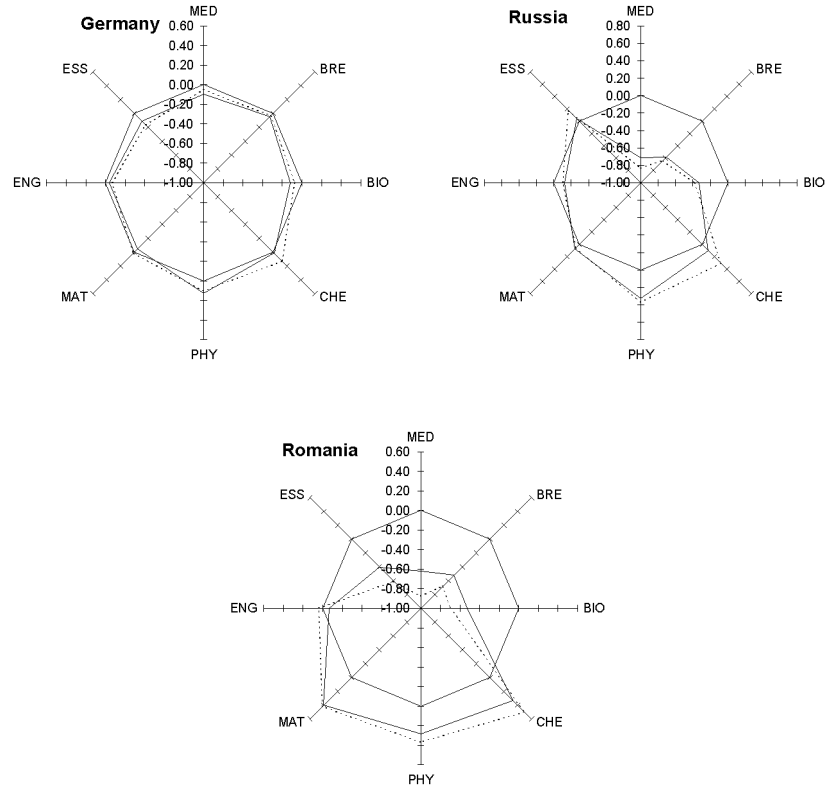


Figure 1. Relative specialisation based on eight major science fields (Case 1) (thin line: world average, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

Figures 1 through 4 show three examples each for the above-mentioned four cases. Figure 1 presents the relative specialisation of domestic and international publications in Germany, Russia and Romania. The profiles in Figure 1 correspond to case 1, that is, the profiles of international publications largely correspond to those of domestic ones. One would expect that first of all big advanced countries would fall into this category.

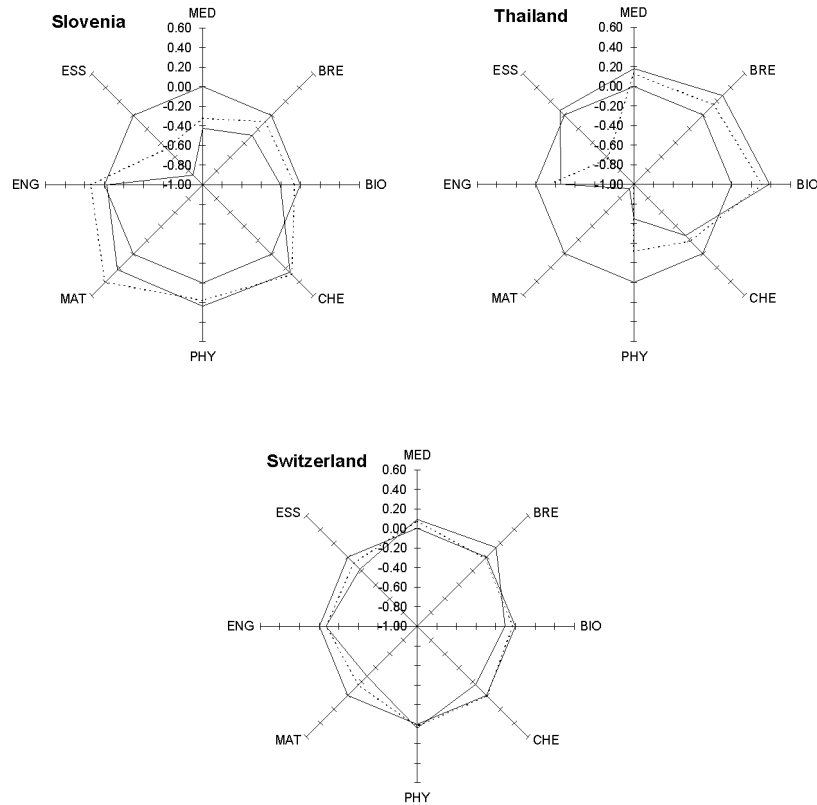


Figure 2. Relative specialisation based on eight major science fields (Case 2) (thin line: world average, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

Here, we have found some counterexamples. Germany slightly deviates from the western model (I) in favour of physics and chemistry. Russia and Romania still represent the pattern of the former socialist countries (II) and little has changed if it comes to international scientific collaboration. At least, the basic type has not really changed.

A certain change of national characteristics through international co-publications is characteristic for the second group (cf. Figure 2). The irregular octagons of the domestic profiles of Slovenia and Thailand become even more degenerate for international

papers. The changes in mathematics and earth and space sciences, however, cannot be considered really significant since the number of domestic publications in these fields is almost negligible. A quite interesting observation is that the medium-sized but highly-developed country, Switzerland, also falls into category 2. The domestic profile already shows the typical pattern of the western model, however, with an almost regular octagon. The pattern of the western model becomes even more evident for the international profile.

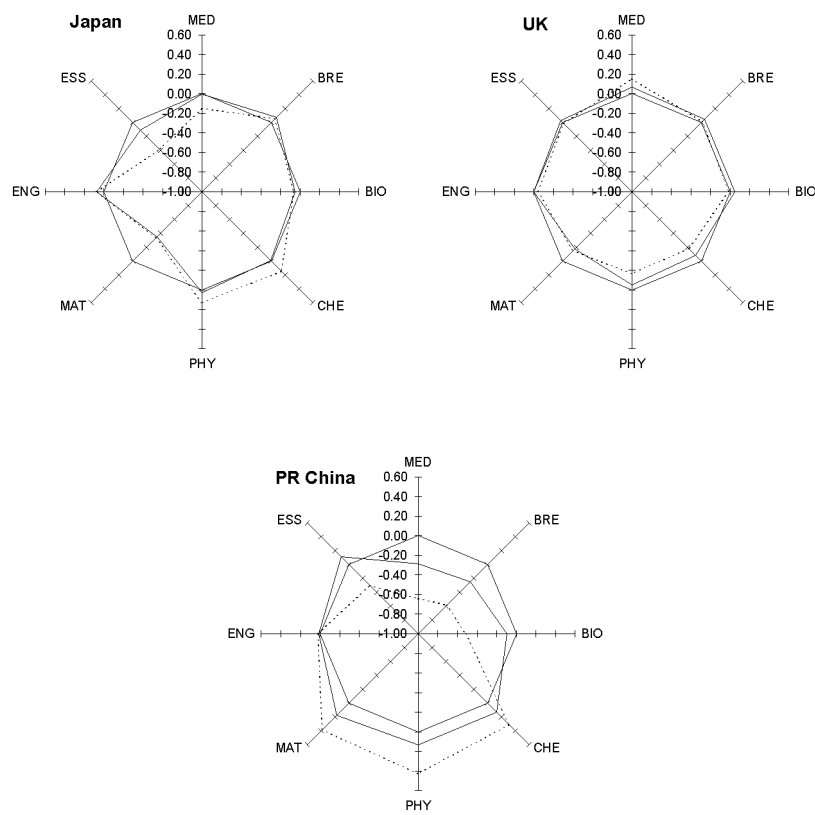


Figure 3. Relative specialisation based on eight major science fields (Case 3) (thin line: world average, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

Figure 3 shows the opposite case. The irregular octagons of the domestic profiles of Japan and China are less degenerate for international papers. The international profile of the otherwise Type IV country Japan corresponds almost to the standard type, with mathematics as the only noticeable exception. China's international profile is still of Type II, but the octagon is much less irregular than that of the domestic profile. Finally, the domestic profile of the UK is typical of the western model, but deviates from the standard type in favour of the life sciences. The international profile here is closer to the standard pattern.

Figure 4 shows examples for those patterns which do not fall in any other category. The octagons representing the domestic profiles are irregular for all three countries Chile, Morocco and Egypt. While the Egyptian domestic profile can be regarded as Type II, the profiles of the other two countries rather have to be considered as mixtures of different types. The octagons representing the international profiles are still irregular in all three countries, that is, internationally co-authored papers reflect a profile, which deviates completely from that of domestic research. This situation indeed does not occur very frequently, and is – as expected – rather characteristic for small countries. It has, however, to be mentioned that the publication counts of all three countries still allow reliable statistical analyses for all fields.

#### *Mapping mutual co-authorship links*

Salton's measure will be used as an indicator of international collaboration strength. It is defined as the number of joint publications divided by the square root of the product of the number (i.e., the geometric mean) of total publication outputs of the two countries. Following the practice of earlier studies, the 'natural topology' is used to illustrate the structure defined by scientific co-authorship on the basis of Salton's measure which is calculated for country pairs. It should be mentioned here that as a consequence of treating collaboration links of each country pair separately, co-publication counts and shares are not additive, and thus cannot be summed up to the total over any part of the world. One has, consequently, to distinguish between the number of co-publications and of co-authorship links.

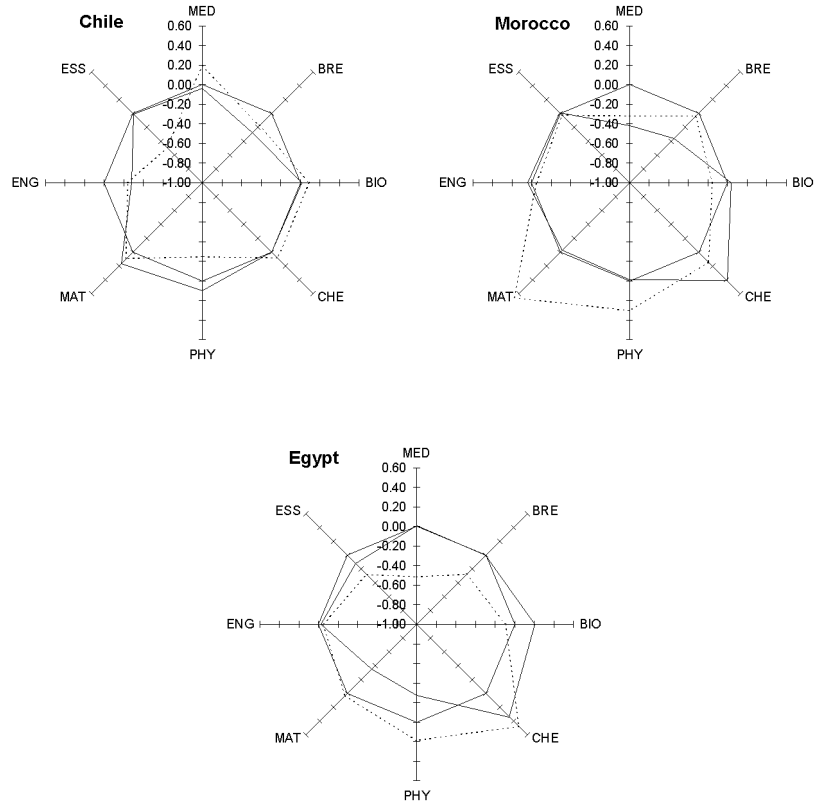


Figure 4. Relative specialisation based on eight major science fields (Case 4) (thin line: world average, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

Figure 5 shows the co-authorship map of 46 selected countries for the years 1985/86. Note, that the GDR and Czechoslovakia still existed that time, whereas Belarus, Ukraine, Croatia, Slovenia, Czech Republic and Slovakia did not yet exist as independent states. Since international scientific collaboration was in the first two-year period not as intense as ten years later, lower thresholds ( $r_{ij}$ ) of Salton's measure had to be used for the 1985/86 data. As the lower threshold for medium (very) strong links,  $r_{ij} = 1.5\%$  (2.5%) has been chosen. Values of Salton's measure exceeding 5% did not occur in 1985/86. The position of the countries on the map is intended to reflect the

‘natural geographic order’ as much as possible, and to express, at the same time, the structure defined by the co-authorship links. The map presented in Figure 5 very much resembles that in Figure 3 in *Schubert and Braun* (1990). *Schubert and Braun* have analysed international collaboration of 36 countries in the sciences in the period 1981-1985. On the basis of Figure 5 little can be added to their comments. *Schubert and Braun* found four clusters of unequal size, namely, a big one including Western Europe, USA and Canada and two smaller ones with the Scandinavian and the Eastern European countries, respectively. A tiny cluster, finally, included Australia and New Zealand. In addition to these four clusters, there is a fifth one consisting of Egypt and Saudi Arabia and a sixth one with Brazil and Argentina; both can be found in Figure 5. The latter ones are isolated, whereas the Nordic, the Oceanean and the Eastern European clusters are connected to the Western European/American cluster through the links Sweden–USA, Australia–UK and Poland–F.R. German, respectively.

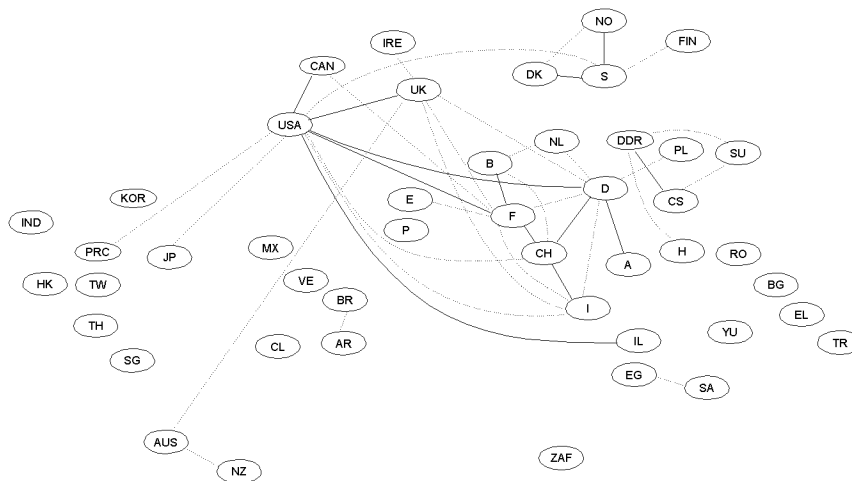


Figure 5. Co-authorship map for 50 most active countries in all fields combined in 1985/86 based on Salton's measure (dotted line  $\geq 1.5\%$ , solid line  $\geq 2.5\%$ )

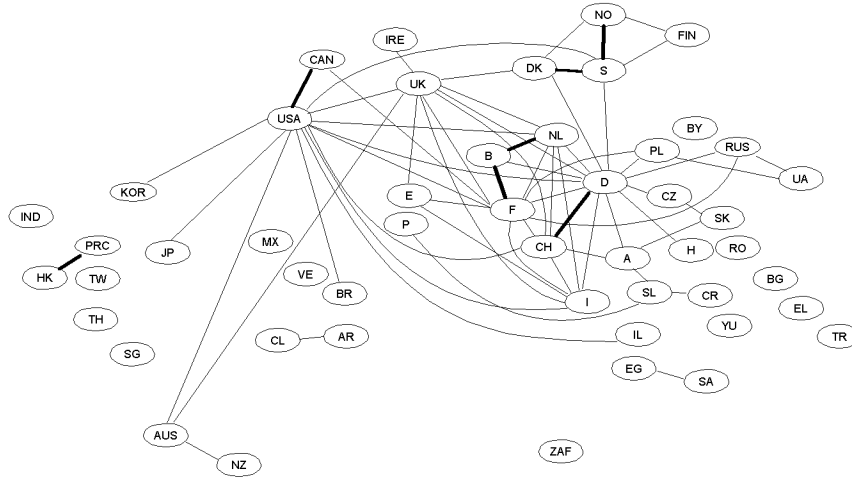


Figure 6. Co-authorship map for 50 most active countries in all fields combined in 1995/96 based on Salton's measure (solid line  $\geq 2.5\%$ , thick line  $\geq 5\%$ )

The co-publication map presented in Figure 6 shows a quite different situation ten years later. All co-authorship links of the 50 most active countries in 1995/96 are plotted. Since the intensity of links has increased considerably from the 80s to the 90s, the corresponding thresholds had to be modified. The dense network of links had otherwise made the map unintelligible. Links with a strength below 2.5% have, therefore, not been plotted. In addition, co-publication links stronger than 5% are represented by thick lines (see Figure 6). The changes are striking. First, the overall strength of links has increased; thus dotted lines in Figure 5 are regularly replaced by solid ones in Figure 6. Second, the network of co-publication links became denser although the lower threshold of 1.5% has been omitted in 1995/96. Third, a structural change can be observed. The Arabian cluster is still isolated, and has not changed. The South American cluster has undergone some structural changes. The strength of co-authorship links between Brazil and Argentina did not reach the necessary threshold of 2.5%, whereas new medium strong links between Chile and Argentina, on one hand, and Brazil and the USA, on the other hand, have been established. A tiny new cluster formed by the P.R. China and Hong Kong arose in Far East. The link between these two countries (5.9%) is one of the strongest in the period under study (a couple of years before the crown colony returned to China).

The biggest cluster includes Europe, the USA and Canada. Other features already found in the map published in *Glänzel* (2000) can be observed here, too: a strongly cross-linked EU cluster connected to the USA, a coherent Scandinavian cluster connected through Denmark and Sweden with the rest of the North American/European main cluster and a loosely connected Central/Eastern-European cluster joined to the main cluster through Germany and – as a new development – Poland which plays the role of a newly-fledged node in Eastern Europe. The Far East and Oceania are linked to the main cluster through the USA.

The link between Slovenia and Portugal is somewhat unexpected, but it should be noted that this is caused by the two countries' joint contribution to multinational papers in physics. This is a by-effect which may occur if multilateral co-authorship links of small countries are split into pairs.

The strongest links can be found between Canada and the USA, Hong Kong and P.R. China, between Belgium and both France and the Netherlands, between Germany and Switzerland and within Scandinavia as those links connecting Sweden with Denmark and Norway, respectively.

#### *Analysis of (unidirectional) co-authorship affinity*

Salton's measure is designed as a symmetric indicator. Thus, the map presented in Figures 5 and 6 reflect mutual links but does not reveal anything about specific unidirectional 'affinities' of a country for co-authorship with other countries. Of course, one can often proceed from the assumption that at least the strong links like those connecting the Nordic countries or the Central European countries which each other are of mutual nature.

A possible way to characterise the relative 'importance' of other countries for selected countries according to a method introduced by *Glänzel* (2000) and *Glänzel* and *Schubert* (2001) is presented in Table 2. Sixteen selected countries, that is, about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the 50 most active countries in 1995/96 have been analysed for their co-authorship affinity. The table presents the bi-literal codes of the 10 most important partner countries out of the above 50 countries (column A), the number of joint papers in all fields combined (column B), the percentage share of joint papers in the internationally co-authored papers of the selected country (column C) together with the percentage share of the total number of publications of the same set of countries in the world total minus the number of publications of the selected country (column D).



Table 2  
Co-authorship affinity for the sixteen selected countries ranked by share of joint papers  
(A = Country, B = number of joint papers, C = Share of joint papers in all international papers,  
D = Share of partner country in the world total minus country under study)

| Ausztria  |      |        |        | Denmark   |      |        |        |
|-----------|------|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------|--------|
| A         | B    | C      | D      | A         | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>DE</b> | 1468 | 36.39% | 8.13%  | <b>US</b> | 1511 | 29.57% | 35.04% |
| <b>US</b> | 991  | 24.57% | 34.97% | <b>UK</b> | 967  | 18.92% | 9.64%  |
| <b>UK</b> | 445  | 11.03% | 9.62%  | <b>SE</b> | 895  | 17.51% | 2.06%  |
| <b>FR</b> | 383  | 9.49%  | 6.41%  | <b>DE</b> | 837  | 16.38% | 8.14%  |
| <b>CH</b> | 378  | 9.37%  | 1.81%  | <b>FR</b> | 532  | 10.41% | 6.43%  |
| <b>IT</b> | 328  | 8.13%  | 4.06%  | <b>IT</b> | 451  | 8.83%  | 4.06%  |
| <b>NL</b> | 225  | 5.58%  | 2.58%  | <b>NL</b> | 410  | 8.02%  | 2.59%  |
| <b>PL</b> | 210  | 5.21%  | 1.07%  | <b>NO</b> | 392  | 7.67%  | 0.62%  |
| <b>ES</b> | 204  | 5.06%  | 2.56%  | <b>ES</b> | 323  | 6.32%  | 2.57%  |
| <b>CZ</b> | 172  | 4.26%  | 0.48%  | <b>CH</b> | 300  | 5.87%  | 1.81%  |

| Germany   |      |        |        | France    |      |        |        |
|-----------|------|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------|--------|
| A         | B    | C      | D      | A         | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>US</b> | 9381 | 30.03% | 37.72% | <b>US</b> | 6701 | 26.47% | 37.04% |
| <b>UK</b> | 3780 | 12.10% | 10.38% | <b>DE</b> | 3528 | 13.94% | 8.61%  |
| <b>FR</b> | 3528 | 11.29% | 8.77%  | <b>UK</b> | 3295 | 13.02% | 10.19% |
| <b>RU</b> | 2626 | 8.41%  | 4.18%  | <b>IT</b> | 2547 | 10.06% | 4.30%  |
| <b>CH</b> | 2567 | 8.22%  | 1.95%  | <b>CH</b> | 1820 | 7.19%  | 1.92%  |
| <b>IT</b> | 2242 | 7.18%  | 4.38%  | <b>ES</b> | 1785 | 7.05%  | 2.71%  |
| <b>NL</b> | 1946 | 6.23%  | 2.79%  | <b>BE</b> | 1635 | 6.46%  | 1.35%  |
| <b>JP</b> | 1499 | 4.80%  | 10.11% | <b>CA</b> | 1593 | 6.29%  | 5.00%  |
| <b>AT</b> | 1468 | 4.70%  | 0.89%  | <b>RU</b> | 1445 | 5.71%  | 4.10%  |
| <b>SE</b> | 1259 | 4.03%  | 2.22%  | <b>NL</b> | 1326 | 5.24%  | 2.74%  |

| Hungary   |     |        |        | Japan     |      |        |        |
|-----------|-----|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------|--------|
| A         | B   | C      | D      | A         | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>US</b> | 853 | 32.53% | 34.84% | <b>US</b> | 7268 | 46.67% | 38.23% |
| <b>DE</b> | 579 | 22.08% | 8.10%  | <b>DE</b> | 1499 | 9.63%  | 8.89%  |
| <b>UK</b> | 335 | 12.78% | 9.59%  | <b>UK</b> | 1479 | 9.50%  | 10.52% |
| <b>FR</b> | 333 | 12.70% | 6.39%  | <b>CA</b> | 999  | 6.41%  | 5.16%  |
| <b>IT</b> | 245 | 9.34%  | 4.04%  | <b>FR</b> | 885  | 5.68%  | 7.01%  |
| <b>CH</b> | 215 | 8.20%  | 1.80%  | <b>CN</b> | 841  | 5.40%  | 1.79%  |
| <b>JP</b> | 150 | 5.72%  | 9.34%  | <b>KR</b> | 619  | 3.97%  | 0.95%  |
| <b>NL</b> | 141 | 5.38%  | 2.57%  | <b>IT</b> | 606  | 3.89%  | 4.44%  |
| <b>FI</b> | 128 | 4.88%  | 0.90%  | <b>RU</b> | 581  | 3.73%  | 4.24%  |
| <b>CA</b> | 127 | 4.84%  | 4.70%  | <b>AU</b> | 518  | 3.33%  | 2.86%  |

Table 2  
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| Netherlands |      |        |        | PR China  |      |        |        |
|-------------|------|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------|--------|
| A           | B    | C      | D      | A         | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>US</b>   | 3121 | 29.59% | 35.59% | <b>US</b> | 1805 | 33.24% | 35.25% |
| <b>UK</b>   | 1999 | 18.96% | 9.79%  | <b>JP</b> | 841  | 15.49% | 9.45%  |
| <b>DE</b>   | 1946 | 18.45% | 8.27%  | <b>DE</b> | 668  | 12.30% | 8.19%  |
| <b>FR</b>   | 1326 | 12.57% | 6.53%  | <b>HK</b> | 524  | 9.65%  | 0.37%  |
| <b>BE</b>   | 1048 | 9.94%  | 1.30%  | <b>UK</b> | 505  | 9.30%  | 9.70%  |
| <b>IT</b>   | 941  | 8.92%  | 4.13%  | <b>FR</b> | 358  | 6.59%  | 6.47%  |
| <b>CH</b>   | 645  | 6.12%  | 1.84%  | <b>CA</b> | 340  | 6.26%  | 4.76%  |
| <b>ES</b>   | 578  | 5.48%  | 2.61%  | <b>IT</b> | 289  | 5.32%  | 4.09%  |
| <b>RU</b>   | 531  | 5.04%  | 3.94%  | <b>AU</b> | 204  | 3.76%  | 2.64%  |
| <b>SE</b>   | 527  | 5.00%  | 2.09%  | <b>SE</b> | 183  | 3.37%  | 2.07%  |

| Poland    |      |        |        | South Korea |      |        |        |
|-----------|------|--------|--------|-------------|------|--------|--------|
| A         | B    | C      | D      | A           | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>US</b> | 1434 | 25.33% | 35.05% | <b>US</b>   | 1687 | 62.85% | 34.98% |
| <b>DE</b> | 1250 | 22.08% | 8.15%  | <b>JP</b>   | 619  | 23.06% | 9.38%  |
| <b>FR</b> | 928  | 16.39% | 6.43%  | <b>DE</b>   | 204  | 7.60%  | 8.13%  |
| <b>UK</b> | 600  | 10.60% | 9.64%  | <b>RU</b>   | 180  | 6.71%  | 3.88%  |
| <b>RU</b> | 567  | 10.02% | 3.88%  | <b>UK</b>   | 177  | 6.59%  | 9.63%  |
| <b>IT</b> | 562  | 9.93%  | 4.07%  | <b>CN</b>   | 169  | 6.30%  | 1.64%  |
| <b>SE</b> | 380  | 6.71%  | 2.06%  | <b>IT</b>   | 154  | 5.74%  | 4.06%  |
| <b>NL</b> | 314  | 5.55%  | 2.59%  | <b>FR</b>   | 149  | 5.55%  | 6.42%  |
| <b>CH</b> | 309  | 5.46%  | 1.82%  | <b>ES</b>   | 109  | 4.06%  | 2.56%  |
| <b>ES</b> | 266  | 4.70%  | 2.57%  | <b>CA</b>   | 107  | 3.99%  | 4.72%  |

| Taiwan    |      |        |        | USA       |      |        |        |
|-----------|------|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------|--------|
| A         | B    | C      | D      | A         | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>US</b> | 1445 | 71.25% | 35.03% | <b>DE</b> | 9381 | 12.84% | 12.34% |
| <b>JP</b> | 206  | 10.16% | 9.39%  | <b>UK</b> | 9296 | 12.73% | 14.61% |
| <b>CN</b> | 107  | 5.28%  | 1.64%  | <b>CA</b> | 8703 | 11.91% | 7.16%  |
| <b>CA</b> | 104  | 5.13%  | 4.73%  | <b>JP</b> | 7268 | 9.95%  | 14.23% |
| <b>UK</b> | 84   | 4.14%  | 9.64%  | <b>FR</b> | 6701 | 9.17%  | 9.74%  |
| <b>IT</b> | 81   | 3.99%  | 4.06%  | <b>IT</b> | 5112 | 7.00%  | 6.16%  |
| <b>DE</b> | 78   | 3.85%  | 8.14%  | <b>CH</b> | 3145 | 4.31%  | 2.75%  |
| <b>FR</b> | 65   | 3.21%  | 6.42%  | <b>NL</b> | 3121 | 4.27%  | 3.92%  |
| <b>HK</b> | 61   | 3.01%  | 0.36%  | <b>IL</b> | 2976 | 4.07%  | 1.85%  |
| <b>KR</b> | 48   | 2.37%  | 0.87%  | <b>AU</b> | 2859 | 3.91%  | 3.97%  |

Table 2  
(Continued)

| Israel    |      |        |        | UK        |      |        |        |
|-----------|------|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------|--------|
| A         | B    | C      | D      | A         | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>US</b> | 2976 | 57.04% | 35.11% | <b>US</b> | 9296 | 30.82% | 38.34% |
| <b>DE</b> | 799  | 15.32% | 8.16%  | <b>DE</b> | 3780 | 12.53% | 8.91%  |
| <b>FR</b> | 493  | 9.45%  | 6.44%  | <b>FR</b> | 3295 | 10.92% | 7.03%  |
| <b>UK</b> | 473  | 9.07%  | 9.66%  | <b>IT</b> | 2433 | 8.07%  | 4.45%  |
| <b>IT</b> | 347  | 6.65%  | 4.07%  | <b>NL</b> | 1999 | 6.63%  | 2.83%  |
| <b>CA</b> | 317  | 6.08%  | 4.74%  | <b>CA</b> | 1769 | 5.86%  | 5.17%  |
| <b>RU</b> | 261  | 5.00%  | 3.89%  | <b>ES</b> | 1592 | 5.28%  | 2.81%  |
| <b>CH</b> | 248  | 4.75%  | 1.82%  | <b>AU</b> | 1583 | 5.25%  | 2.87%  |
| <b>JP</b> | 225  | 4.31%  | 9.41%  | <b>JP</b> | 1479 | 4.90%  | 10.27% |
| <b>NL</b> | 182  | 3.49%  | 2.59%  | <b>CH</b> | 1426 | 4.73%  | 1.99%  |

| Russia    |      |        |        | India     |      |        |        |
|-----------|------|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------|--------|
| A         | B    | C      | D      | A         | B    | C      | D      |
| <b>US</b> | 2699 | 23.68% | 36.07% | <b>US</b> | 1253 | 38.41% | 35.33% |
| <b>DE</b> | 2626 | 23.04% | 8.38%  | <b>DE</b> | 454  | 13.92% | 8.21%  |
| <b>FR</b> | 1445 | 12.68% | 6.62%  | <b>UK</b> | 434  | 13.30% | 9.72%  |
| <b>UK</b> | 1029 | 9.03%  | 9.92%  | <b>FR</b> | 323  | 9.90%  | 6.48%  |
| <b>IT</b> | 927  | 8.13%  | 4.18%  | <b>JP</b> | 235  | 7.20%  | 9.47%  |
| <b>JP</b> | 581  | 5.10%  | 9.67%  | <b>CA</b> | 215  | 6.59%  | 4.77%  |
| <b>PL</b> | 567  | 4.97%  | 1.11%  | <b>IT</b> | 189  | 5.79%  | 4.10%  |
| <b>UA</b> | 562  | 4.93%  | 0.60%  | <b>RU</b> | 121  | 3.71%  | 3.92%  |
| <b>SE</b> | 553  | 4.85%  | 2.12%  | <b>CH</b> | 102  | 3.13%  | 1.83%  |
| <b>NL</b> | 531  | 4.66%  | 2.66%  | <b>AU</b> | 99   | 3.03%  | 2.64%  |

The latter two values are identical if a country is exactly as important for the country under study as it is for the rest of the world. The deviation from this ideally balanced situation is in reality often considerable.

For example, the share of the USA in the world minus Austria's publication output amounts to about 35%, the share of joint Austrian-US papers in all internationally co-authored Austrian publications is only about 25%, that is, the USA are less important as a partner for Austria than the United States are as contributor to the world's total publication output. Germany is, roughly speaking, more than four times as important for Austria (ca. 36%) as it is for the world (ca. 8%). On the other hand, Japan's productivity share amounts to about 10%, its share in German international papers is less than 5%.

Without any further detailed discussion of the indicator values presented in Table 2, the following conclusions can be drawn. Although the USA have the highest share in the international papers of almost all selected countries, the USA are a less important partner for Europe than they are for the world. The USA play an important role as co-

publication partner for Israel, India and the countries in Far East (except for China, where Japan, Germany and Hong Kong have a greater relative weight). Germany proved a very important partner for most selected countries, especially, for Austria and the three EIT countries Hungary, Poland and Russia, but only to a lesser extent for Taiwan and South Korea. Vice versa, Russia became an important partner for several Eastern and Western European countries as well as for Israel and South Korea. On the other hand, Japan, one of the most important collaboration partners in the Far East, is still less important for Europe, USA and Israel.

### Citation Impact

#### *"Publication strategy" of domestic vs. international papers*

The relative expected citation index of international co-publications is a relative indicator designed to measure the deviation of a country's mean expected citation rate of international publications from domestic papers with respect to the world standard. The indicator is defined in similar manner as the Relative Specialisation Index, in particular,

$$\left( \frac{\text{MECR}_{\text{int}} / \text{WS} - 1}{\text{MECR}_{\text{dom}}} \right) / \left( \frac{\text{MECR}_{\text{int}} / \text{WS} + 1}{\text{MECR}_{\text{dom}}} \right),$$

where  $\text{MECR}_{\text{int}}$  ( $\text{MECR}_{\text{dom}}$ ) is the mean expected citation rate of international (domestic) publications of a selected country in a given field and WS is the corresponding 'world standard' of this ratio. The index takes values in the interval [-1, 1] and its neutral value is 0. The index values for the eight fields are presented in Table 3.

The world standard indicates a higher expected citation rate of international publications in all science fields. The WS ratio ranges between about 1.1 (CHE, ESS) and about 1.3 (MED, BRE, PHY and ENG). Negative values in Table 3 indicate that the deviation between international and domestic MECR is less than in case of the corresponding reference standards, or, that the international MECR of a country is even below the domestic one. Such cases, when countries are publishing their internationally co-authored papers on average in journals with lower impact than their domestic papers, are indicated in italics (Table 3). This phenomenon can be observed, first of all, in mathematics but, in part, also in chemistry and earth and space sciences. Not only less advanced countries are concerned, but also highly developed countries like the USA (in chemistry) and Australia (in mathematics).

Table 3  
 Relative expected citation index of international co-publications (1995/1996)  
 (absolute decrease is indicated in *italics*)

|             | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE          | PHY   | MAT          | ENG   | ESS          |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|
| ARGENTINA   | 0.14  | 0.10  | 0.12  | 0.04         | 0.03  | <i>-0.08</i> | 0.13  | 0.13         |
| AUSTRALIA   | 0.05  | 0.03  | 0.09  | 0.01         | 0.05  | <i>-0.12</i> | 0.07  | 0.04         |
| AUSTRIA     | 0.09  | 0.03  | 0.16  | -0.04        | 0.03  | 0.03         | 0.02  | 0.02         |
| BELARUS     | 0.21  | 0.41  | 0.36  | 0.30         | 0.23  | 0.06         | 0.49  | 0.77         |
| BELGIUM     | 0.01  | 0.05  | 0.07  | <i>-0.06</i> | -0.01 | -0.03        | 0.10  | 0.09         |
| BRAZIL      | 0.03  | 0.29  | 0.09  | 0.03         | 0.00  | <i>-0.08</i> | 0.07  | 0.12         |
| BULGARIA    | -0.07 | 0.17  | 0.33  | 0.07         | 0.19  | 0.05         | 0.13  | -0.06        |
| CANADA      | -0.01 | 0.06  | 0.08  | -0.05        | 0.06  | -0.04        | 0.10  | 0.04         |
| CHILE       | 0.44  | 0.16  | 0.10  | 0.20         | 0.00  | <i>-0.18</i> | 0.06  | 0.04         |
| CROATIA     | 0.13  | 0.06  | 0.25  | 0.04         | 0.03  | <i>-0.22</i> | 0.10  | -0.03        |
| CZECH REPUB | 0.09  | 0.14  | 0.21  | 0.20         | 0.12  | 0.00         | 0.11  | 0.02         |
| DENMARK     | 0.05  | 0.11  | 0.07  | 0.02         | -0.01 | 0.02         | 0.03  | 0.07         |
| EGYPT       | -0.06 | 0.28  | 0.21  | 0.21         | 0.09  | <i>-0.13</i> | 0.30  | 0.10         |
| FINLAND     | 0.08  | 0.10  | 0.08  | 0.01         | 0.05  | -0.01        | 0.17  | 0.09         |
| FRANCE      | 0.12  | 0.10  | 0.04  | 0.00         | 0.03  | 0.11         | 0.05  | 0.00         |
| GERMANY     | 0.14  | 0.11  | 0.08  | -0.01        | 0.00  | 0.01         | 0.05  | 0.01         |
| GREECE      | 0.11  | 0.27  | 0.21  | 0.08         | 0.09  | 0.10         | 0.21  | 0.00         |
| HONG KONG   | 0.03  | 0.10  | 0.02  | -0.04        | 0.05  | -0.06        | 0.03  | 0.13         |
| HUNGARY     | 0.10  | 0.13  | 0.16  | 0.13         | 0.07  | 0.06         | 0.09  | 0.07         |
| INDIA       | 0.16  | 0.24  | 0.09  | 0.13         | 0.08  | <i>-0.08</i> | 0.00  | 0.03         |
| IRELAND     | 0.03  | 0.01  | 0.14  | -0.02        | -0.08 | -0.02        | 0.12  | 0.03         |
| ISRAEL      | 0.12  | 0.12  | 0.08  | 0.02         | -0.02 | -0.05        | 0.01  | -0.02        |
| ITALY       | 0.07  | 0.14  | 0.07  | 0.04         | 0.06  | 0.04         | 0.13  | 0.05         |
| JAPAN       | 0.06  | 0.15  | 0.11  | -0.02        | 0.07  | -0.01        | 0.14  | 0.04         |
| MEXICO      | 0.11  | 0.14  | 0.02  | 0.06         | 0.13  | <i>-0.08</i> | 0.10  | -0.02        |
| NETHERLANDS | -0.02 | 0.06  | 0.03  | -0.04        | 0.01  | -0.06        | 0.08  | 0.04         |
| NEW ZEALAND | 0.15  | -0.02 | 0.11  | 0.05         | 0.14  | -0.03        | 0.03  | 0.05         |
| NORWAY      | 0.01  | 0.06  | 0.08  | -0.04        | 0.10  | 0.11         | 0.18  | 0.06         |
| PEOPLES R C | 0.37  | 0.25  | 0.00  | 0.07         | 0.06  | -0.06        | 0.02  | 0.14         |
| POLAND      | 0.07  | 0.11  | 0.15  | 0.12         | 0.14  | 0.06         | 0.10  | 0.03         |
| PORTUGAL    | 0.02  | 0.16  | 0.05  | 0.08         | 0.03  | 0.17         | 0.14  | 0.04         |
| ROMANIA     | 0.23  | 0.20  | -0.05 | 0.32         | 0.14  | 0.14         | 0.07  | 0.11         |
| RUSSIA      | 0.48  | 0.68  | 0.46  | 0.44         | 0.39  | 0.29         | 0.45  | 0.58         |
| SAUDI ARABI | 0.00  | 0.13  | 0.07  | 0.05         | 0.03  | <i>-0.29</i> | 0.24  | <i>-0.13</i> |
| SINGAPORE   | 0.27  | 0.14  | 0.16  | 0.07         | -0.11 | <i>-0.12</i> | 0.15  | 0.10         |
| SLOVAKIA    | 0.28  | 0.27  | 0.29  | 0.24         | 0.21  | 0.17         | 0.15  | 0.01         |
| SLOVENIA    | 0.10  | -0.06 | 0.02  | 0.05         | 0.11  | -0.01        | 0.16  | <i>-0.23</i> |
| SOUTH AFRIC | 0.22  | 0.05  | 0.09  | 0.02         | 0.09  | <i>-0.08</i> | 0.33  | 0.13         |
| SOUTH KOREA | 0.10  | 0.13  | -0.03 | 0.03         | 0.14  | <i>-0.23</i> | -0.02 | -0.01        |
| SPAIN       | 0.16  | 0.12  | 0.05  | 0.00         | 0.00  | 0.00         | 0.00  | 0.05         |
| SWEDEN      | 0.03  | 0.06  | 0.04  | -0.03        | -0.01 | 0.05         | 0.04  | 0.03         |
| SWITZERLAND | 0.10  | 0.01  | 0.03  | -0.03        | 0.02  | 0.01         | 0.00  | 0.01         |
| TAIWAN      | 0.03  | 0.01  | 0.02  | 0.04         | 0.18  | 0.02         | 0.05  | 0.15         |
| THAILAND    | 0.11  | 0.15  | 0.02  | -0.02        | -0.08 | n. a.        | 0.13  | <i>-0.14</i> |
| TURKEY      | 0.06  | 0.14  | 0.12  | 0.17         | 0.13  | <i>-0.21</i> | 0.23  | 0.06         |
| UK          | 0.07  | 0.03  | 0.01  | -0.03        | 0.03  | 0.00         | 0.08  | 0.00         |
| UKRAINE     | 0.27  | 0.42  | 0.31  | 0.27         | 0.32  | 0.24         | 0.24  | 0.44         |
| USA         | -0.07 | -0.07 | -0.04 | <i>-0.08</i> | -0.09 | -0.03        | -0.08 | -0.04        |
| VENEZUELA   | 0.09  | 0.10  | 0.02  | 0.09         | 0.01  | <i>-0.13</i> | 0.05  | 0.12         |
| YUGOSLAVIA  | 0.09  | -0.08 | 0.07  | -0.02        | 0.08  | <i>-0.15</i> | 0.06  | <i>-0.12</i> |

*Citation impact of domestic vs. international papers*

The citation analysis of domestic/international papers is based on the interpretation of ‘attractivity charts’ similar to those introduced in *REIST-2* (1997). Citations have been counted for a 3-year period each to papers published in 1995 and 1996, respectively, as described in the section “Data sources and data processing”. The Mean Observed Citation Rate (MOCR) reflects the factual citation impact of a country, whereas the Mean Expected Citation Rate (MECR) is based on the 3-year mean citation rate of the journals in which the countries under study have been publishing. This journal citation measure is used as the reference standard for papers published in the corresponding journal.

The relative citation attractivity is measured by the Relative Citation Rate (RCR) as defined and applied in earlier studies by *Braun, Schubert and Glänzel* (for instance, 1985). In particular, RCR is defined as the ratio of the Citation Rate per Publication to the Expected Citation Rate per Publication, that is,  $RCR = MOCR/MECR$ . RCR measures whether the publications of a country attract more or less citations than expected on the basis of the average citation rates of the journals in which they appeared. The indicator ranges between 0 and infinity, the neutral value is 1.  $RCR < 1$  ( $RCR > 1$ ) means attractivity is below (above) expectation.

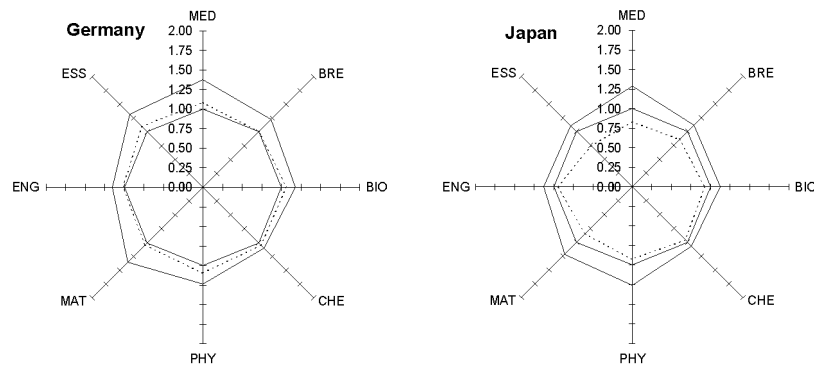


Figure 7a. Citation impact of domestic vs. international papers (‘big advanced’ countries)  
(thin line: world standard, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

In order to analyse citation impact of domestic vs. international papers, the 50 most active countries have been grouped into four categories according to their size and their stage of development. Following the practice of the *REIST-2* report, four categories

have been created, namely, ‘big advanced’, ‘small advanced’, ‘big non-advanced’ and ‘small non-advanced’ countries. Each category is represented by two selected countries, the attractivity patterns of which will be shown in Figures 7a-d.

Germany and Japan are the two selected representatives of the first category, the group of ‘big advanced’ countries (see Figure 7a). As a rule, international papers have a higher attractivity than the domestic ones (cf. *REIST-2*, 1997, *Glänzel*, 2000). Even in Germany, where the domestic attractivity is already above the world standard, international co-authorship increases citation attractivity. Japan is even more affected by the effect of international collaboration on attractivity. Here the attractivity of domestic publications in all fields is below the world standard, but the Relative Citation Rate has grown strikingly if publications were the result of international collaboration. In both countries international collaboration has a strong effect in clinical medicine and mathematics. In Japan international collaboration also considerably increases the attractivity of physics.

Denmark and New Zealand have been selected from the group of ‘small advanced’ countries (Figure 7b). International co-authorship increases citation attractivity in comparison to the already high domestic standard also in these countries. The impact of domestic publications in Denmark is already above the world standard, except for physics and engineering, which are slightly below the expectation. In Denmark the field ‘clinical medicine’ shows a remarkable increase in attractivity if foreign authors are involved. More details on the attractivity patterns of Nordic countries expressed by the Relative Citation Rate of domestic/international papers can be found in *Glänzel* (2000).

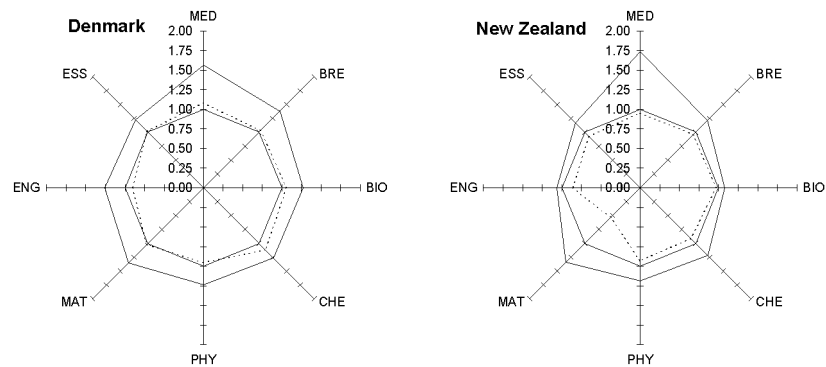


Figure 7b. Citation impact of domestic vs. international papers (‘small advanced’ countries)  
(thin line: world standard, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

The attractiveness of New Zealand's domestic publications is slightly below the expectation, except for mathematics and engineering. In the latter fields it is clearly below the standard. The increase in attractiveness through international collaboration in mathematics and clinical medicine is immense.

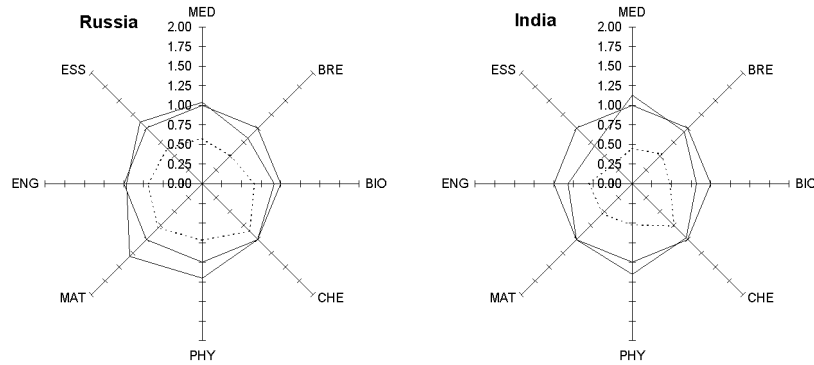


Figure 7c. Citation impact of domestic vs. international papers ('big non-advanced' countries)  
(thin line: world standard, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

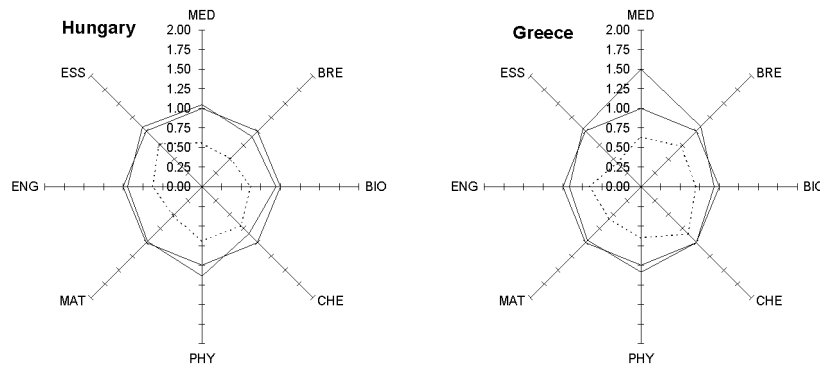


Figure 7d. Citation impact of domestic vs. international papers ('small non-advanced' countries)  
(thin line: world standard, dotted line: domestic papers, solid line: international papers)

Citation-based indicators of internationally co-authored papers are in the distinctly higher attractiveness zone for less advanced countries than domestic indicators. This applies to both large and small countries (cf. Figures 7c and 7d). In most countries



the improvement of citation impact by international co-authorship does not mean that attractivity becomes high, often it is only not as low as in the case of the national standard (cf. *REIST-2*, 1997). In Russia, Hungary and Greece domestic attractivity below expectation is, however, contrasted by the attractivity of international co-publications corresponding to or lying even above the expectation. The relative citation rate of Russia in physics (1.20) and mathematics (1.31) and of Greece in clinical medicine (1.49) is indeed high. In India only international co-publications in clinical medicine and physics have a citation attractivity which lies above the expectation.

#### *Frequency distributions of domestic and international papers*

In the following, the frequency distributions of domestic and international papers will be compared for one representative each of the above four categories according to size and scientific/economic development. Figures 8a-d present the comparison of the frequency distribution of citations received by domestic and international papers for the four selected countries in all fields combined in 1995/96. The domestic distributions of Germany ('big advanced'), Denmark ('small advanced'), Russia ('big non-advanced') and Hungary ('small non-advanced') differ considerably. Those of the two non-advanced countries are more skewed, less polarised, and have shorter tails. Russia's distribution of citations over domestic papers reflect the least impact among the selected countries.

According to expectations, Denmark and Germany have the most propitious 'domestic' citation distribution among the four countries under study. As already shown in the context of a similar analysis made for Scandinavian countries (see *Glänzel*, 2000), one can conclude that, concerning the influence of international collaboration, the same kind of deviation of the citation frequency of international papers from that of domestic publication can be observed for all four countries. In particular, the 'head' of the distribution, that is, the share of uncited and less frequently cited papers decreases if international papers are considered, whereas frequencies in the 'trunk' of the distribution increase and the 'tail' becomes longer.

The distance between domestic and international distributions of one and the same country, on one hand, and citation distributions of different countries, on the other hand, will be measured on the basis of the normalised sum over the weighted absolute deviation between corresponding relative frequencies.

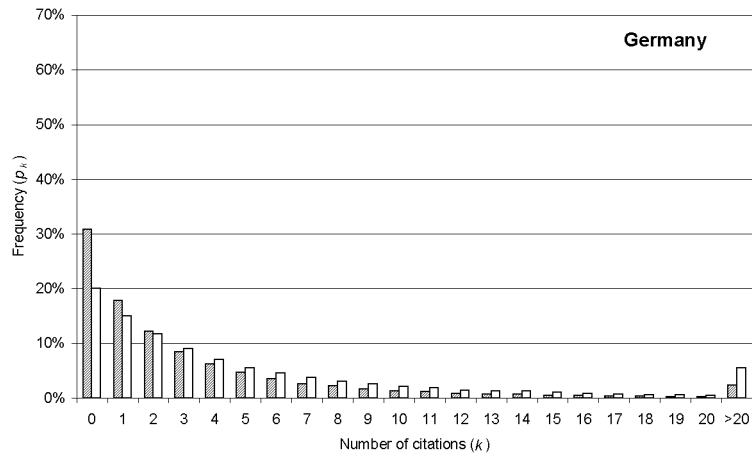


Figure 8a. Frequency distributions of citations over domestic and international papers ('big advanced' country) (shaded bars: domestic papers, white bars: international papers)

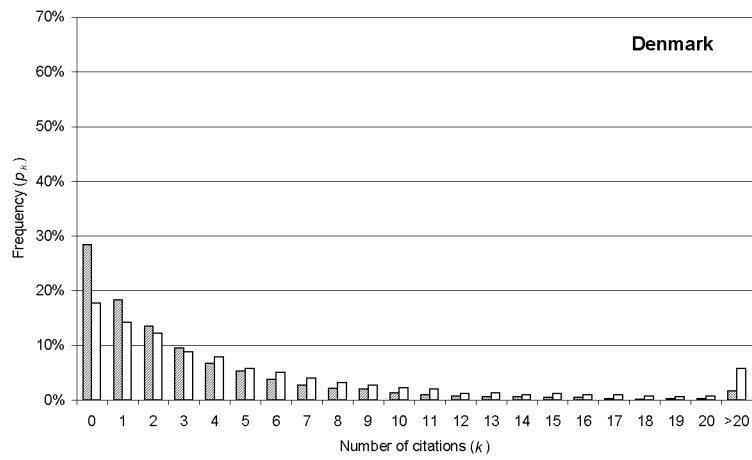


Figure 8b. Frequency distributions of citations over domestic and international papers ('small advanced' country) (shaded bars: domestic papers, white bars: international papers)

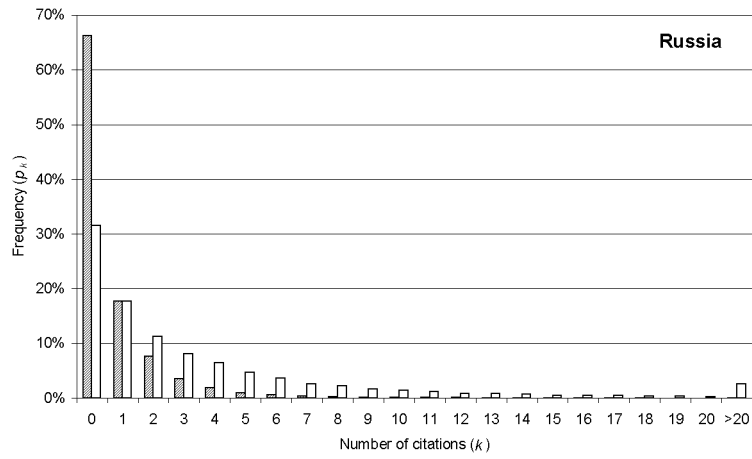


Figure 8c. Frequency distributions of citations over domestic and international papers ('big non-advanced' country) (shaded bars: domestic papers, white bars: international papers)

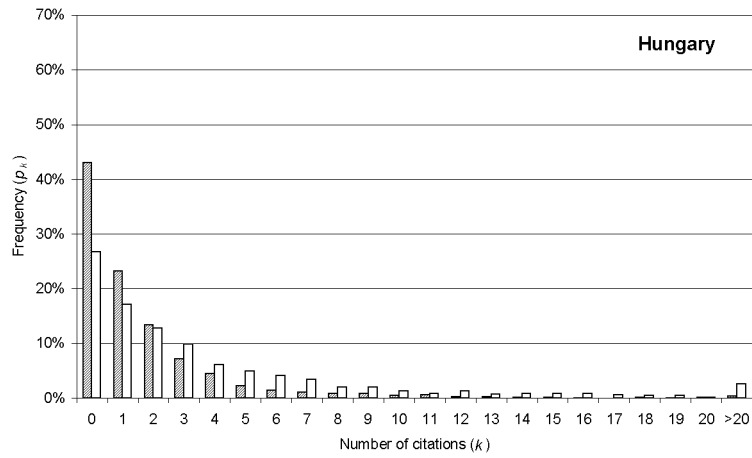


Figure 8d. Frequency distributions of citations over domestic and international papers ('small non-advanced' country) (shaded bars: domestic papers, white bars: international papers)

This measure, which ranges between 0 (identical distributions) and 1 (maximum deviation) has already been applied in the paper on Scandinavian science (Glänzel, 2000). The least deviation of the international distribution from the domestic one ( $d = 0.21$ ) can be observed for Germany (see Figure 8a). The deviation is slightly greater for Denmark ( $d = 0.28$ , Figure 8b). As expected, greater deviations can be found for the less advanced countries, where the  $d$ -values amount to 0.47 for Hungary (Figure 8d) and to 0.72 for Russia (Figure 8c). The latter value of about  $\frac{3}{4}$  in connection with the low impact of Russian domestic research (see also previous section) reflects an almost critical situation.

In the context of frequency distribution of citation over domestic and international papers, an interesting coincidence can be observed. The deviation between the citation distributions of Russia's international and of Germany's domestic papers of  $d = 0.03$  is almost negligible, that is, from the viewpoint of number of received citations, Russian international papers statistically behave like German domestic ones (cf. shaded bars in Figure 8a and white bars in Figure 8c). It should, however, be stressed that this phenomenon has to be considered a mere coincidence.

#### *Citation analysis of co-authorship links by country pairs*

The results of the previous sections have confirmed the expectations, according to which international collaboration, on average, results in publications with higher citation rates than purely domestic papers, and that international collaboration thus seems to pay for all partners involved. However, results presented earlier have already shown that in some fields internationally co-authored papers may, on average, be published in journals with lower impact factors than domestic papers. In this section both the expected and observed citation rate of international co-publications will be analysed by country pairs. In order to give an insight into co-authorship links and citation impact, three subject fields have been selected. Biomedical research is representing the life sciences, chemistry the natural sciences and the third field is mathematics. The field of physics has not been selected because frequent multi-national co-authorships may distort or even falsify measures of links defined on country pairs. In order to obtain statistically reliable results, links with less than 25 (in mathematics less than 20) joint papers have been omitted. The indicators for seven countries in each of the three fields are presented in Tables 4-6.

Table 4 shows mean observed and expected citation rates of co-authorship links of Germany, France, Denmark, Australia, Poland, Israel and China in biomedical research for papers published in 1995/96. Data are arranged in descending order by the observed

citation rates. Note that all citation data are again based on 3-year citation windows. The field impact of the world total is 5.00. In this field co-publications mostly attract high citation rates. Germany and France have numerous co-publication links and most of them have MOCR and MECR values distinctly above both the own (domestic) values and the world standard. The same applies to Australia, Denmark and Israel, however, these countries are smaller and also have less co-publication links above the world reference standard. Strong links with a mean citation rate greater than the domestic MOCR of any of the two contributing countries were called *hot links* (Glänzel and Schubert, 2001). The links Germany–Austria ( $r_{ij} = 6.1\%^*$ , MOCR = 10.9) and Australia–Netherlands ( $r_{ij} = 2.5\%$ , MOCR = 13.9) may just serve as examples for such hot links.

Table 4

Co-authorship links and citation impact for seven selected countries in biomedical research ranked by mean observed citation rate (domestic values are set in *italics*; field impact in 1995/96 = 5.00)

|           | Germany |      | France    |       | Denmark |           | Australia |      | Poland    |       | Israel |           | P.R. China |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
|-----------|---------|------|-----------|-------|---------|-----------|-----------|------|-----------|-------|--------|-----------|------------|------|-----------|-------|------|-----------|------|------|
|           | Obs.    | Exp. | Obs.      | Exp.  | Obs.    | Exp.      | Obs.      | Exp. | Obs.      | Exp.  | Obs.   | Exp.      | Obs.       | Exp. |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CA</b> | 13.59   | 8.03 | <b>JP</b> | 15.35 | 7.93    | <b>IT</b> | 13.83     | 7.24 | <b>NL</b> | 13.86 | 8.06   | <b>UK</b> | 9.05       | 4.05 | <b>UK</b> | 12.55 | 6.67 | <b>US</b> | 4.89 | 4.29 |
| <b>ES</b> | 12.46   | 6.58 | <b>AT</b> | 13.46 | 5.94    | <b>ES</b> | 12.50     | 6.36 | <b>FR</b> | 11.38 | 6.53   | <b>US</b> | 6.88       | 4.93 | <b>IT</b> | 9.96  | 6.49 | <b>SE</b> | 4.28 | 3.62 |
| <b>JP</b> | 12.40   | 7.61 | <b>FI</b> | 13.11 | 7.38    | <b>DE</b> | 12.38     | 6.77 | <b>CH</b> | 11.10 | 6.96   | <b>SE</b> | 5.69       | 4.03 | <b>US</b> | 9.34  | 8.11 | <b>DE</b> | 3.91 | 4.51 |
| <b>DK</b> | 12.38   | 6.77 | <b>CH</b> | 12.08 | 8.82    | <b>FR</b> | 11.87     | 5.20 | <b>SE</b> | 10.96 | 6.05   | <b>DE</b> | 5.48       | 3.43 | <b>FR</b> | 8.87  | 6.42 | <b>JP</b> | 1.91 | 2.34 |
| <b>US</b> | 11.25   | 8.50 | <b>DK</b> | 11.87 | 5.20    | <b>CH</b> | 11.13     | 5.12 | <b>DE</b> | 10.91 | 7.64   | <b>FR</b> | 3.74       | 4.24 | <b>DE</b> | 8.15  | 6.71 | <b>HK</b> | 1.89 | 2.93 |
| <b>FR</b> | 11.10   | 6.96 | <b>AU</b> | 11.38 | 6.53    | <b>NL</b> | 10.75     | 4.63 | <b>US</b> | 9.07  | 7.70   | <b>IT</b> | 2.69       | 2.64 | <b>CA</b> | 7.03  | 5.89 | <b>CN</b> | 1.02 | 1.56 |
| <b>AU</b> | 10.91   | 7.64 | <b>US</b> | 11.14 | 8.23    | <b>BE</b> | 10.70     | 4.16 | <b>CA</b> | 8.72  | 5.81   | <b>AT</b> | 1.94       | 1.88 | <b>IL</b> | 3.44  | 4.09 |           |      |      |
| <b>FI</b> | 10.46   | 6.40 | <b>DE</b> | 11.10 | 6.96    | <b>UK</b> | 10.65     | 5.11 | <b>DK</b> | 8.23  | 4.46   | <b>PL</b> | 1.27       | 2.09 |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>NL</b> | 10.13   | 6.83 | <b>NL</b> | 10.95 | 6.86    | <b>US</b> | 10.14     | 7.09 | <b>IT</b> | 7.49  | 6.54   |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>UK</b> | 9.90    | 7.20 | <b>UK</b> | 10.21 | 6.47    | <b>NO</b> | 8.41      | 5.80 | <b>UK</b> | 7.39  | 5.89   |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>BR</b> | 9.72    | 4.49 | <b>ES</b> | 9.16  | 5.75    | <b>AU</b> | 8.23      | 4.46 | <b>JP</b> | 7.06  | 5.81   |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>IT</b> | 9.48    | 6.87 | <b>CA</b> | 8.89  | 5.62    | <b>FI</b> | 7.94      | 4.75 | <b>NZ</b> | 4.80  | 4.96   |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CH</b> | 9.29    | 7.30 | <b>IL</b> | 8.87  | 6.42    | <b>SE</b> | 6.96      | 4.93 | <b>AU</b> | 4.03  | 4.35   |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>NO</b> | 8.98    | 7.37 | <b>IT</b> | 8.42  | 6.28    | <b>CA</b> | 6.28      | 5.99 |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>SE</b> | 8.93    | 6.85 | <b>SE</b> | 8.40  | 5.53    | <b>DK</b> | 3.51      | 3.40 |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>AT</b> | 8.70    | 5.71 | <b>BE</b> | 7.85  | 5.23    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>BE</b> | 8.55    | 4.99 | <b>RU</b> | 7.24  | 6.80    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>GR</b> | 8.35    | 7.98 | <b>NO</b> | 6.88  | 4.72    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>IL</b> | 8.15    | 6.71 | <b>PT</b> | 6.82  | 5.38    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>HU</b> | 7.67    | 7.61 | <b>GR</b> | 6.31  | 5.66    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CZ</b> | 5.69    | 4.30 | <b>BR</b> | 4.53  | 5.62    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>PL</b> | 5.48    | 3.43 | <b>PL</b> | 3.74  | 4.24    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>ZA</b> | 4.53    | 3.86 | <b>FR</b> | 3.72  | 4.09    |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>DE</b> | 4.16    | 4.13 |           |       |         |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>RU</b> | 4.10    | 3.55 |           |       |         |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CN</b> | 3.91    | 4.51 |           |       |         |           |           |      |           |       |        |           |            |      |           |       |      |           |      |      |

\*  $r_{ij}$  values are not presented in Tables 4–6. Note that not all of the listed links can be considered strong according to Salton's measure

The results in the case of Poland and China, however, differ from those of the other selected countries. All MECR values here are below the world average and in China the MOCR values of joint publications with any other country do not reach the world average either. By contrast, the MOCR values of Poland's co-publications with UK, USA, Sweden and Germany are above this reference standard. Nevertheless, collaboration in this field seems to pay for most of the listed countries although not always for both partners involved.

Table 5 shows mean observed and expected citation rates of co-authorship links of Germany, Japan, Sweden, Canada, the Netherlands, Hungary and Denmark in chemistry in the same period as above. The field impact of the world total is here 3.07. Contrary to biomedical research, the situation is less favourable in chemistry. More MOCR and MECR values of joint papers are below the world average and one of the corresponding domestic standards and several values are even below both domestic reference values.

Germany, again, has many co-publication links and more than half of them have MOCR and MECR values distinctly above the two standards. It is worth mentioning that even Germany's domestic values lie clearly above the reference standard of the world total. Nevertheless, the by far 'hottest' link could be found for Sweden and New Zealand ( $r_{ij} = 3.0\%$ , MOCR = 9.2).

The co-authorship links Netherlands–Switzerland (MOCR<sub>NL(dom)</sub> = 3.92, MOCR<sub>CH(dom)</sub> = 4.87) and Sweden–United Kingdom (MOCR<sub>SE(dom)</sub> = 3.86, MOCR<sub>UK(dom)</sub> = 3.56) attracted less citations than expected on the basis of the corresponding domestic reference standards. Glänzel and Schubert (2001) called this type of links *cool links*. It is, however, worth mentioning that Swedish-British co-authorship attracted on average more citations than the world standard.

This sample illustrates that international co-authorship does certainly not always increase the attractivity of national scientific publications. In several cases it is even below the domestic standards of one or both partner(s).

Table 6 shows mean observed and expected citation rates of co-authorship links of Germany, France, Israel, Australia, Poland, India and South Korea in mathematics (1995/96). The field impact of the world total is lower than in the preceding cases, and amounts to 1.44. Here the situation is similar to that in chemistry. Several MOCR and MECR values are again below one or both domestic reference value(s).

Germany and France have many co-publication links and most of them have MOCR and MECR values above the two standards. In mathematics, especially the co-publication link between Russia and Israel proved really hot ( $r_{ij} = 2.8\%$ , MOCR = 5.6).

Table 5  
Co-authorship links and citation impact for seven selected countries in chemistry ranked  
by mean observed citation rate (domestic values are set in *italics*; field impact in 1995/96 = 3.07)

| Germany |      | Japan |           | Canada |      | Sweden    |      | Netherlands |           | Hungary |      | Denmark   |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
|---------|------|-------|-----------|--------|------|-----------|------|-------------|-----------|---------|------|-----------|------|------|-----------|------|------|-----------|------|------|
| Obs.    | Exp. | Obs.  | Exp.      | Obs.   | Exp. | Obs.      | Exp. | Obs.        | Exp.      | Obs.    | Exp. | Obs.      | Exp. |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| US      | 5.68 | 4.75  | <b>CH</b> | 7.44   | 4.79 | IT        | 6.26 | 4.81        | <b>NZ</b> | 9.24    | 3.39 | <b>IT</b> | 6.70 | 3.63 | <b>US</b> | 3.58 | 3.87 | <b>SE</b> | 6.91 | 4.32 |
| AU      | 5.43 | 3.78  | <b>IT</b> | 5.07   | 3.69 | <b>CH</b> | 6.00 | 4.48        | <b>DK</b> | 6.91    | 4.32 | <b>US</b> | 5.76 | 4.16 | <b>FR</b> | 3.22 | 3.19 | <b>US</b> | 5.97 | 4.41 |
| CA      | 5.17 | 3.99  | <b>NL</b> | 4.88   | 3.04 | <b>SE</b> | 5.43 | 4.83        | US        | 5.77    | 4.42 | <b>UK</b> | 5.44 | 3.33 | <b>BE</b> | 3.00 | 3.37 | <b>UK</b> | 4.74 | 3.76 |
| FI      | 4.83 | 3.28  | <b>US</b> | 4.55   | 4.05 | <b>BE</b> | 5.31 | 3.11        | CA        | 5.43    | 4.83 | <b>JP</b> | 4.88 | 3.04 | <b>DE</b> | 2.81 | 2.90 | <b>DE</b> | 4.57 | 3.57 |
| NL      | 4.77 | 3.83  | <b>FR</b> | 4.44   | 3.67 | <b>DE</b> | 5.17 | 3.99        | <b>NO</b> | 5.38    | 3.82 | <b>FR</b> | 4.82 | 3.52 | <b>IT</b> | 2.74 | 3.25 | <b>DK</b> | 3.57 | 3.18 |
| UK      | 4.75 | 3.80  | CA        | 3.84   | 3.38 | AU        | 4.82 | 3.99        | ES        | 5.00    | 4.18 | DE        | 4.77 | 3.83 | UK        | 2.49 | 2.95 | FR        | 3.28 | 4.09 |
| GR      | 4.74 | 3.64  | DE        | 3.51   | 3.53 | US        | 4.59 | 4.26        | FR        | 4.86    | 4.00 | CZ        | 4.24 | 3.88 | HU        | 1.59 | 2.25 | RU        | 2.40 | 3.20 |
| PT      | 4.60 | 3.64  | AU        | 3.48   | 2.92 | UK        | 4.03 | 3.52        | NL        | 4.14    | 3.67 | SE        | 4.14 | 3.67 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| FR      | 4.60 | 3.93  | SE        | 3.33   | 3.20 | ES        | 4.00 | 4.26        | DE        | 3.90    | 3.66 | RU        | 4.09 | 3.18 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| DK      | 4.57 | 3.57  | UK        | 3.23   | 3.05 | CA        | 3.89 | 3.72        | SE        | 3.86    | 3.51 | BE        | 4.06 | 3.52 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| CH      | 4.39 | 3.80  | JP        | 2.97   | 3.09 | JP        | 3.84 | 3.38        | UK        | 3.82    | 3.70 | NL        | 3.92 | 3.45 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| IL      | 4.34 | 5.22  | RU        | 2.70   | 2.82 | FR        | 3.68 | 3.73        | JP        | 3.33    | 3.20 | ES        | 3.83 | 3.11 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| ES      | 4.23 | 3.98  | PL        | 2.48   | 3.04 | RU        | 2.62 | 3.55        | PL        | 2.17    | 2.50 | CH        | 3.78 | 3.20 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| SE      | 3.90 | 3.66  | CN        | 2.43   | 2.74 | PL        | 2.21 | 3.28        | RU        | 2.10    | 2.93 | PL        | 2.36 | 2.73 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| CZ      | 3.80 | 3.17  | KR        | 2.23   | 2.18 | CN        | 1.36 | 2.96        |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| IT      | 3.75 | 3.96  | IN        | 1.97   | 2.18 |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| RU      | 3.71 | 2.81  | TW        | 1.97   | 2.43 |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| BE      | 3.62 | 3.38  | EG        | 1.77   | 2.44 |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| JP      | 3.51 | 3.53  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| DE      | 3.44 | 3.28  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| AT      | 3.04 | 2.91  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| NO      | 3.03 | 2.81  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| UA      | 2.93 | 2.57  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| HU      | 2.81 | 2.90  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| CR      | 2.78 | 3.45  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| PL      | 2.51 | 2.59  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| SK      | 2.42 | 2.17  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| CN      | 2.29 | 2.82  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| BR      | 2.26 | 2.48  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| TR      | 2.24 | 2.54  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| AR      | 2.14 | 3.38  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| IN      | 2.02 | 3.01  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| BG      | 2.00 | 2.89  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| EG      | 1.57 | 2.58  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| RO      | 1.30 | 2.22  |           |        |      |           |      |             |           |         |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |

Further hot links are, among others, Israel–Germany, Israel–USA, USA–Poland, USA–India, Germany–Italy, Germany–France, Germany–Hungary, Germany–Russia and France–Italy. On the other hand, the co-publication links Israel–Canada, India–Canada and South Korea–USA proved to be cool. The citation impact patterns of internationally co-authored papers in mathematics are even more polarised than they are in chemistry.

Table 6  
Co-authorship links and citation impact for seven selected countries in mathematics ranked  
by mean observed citation rate (domestic values are set in *italics*; field impact in 1995/96 = 1.44)

| Germany   |      | France |           | Israel |      | Australia |      | Poland |           | India |      | South Korea |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
|-----------|------|--------|-----------|--------|------|-----------|------|--------|-----------|-------|------|-------------|------|------|-----------|------|------|-----------|------|------|
| Obs.      | Exp. | Obs.   | Exp.      | Obs.   | Exp. | Obs.      | Exp. | Obs.   | Exp.      | Obs.  | Exp. | Obs.        | Exp. |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>ES</b> | 5.27 | 1.96   | <b>DE</b> | 3.21   | 2.05 | RU        | 5.62 | 2.52   | RU        | 2.95  | 2.06 | <b>US</b>   | 3.51 | 1.86 | US        | 1.71 | 1.86 | <i>KR</i> | 1.00 | 1.57 |
| <b>IT</b> | 4.20 | 1.95   | <b>BR</b> | 3.20   | 2.18 | <b>DE</b> | 2.50 | 1.98   | <b>US</b> | 2.00  | 1.29 | <b>DE</b>   | 2.18 | 2.39 | <b>DE</b> | 1.32 | 1.78 | <b>US</b> | 0.93 | 1.11 |
| <b>DK</b> | 3.27 | 2.57   | <b>IT</b> | 3.02   | 2.11 | <b>UK</b> | 1.83 | 1.66   | <b>DE</b> | 1.97  | 2.18 | <b>FR</b>   | 1.61 | 1.63 | <i>IN</i> | 0.92 | 1.72 |           |      |      |
| <b>HU</b> | 3.23 | 2.82   | <b>ES</b> | 2.90   | 1.62 | <b>US</b> | 1.62 | 1.59   | <b>UK</b> | 1.92  | 1.33 | <b>CA</b>   | 1.33 | 1.05 | <b>CA</b> | 0.75 | 1.32 |           |      |      |
| <b>FR</b> | 3.21 | 2.05   | <b>NL</b> | 2.82   | 1.76 | <b>FR</b> | 1.41 | 1.29   | <i>AU</i> | 1.45  | 1.50 | <i>PL</i>   | 0.86 | 1.36 |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>RU</b> | 3.19 | 2.26   | <b>US</b> | 2.47   | 1.89 | <i>IL</i> | 1.24 | 1.56   | <b>CA</b> | 1.03  | 1.33 |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>JP</b> | 2.93 | 2.01   | <b>JP</b> | 2.03   | 1.37 | <b>CA</b> | 0.81 | 0.97   |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>UK</b> | 2.88 | 1.71   | <b>CH</b> | 1.86   | 1.91 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CH</b> | 2.60 | 2.08   | <b>RU</b> | 1.84   | 1.66 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>US</b> | 2.53 | 1.87   | <b>BE</b> | 1.83   | 2.02 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>IL</b> | 2.50 | 1.98   | <b>UK</b> | 1.79   | 2.05 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>AT</b> | 2.23 | 1.29   | <b>PL</b> | 1.61   | 1.63 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CA</b> | 2.20 | 1.70   | <b>IL</b> | 1.41   | 1.29 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>PL</b> | 2.18 | 2.39   | <b>CA</b> | 1.23   | 1.50 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>UA</b> | 2.00 | 2.18   | <i>FR</i> | 1.16   | 1.20 |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>NL</b> | 2.00 | 1.84   |           |        |      |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>AU</b> | 1.97 | 2.18   |           |        |      |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <i>DE</i> | 1.67 | 1.60   |           |        |      |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CN</b> | 1.41 | 1.97   |           |        |      |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>IN</b> | 1.32 | 1.78   |           |        |      |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |
| <b>CZ</b> | 1.16 | 1.23   |           |        |      |           |      |        |           |       |      |             |      |      |           |      |      |           |      |      |

Finally, an example for the citation distribution of internationally co-authored papers of country pairs will be given. This example shall illustrate that normally, even in extreme cases and for small samples, the mean observed citation rate is not only determined by the citation rates received by very few papers. Figure 9 shows the citation distribution of Swedish–Russian chemistry publications in 1995/96 in comparison with that of papers published by authors from Sweden and New Zealand in the same field. Neither distribution is degenerate.

The shape of the citation distribution of joint papers from Sweden and New Zealand reflects a very favourable situation. The distribution is not especially skewed and, moreover, there are no uncited papers. It has a mode at 5 citations and the maximum citation rate amounts to 29 citations. Acceptable fits can, for instance, be obtained from a negative binomial distribution model.

The shape of the second citation distribution (joint Swedish–Russian papers in chemistry) reflects a much less favourable situation. The distribution is really skewed. The frequency of uncited papers is high, but the distribution has two modes, particularly, at 0 and 4 citations. The shape resembles to that of a Neyman's Type A



distribution with two modes. These two examples may illustrate that even such extreme cases of citation distributions still obey the rules of bibliometric laws.

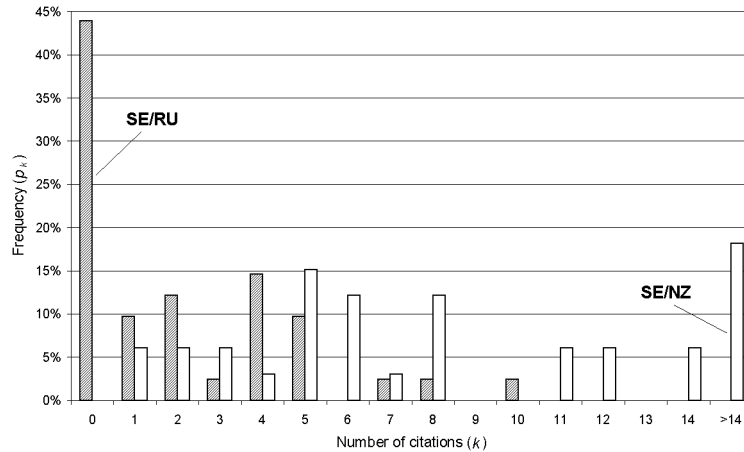


Figure 9. Frequency distributions of citations over international co-publications by authors from Sweden and Russia ( $N = 41$ ) and Sweden and New Zealand ( $N = 33$ ), respectively

### Conclusions

On the basis of overall patterns and selected examples, the following answers have been found to the research questions formulated in the introduction. First, the analysis has confirmed once again that international collaboration has strongly intensified in the last decade. The most interesting observation concerned the re-integration of EIT countries into the scientific collaboration structures of Europe and the Western world. In addition to the co-authorship affinity to the USA, the traditional geopolitical links of these countries have also been re-established. Beyond that, a certain restructuring in South America has been experienced. And the strong co-authorship link between Hong Kong and China indicates the beginning coalescence of the two scientific systems.

Interesting national characteristics have been found in the context of publication profiles. In several countries international collaboration is in keeping with the profile of domestic research. Other countries compensate relatively weak domestic activities through international collaboration or, in contrast, they even intensify their own strong

activities in the preferred science fields by international collaboration. Although no obvious connection between these patterns and the countries' 'size' and degree of economic/scientific development could be found, the patterns proved to be typical of the national publication strategies. Finally, a group of countries, in which the international publication profiles completely differ from the corresponding domestic ones could be found. These indefinite patterns are rather typical of small and less developed countries.

The third question concerned the influence of international collaboration on chosen publication channels as reflected by journal impact factors. The somewhat unexpected answer was that in mathematics and in the natural sciences several countries publish their internationally co-authored papers on an average in journals with distinctly lower impact than their domestic papers. This observation may be at variance with the widespread notions concerning greater visibility of international co-publications. Similar contradictory observations could be made concerning the factually received citation rates of internationally co-authored papers. While the national totals of the citation impact of co-publications in all analysed fields often lay distinctly above the domestic 'standards', the situation changed if the citation impact is analysed by country pairs. Unlike in biomedical research, where the observed citation impact of most analysed country pairs was higher than the domestic impact of at least one of the involved partners, and often higher than the world standard, too, the patterns in chemistry and mathematics reflect a somewhat different situation. Besides the outstandingly high citation impact of co-publications of several country pairs, the attractiveness of joint papers of some pairs was unambiguously low in these fields. Here developing countries and Eastern Europe are the most concerned countries. International co-authorship seems, therefore, not always to pay for all partners. The investigation of the reasons for this effect is beyond the scope and possibilities of bibliometric methods.

International scientific collaboration thus proved again to be a complex and heterogeneous phenomenon which cannot be sufficiently characterised by bibliometric indicators alone. International co-authorship relations represent a large range of frameworks and motivations, extending from bilateral or even multinational programmes to co-operation between individual scientists. The complexity and heterogeneity was adequately reflected by the results obtained, which sometimes contradict the customary notions of the impact of international collaboration on national science performance. Bibliometric methods, however, afford a deep insight into national characteristics in international co-authorship relations.

## Appendix

Table A1. Scientific publication in 1995. International papers

| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE  | PHY   | MAT  | ENG   | ESS  | Total |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| AR      | 121   | 75    | 173   | 97   | 215   | 37   | 98    | 31   | 740   |
| AU      | 692   | 510   | 837   | 334  | 770   | 175  | 674   | 313  | 3799  |
| AT      | 325   | 411   | 212   | 232  | 541   | 55   | 348   | 73   | 1883  |
| BE      | 587   | 647   | 525   | 368  | 717   | 126  | 614   | 77   | 3162  |
| BR      | 208   | 268   | 332   | 195  | 642   | 101  | 318   | 96   | 1885  |
| BG      | 20    | 28    | 57    | 151  | 202   | 35   | 105   | 9    | 513   |
| CA      | 1609  | 1233  | 1337  | 732  | 1725  | 430  | 1671  | 582  | 8161  |
| CL      | 80    | 45    | 83    | 59   | 178   | 34   | 55    | 25   | 523   |
| DK      | 504   | 385   | 471   | 219  | 657   | 80   | 447   | 112  | 2484  |
| EG      | 77    | 66    | 106   | 132  | 76    | 10   | 83    | 21   | 485   |
| DE      | 1902  | 1956  | 1822  | 1924 | 5439  | 606  | 2697  | 595  | 14785 |
| FI      | 407   | 295   | 298   | 164  | 459   | 44   | 337   | 44   | 1759  |
| FR      | 1530  | 1629  | 1630  | 1619 | 4125  | 492  | 2426  | 609  | 12202 |
| GR      | 126   | 128   | 84    | 166  | 366   | 44   | 176   | 36   | 991   |
| HK      | 113   | 100   | 67    | 95   | 188   | 39   | 179   | 5    | 669   |
| HU      | 196   | 141   | 163   | 292  | 409   | 79   | 214   | 34   | 1289  |
| IN      | 96    | 125   | 242   | 245  | 635   | 84   | 297   | 87   | 1562  |
| IE      | 118   | 82    | 100   | 69   | 154   | 24   | 128   | 21   | 608   |
| IL      | 413   | 301   | 355   | 209  | 774   | 250  | 532   | 65   | 2532  |
| IT      | 1192  | 1230  | 797   | 878  | 2679  | 311  | 1216  | 214  | 7420  |
| JP      | 1177  | 1265  | 1114  | 873  | 2344  | 156  | 1790  | 279  | 7596  |
| MX      | 91    | 93    | 242   | 141  | 371   | 29   | 145   | 49   | 1022  |
| NL      | 953   | 941   | 933   | 470  | 1268  | 136  | 1005  | 190  | 5129  |
| NZ      | 159   | 102   | 234   | 112  | 113   | 25   | 140   | 95   | 866   |
| NO      | 287   | 255   | 259   | 144  | 256   | 29   | 233   | 145  | 1361  |
| CN      | 244   | 227   | 345   | 386  | 966   | 151  | 504   | 144  | 2567  |
| PL      | 170   | 216   | 234   | 572  | 1464  | 113  | 528   | 43   | 2808  |
| PT      | 51    | 60    | 132   | 128  | 200   | 21   | 149   | 16   | 649   |
| RO      | 12    | 17    | 25    | 108  | 217   | 41   | 67    | 9    | 419   |
| SA      | 50    | 34    | 45    | 31   | 36    | 7    | 51    | 7    | 215   |
| SG      | 43    | 46    | 39    | 47   | 81    | 26   | 139   | 6    | 361   |
| ZA      | 99    | 90    | 172   | 55   | 158   | 31   | 89    | 47   | 674   |
| KR      | 93    | 124   | 167   | 209  | 493   | 36   | 366   | 22   | 1261  |
| ES      | 448   | 444   | 680   | 764  | 1378  | 187  | 737   | 135  | 4120  |
| SE      | 1028  | 826   | 720   | 355  | 1117  | 83   | 840   | 143  | 4418  |
| CH      | 964   | 950   | 603   | 429  | 1526  | 117  | 805   | 149  | 4870  |
| TW      | 144   | 119   | 131   | 124  | 287   | 62   | 268   | 41   | 996   |
| TH      | 74    | 95    | 135   | 23   | 22    | 1    | 43    | 18   | 356   |
| TR      | 63    | 45    | 81    | 94   | 143   | 9    | 112   | 34   | 487   |
| VE      | 36    | 24    | 57    | 61   | 72    | 17   | 25    | 10   | 266   |
| YU      | 36    | 24    | 24    | 35   | 66    | 6    | 30    | 5    | 203   |
| US      | 6609  | 5839  | 5412  | 3183 | 9135  | 1562 | 7271  | 1846 | 35588 |
| UK      | 2465  | 2342  | 2511  | 1536 | 3724  | 380  | 2873  | 725  | 14364 |
| CZ      | 97    | 110   | 174   | 273  | 454   | 58   | 255   | 45   | 1261  |
| SK      | 51    | 48    | 83    | 145  | 236   | 14   | 118   | 12   | 597   |
| RU      | 146   | 225   | 428   | 863  | 3145  | 267  | 857   | 277  | 5542  |
| UA      | 31    | 26    | 41    | 220  | 598   | 54   | 168   | 24   | 1020  |
| CR      | 36    | 55    | 33    | 76   | 107   | 15   | 51    | 6    | 325   |
| SI      | 19    | 22    | 28    | 59   | 127   | 11   | 47    | 0    | 271   |
| BY      | 11    | 18    | 21    | 73   | 127   | 12   | 46    | 1    | 273   |
| World   | 12291 | 11397 | 12480 | 9788 | 22575 | 3247 | 15369 | 3628 | 78561 |

Table A2. Scientific publication in 1995. Domestic papers

| Country | MED    | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY   | MAT   | ENG   | ESS   | Total  |
|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| AR      | 344    | 218   | 400   | 315   | 334   | 69    | 263   | 50    | 1666   |
| AU      | 3264   | 1541  | 2761  | 1027  | 1296  | 221   | 1538  | 707   | 11021  |
| AT      | 871    | 601   | 385   | 371   | 397   | 70    | 389   | 64    | 2702   |
| BE      | 1056   | 827   | 700   | 516   | 612   | 112   | 766   | 69    | 3967   |
| BR      | 374    | 579   | 456   | 353   | 660   | 133   | 394   | 64    | 2594   |
| BG      | 48     | 80    | 104   | 242   | 226   | 35    | 130   | 18    | 745    |
| CA      | 4627   | 2870  | 4430  | 2252  | 2393  | 485   | 3681  | 1201  | 19068  |
| CL      | 257    | 77    | 132   | 123   | 74    | 22    | 84    | 5     | 689    |
| DK      | 1159   | 669   | 820   | 278   | 335   | 70    | 494   | 120   | 3362   |
| EG      | 89     | 100   | 160   | 473   | 292   | 31    | 198   | 20    | 1145   |
| DE      | 6832   | 4821  | 4435  | 6301  | 6784  | 831   | 4992  | 717   | 31118  |
| FI      | 1197   | 703   | 676   | 312   | 333   | 36    | 500   | 81    | 3295   |
| FR      | 5761   | 4400  | 3398  | 3762  | 4498  | 963   | 4824  | 701   | 24405  |
| GR      | 389    | 270   | 301   | 290   | 313   | 51    | 302   | 68    | 1659   |
| HK      | 338    | 225   | 129   | 140   | 205   | 32    | 207   | 11    | 1157   |
| HU      | 173    | 168   | 200   | 465   | 237   | 57    | 193   | 25    | 1293   |
| IN      | 877    | 894   | 1441  | 2655  | 2430  | 217   | 1576  | 276   | 9076   |
| IE      | 265    | 142   | 228   | 80    | 115   | 28    | 169   | 21    | 940    |
| IL      | 1398   | 670   | 785   | 369   | 881   | 215   | 796   | 94    | 4513   |
| IT      | 3934   | 3717  | 1902  | 2258  | 2662  | 448   | 2489  | 308   | 15074  |
| JP      | 8047   | 8140  | 6649  | 9067  | 10571 | 531   | 9572  | 682   | 45003  |
| MX      | 211    | 188   | 383   | 166   | 370   | 43    | 164   | 46    | 1348   |
| NL      | 2821   | 2185  | 1993  | 1096  | 1173  | 200   | 1526  | 271   | 9717   |
| NZ      | 625    | 249   | 704   | 153   | 127   | 30    | 200   | 155   | 2049   |
| NO      | 633    | 431   | 511   | 226   | 185   | 59    | 320   | 154   | 2185   |
| CN      | 356    | 251   | 307   | 1792  | 2971  | 354   | 1179  | 92    | 6629   |
| PL      | 253    | 275   | 322   | 1223  | 1162  | 146   | 581   | 54    | 3352   |
| PT      | 112    | 104   | 152   | 159   | 118   | 31    | 142   | 32    | 710    |
| RO      | 10     | 18    | 13    | 217   | 188   | 27    | 103   | 3     | 480    |
| SA      | 222    | 149   | 85    | 114   | 109   | 18    | 117   | 21    | 698    |
| SG      | 164    | 115   | 91    | 133   | 225   | 40    | 335   | 12    | 978    |
| ZA      | 584    | 215   | 595   | 216   | 210   | 27    | 218   | 81    | 2055   |
| KR      | 219    | 308   | 268   | 918   | 1149  | 105   | 955   | 22    | 3253   |
| ES      | 2408   | 1818  | 2141  | 2174  | 1365  | 307   | 1452  | 196   | 10069  |
| SE      | 2390   | 1510  | 1316  | 705   | 870   | 107   | 1167  | 177   | 7168   |
| CH      | 1539   | 863   | 837   | 850   | 997   | 101   | 878   | 145   | 5416   |
| TW      | 675    | 519   | 557   | 948   | 1054  | 112   | 1351  | 44    | 4393   |
| TH      | 59     | 41    | 62    | 15    | 14    | 0     | 22    | 2     | 187    |
| TR      | 579    | 403   | 169   | 325   | 244   | 28    | 241   | 37    | 1656   |
| VE      | 46     | 43    | 74    | 75    | 59    | 19    | 32    | 9     | 304    |
| YU      | 66     | 79    | 36    | 78    | 130   | 18    | 99    | 7     | 430    |
| US      | 46775  | 30422 | 28123 | 17292 | 24924 | 4346  | 32802 | 6795  | 167576 |
| UK      | 13669  | 6820  | 6314  | 4160  | 5057  | 738   | 6856  | 1270  | 40417  |
| CZ      | 103    | 95    | 278   | 469   | 287   | 34    | 213   | 39    | 1348   |
| SK      | 70     | 122   | 170   | 288   | 134   | 33    | 120   | 14    | 773    |
| RU      | 478    | 615   | 1195  | 5151  | 6534  | 482   | 2624  | 847   | 17446  |
| UA      | 38     | 68    | 101   | 654   | 1384  | 47    | 330   | 33    | 2449   |
| CR      | 71     | 62    | 62    | 123   | 85    | 9     | 49    | 13    | 401    |
| SI      | 47     | 47    | 48    | 97    | 87    | 20    | 85    | 3     | 349    |
| BY      | 9      | 11    | 20    | 181   | 281   | 23    | 128   | 13    | 614    |
| World   | 123906 | 81105 | 80385 | 74418 | 89451 | 12628 | 91892 | 16481 | 500508 |

Table B1. Scientific publication in 1996. International papers

| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY   | MAT  | ENG   | ESS  | Total |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| AR      | 105   | 95    | 201   | 158   | 292   | 26   | 114   | 50   | 912   |
| AU      | 771   | 476   | 839   | 419   | 863   | 212  | 728   | 395  | 4170  |
| AT      | 402   | 454   | 264   | 223   | 653   | 58   | 360   | 80   | 2151  |
| BE      | 662   | 624   | 563   | 392   | 869   | 113  | 668   | 130  | 3447  |
| BR      | 238   | 246   | 396   | 205   | 710   | 108  | 323   | 113  | 2046  |
| BG      | 21    | 30    | 58    | 123   | 211   | 31   | 107   | 10   | 499   |
| CA      | 1710  | 1326  | 1422  | 762   | 1778  | 453  | 1661  | 642  | 8487  |
| CL      | 87    | 46    | 101   | 83    | 221   | 32   | 67    | 29   | 610   |
| DK      | 545   | 422   | 475   | 240   | 713   | 83   | 401   | 124  | 2626  |
| EG      | 85    | 77    | 135   | 127   | 91    | 10   | 101   | 18   | 528   |
| DE      | 2174  | 2119  | 2048  | 2099  | 6166  | 592  | 2869  | 628  | 16453 |
| FI      | 453   | 316   | 320   | 152   | 507   | 39   | 319   | 82   | 1927  |
| FR      | 1577  | 1737  | 1728  | 1771  | 4340  | 557  | 2544  | 800  | 13114 |
| GR      | 135   | 153   | 106   | 165   | 402   | 39   | 194   | 62   | 1093  |
| HK      | 151   | 115   | 96    | 145   | 278   | 71   | 210   | 18   | 901   |
| HU      | 178   | 157   | 166   | 303   | 448   | 64   | 230   | 25   | 1333  |
| IN      | 118   | 127   | 259   | 276   | 692   | 100  | 305   | 73   | 1700  |
| IE      | 132   | 94    | 123   | 84    | 153   | 33   | 116   | 28   | 665   |
| IL      | 433   | 278   | 364   | 247   | 883   | 277  | 561   | 63   | 2685  |
| IT      | 1284  | 1340  | 849   | 947   | 2883  | 334  | 1364  | 249  | 8055  |
| JP      | 1259  | 1311  | 1116  | 1044  | 2400  | 152  | 1693  | 330  | 7977  |
| MX      | 113   | 88    | 239   | 151   | 402   | 50   | 164   | 47   | 1093  |
| NL      | 967   | 971   | 924   | 519   | 1472  | 123  | 967   | 222  | 5417  |
| NZ      | 183   | 102   | 291   | 108   | 105   | 43   | 168   | 137  | 999   |
| NO      | 338   | 259   | 297   | 134   | 248   | 35   | 247   | 174  | 1493  |
| CN      | 232   | 243   | 362   | 496   | 1083  | 168  | 564   | 183  | 2863  |
| PL      | 184   | 214   | 242   | 611   | 1430  | 108  | 450   | 66   | 2853  |
| PT      | 79    | 52    | 152   | 152   | 261   | 28   | 153   | 25   | 788   |
| RO      | 22    | 25    | 20    | 125   | 259   | 49   | 89    | 10   | 505   |
| SA      | 50    | 33    | 31    | 36    | 32    | 10   | 49    | 12   | 211   |
| SG      | 51    | 29    | 39    | 59    | 96    | 31   | 167   | 5    | 409   |
| ZA      | 94    | 98    | 195   | 79    | 205   | 33   | 94    | 66   | 795   |
| KR      | 122   | 128   | 167   | 211   | 565   | 74   | 399   | 42   | 1423  |
| ES      | 563   | 536   | 772   | 857   | 1556  | 189  | 772   | 175  | 4735  |
| SE      | 1163  | 891   | 777   | 440   | 1091  | 75   | 872   | 207  | 4816  |
| CH      | 933   | 912   | 663   | 479   | 1568  | 115  | 841   | 187  | 5047  |
| TW      | 170   | 121   | 121   | 116   | 301   | 60   | 268   | 61   | 1032  |
| TH      | 92    | 92    | 123   | 31    | 22    | 0    | 40    | 22   | 370   |
| TR      | 85    | 50    | 87    | 105   | 140   | 19   | 119   | 36   | 540   |
| VE      | 27    | 33    | 63    | 45    | 57    | 12   | 40    | 17   | 245   |
| YU      | 35    | 30    | 16    | 37    | 69    | 13   | 29    | 3    | 205   |
| US      | 7054  | 6034  | 5530  | 3404  | 9606  | 1730 | 7485  | 2049 | 37464 |
| UK      | 2985  | 2382  | 2703  | 1704  | 4090  | 489  | 2958  | 817  | 15800 |
| CZ      | 118   | 137   | 246   | 366   | 487   | 59   | 257   | 54   | 1482  |
| SK      | 41    | 53    | 103   | 150   | 255   | 17   | 126   | 22   | 651   |
| RU      | 160   | 208   | 468   | 888   | 3333  | 287  | 863   | 329  | 5856  |
| UA      | 30    | 38    | 40    | 241   | 628   | 60   | 155   | 22   | 1074  |
| CR      | 31    | 38    | 25    | 70    | 108   | 11   | 35    | 4    | 277   |
| SI      | 17    | 23    | 31    | 63    | 137   | 26   | 55    | 2    | 293   |
| BY      | 8     | 33    | 22    | 46    | 138   | 16   | 66    | 3    | 283   |
| World   | 13446 | 11831 | 13129 | 10710 | 24269 | 3507 | 15860 | 4267 | 84245 |

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| Country | MED     | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY   | MAT   | ENG   | ESS   | Total  |
|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| AR      | 356     | 292   | 446   | 313   | 401   | 63    | 303   | 59    | 1849   |
| AU      | 3372    | 1445  | 2827  | 1098  | 1314  | 246   | 1525  | 644   | 11149  |
| AT      | 911     | 654   | 392   | 344   | 415   | 62    | 427   | 51    | 2743   |
| BE      | 1084    | 844   | 683   | 581   | 699   | 106   | 746   | 98    | 4119   |
| BR      | 458     | 627   | 546   | 409   | 706   | 132   | 471   | 64    | 2892   |
| BG      | 47      | 74    | 105   | 218   | 233   | 35    | 158   | 10    | 746    |
| CA      | 4810    | 2754  | 4426  | 2217  | 2056  | 495   | 3565  | 1201  | 18653  |
| CL      | 244     | 77    | 132   | 119   | 75    | 20    | 68    | 10    | 674    |
| DK      | 1184    | 656   | 790   | 253   | 383   | 54    | 465   | 109   | 3337   |
| EG      | 90      | 105   | 142   | 483   | 300   | 30    | 177   | 21    | 1108   |
| DE      | 7291    | 4686  | 4241  | 5860  | 7054  | 790   | 4989  | 736   | 31327  |
| FI      | 1224    | 718   | 670   | 318   | 344   | 49    | 481   | 91    | 3380   |
| FR      | 5740    | 4331  | 3270  | 3764  | 4372  | 1031  | 4642  | 775   | 24204  |
| GR      | 396     | 308   | 289   | 352   | 304   | 74    | 353   | 98    | 1813   |
| HK      | 433     | 311   | 151   | 204   | 266   | 49    | 299   | 10    | 1464   |
| HU      | 208     | 170   | 198   | 438   | 267   | 64    | 170   | 24    | 1298   |
| IN      | 874     | 830   | 1347  | 2721  | 2458  | 219   | 1696  | 261   | 9111   |
| IE      | 272     | 139   | 230   | 103   | 98    | 23    | 162   | 20    | 949    |
| IL      | 1439    | 662   | 649   | 398   | 834   | 219   | 748   | 92    | 4337   |
| IT      | 4536    | 4034  | 1826  | 2336  | 2804  | 464   | 2599  | 330   | 16208  |
| JP      | 8976    | 8500  | 6525  | 9519  | 11138 | 633   | 9897  | 641   | 47443  |
| MX      | 246     | 221   | 379   | 195   | 437   | 45    | 180   | 45    | 1497   |
| NL      | 2813    | 2146  | 1814  | 1210  | 1249  | 179   | 1414  | 246   | 9510   |
| NZ      | 557     | 262   | 742   | 165   | 149   | 28    | 190   | 161   | 2053   |
| NO      | 582     | 418   | 527   | 236   | 183   | 53    | 299   | 132   | 2092   |
| CN      | 377     | 310   | 385   | 2020  | 3016  | 410   | 1363  | 143   | 6802   |
| PL      | 311     | 343   | 371   | 1116  | 1128  | 135   | 493   | 56    | 3361   |
| PT      | 107     | 94    | 158   | 164   | 137   | 35    | 164   | 22    | 723    |
| RO      | 9       | 17    | 20    | 296   | 259   | 44    | 123   | 6     | 665    |
| SA      | 251     | 144   | 93    | 102   | 96    | 17    | 94    | 10    | 673    |
| SG      | 127     | 125   | 87    | 151   | 190   | 57    | 354   | 19    | 928    |
| ZA      | 621     | 192   | 556   | 219   | 162   | 27    | 200   | 80    | 1924   |
| KR      | 337     | 444   | 349   | 1113  | 1370  | 127   | 1125  | 35    | 4070   |
| ES      | 2423    | 1852  | 2274  | 2278  | 1543  | 345   | 1526  | 247   | 10614  |
| SE      | 2499    | 1479  | 1345  | 794   | 835   | 107   | 1132  | 207   | 7296   |
| CH      | 1656    | 843   | 837   | 817   | 1064  | 103   | 857   | 154   | 5539   |
| TW      | 967     | 612   | 643   | 1064  | 1225  | 154   | 1575  | 65    | 5173   |
| TH      | 72      | 48    | 62    | 27    | 24    | 0     | 33    | 1     | 218    |
| TR      | 796     | 462   | 185   | 393   | 311   | 33    | 285   | 46    | 2115   |
| VE      | 45      | 48    | 76    | 82    | 54    | 13    | 40    | 10    | 322    |
| YU      | 76      | 71    | 38    | 97    | 136   | 26    | 124   | 3     | 488    |
| US      | 45887   | 29304 | 27853 | 17554 | 23700 | 4237  | 31649 | 6393  | 162428 |
| UK      | 13799   | 6677  | 6351  | 4218  | 5337  | 778   | 6710  | 1285  | 40317  |
| CZ      | 121     | 97    | 312   | 581   | 268   | 41    | 220   | 54    | 1496   |
| SK      | 69      | 112   | 177   | 310   | 137   | 23    | 97    | 21    | 794    |
| RU      | 280     | 564   | 1214  | 4238  | 6488  | 459   | 2304  | 691   | 15820  |
| UA      | 19      | 61    | 70    | 554   | 1246  | 52    | 287   | 43    | 2148   |
| CR      | 63      | 76    | 50    | 119   | 85    | 9     | 47    | 15    | 398    |
| SI      | 42      | 47    | 52    | 94    | 94    | 22    | 84    | 5     | 351    |
| BY      | 1       | 14    | 22    | 124   | 254   | 11    | 87    | 11    | 483    |
| World   | 1125661 | 80680 | 79854 | 74931 | 89979 | 12769 | 90754 | 16130 | 498868 |

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| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY    | MAT  | ENG   | ESS   | Total  |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|--------|
| AR      | 539   | 446   | 558   | 237   | 839    | 94   | 374   | 79    | 2737   |
| AU      | 4644  | 3217  | 3791  | 1207  | 4154   | 254  | 4200  | 1184  | 21104  |
| AT      | 1785  | 2983  | 1197  | 727   | 2658   | 102  | 2371  | 235   | 10606  |
| BE      | 4182  | 4838  | 2751  | 1353  | 3533   | 346  | 4391  | 229   | 19940  |
| BR      | 899   | 1240  | 942   | 473   | 3000   | 232  | 1133  | 333   | 7665   |
| BG      | 28    | 86    | 156   | 362   | 638    | 63   | 233   | 24    | 1336   |
| CA      | 10573 | 10856 | 5888  | 2697  | 10767  | 582  | 11861 | 2460  | 51989  |
| CL      | 492   | 150   | 233   | 100   | 1078   | 82   | 340   | 52    | 2454   |
| DK      | 3436  | 3567  | 2454  | 1050  | 4022   | 176  | 3689  | 464   | 16876  |
| EG      | 148   | 135   | 222   | 177   | 180    | 12   | 226   | 28    | 991    |
| DE      | 12942 | 16390 | 9705  | 7644  | 29706  | 1578 | 19615 | 2653  | 91578  |
| FI      | 3273  | 2543  | 1418  | 540   | 2171   | 82   | 2969  | 196   | 11522  |
| FR      | 10395 | 13974 | 8684  | 5875  | 21189  | 1115 | 16763 | 2564  | 73902  |
| GR      | 657   | 720   | 279   | 623   | 1817   | 67   | 573   | 78    | 4277   |
| HK      | 366   | 513   | 322   | 374   | 743    | 54   | 515   | 15    | 2387   |
| HU      | 857   | 590   | 710   | 808   | 1942   | 124  | 813   | 117   | 5287   |
| IN      | 407   | 452   | 522   | 616   | 2720   | 133  | 646   | 147   | 5057   |
| IE      | 578   | 379   | 466   | 234   | 678    | 43   | 690   | 50    | 2764   |
| IL      | 2572  | 2707  | 1780  | 891   | 5951   | 538  | 4573  | 157   | 17176  |
| IT      | 8299  | 9947  | 3701  | 3928  | 14745  | 871  | 7426  | 616   | 45701  |
| JP      | 6672  | 9616  | 5777  | 3189  | 12443  | 366  | 11015 | 972   | 45076  |
| MX      | 372   | 463   | 671   | 338   | 1776   | 71   | 447   | 137   | 3875   |
| NL      | 7419  | 8182  | 5455  | 2183  | 7571   | 304  | 8299  | 830   | 36299  |
| NZ      | 1036  | 709   | 770   | 550   | 617    | 47   | 846   | 335   | 4159   |
| NO      | 1587  | 1752  | 1175  | 446   | 1349   | 110  | 1725  | 566   | 7644   |
| CN      | 869   | 814   | 782   | 867   | 3135   | 164  | 1058  | 366   | 7283   |
| PL      | 874   | 931   | 754   | 1600  | 6373   | 232  | 1570  | 94    | 11197  |
| PT      | 279   | 343   | 358   | 425   | 909    | 60   | 577   | 25    | 2671   |
| RO      | 74    | 46    | 54    | 198   | 675    | 60   | 97    | 19    | 1089   |
| SA      | 79    | 39    | 195   | 18    | 31     | 10   | 59    | 7     | 476    |
| SG      | 213   | 184   | 260   | 172   | 144    | 18   | 666   | 10    | 1464   |
| ZA      | 391   | 484   | 712   | 154   | 632    | 24   | 455   | 185   | 2961   |
| KR      | 415   | 539   | 562   | 482   | 2735   | 54   | 683   | 38    | 4950   |
| ES      | 2939  | 3033  | 2610  | 2892  | 6751   | 382  | 3291  | 344   | 19710  |
| SE      | 5880  | 5418  | 4196  | 1640  | 6456   | 142  | 5643  | 548   | 26865  |
| CH      | 6306  | 9583  | 3705  | 2038  | 11518  | 356  | 7154  | 606   | 38451  |
| TW      | 443   | 421   | 401   | 232   | 1617   | 48   | 620   | 108   | 3580   |
| TH      | 310   | 619   | 481   | 33    | 11     | 0    | 95    | 27    | 1434   |
| TR      | 138   | 118   | 212   | 196   | 400    | 9    | 314   | 72    | 1691   |
| VE      | 133   | 79    | 100   | 237   | 248    | 25   | 90    | 29    | 858    |
| YU      | 225   | 80    | 36    | 57    | 212    | 4    | 23    | 4     | 650    |
| US      | 44648 | 52968 | 31142 | 14248 | 58989  | 3414 | 56110 | 7945  | 248204 |
| UK      | 17562 | 20148 | 12441 | 5568  | 20366  | 761  | 23002 | 3232  | 96781  |
| CZ      | 390   | 625   | 676   | 930   | 1758   | 76   | 1049  | 144   | 4842   |
| SK      | 230   | 229   | 213   | 334   | 1125   | 7    | 273   | 28    | 2187   |
| RU      | 753   | 1012  | 1488  | 2120  | 14269  | 664  | 2719  | 876   | 22109  |
| UA      | 156   | 129   | 84    | 351   | 1401   | 92   | 282   | 73    | 2455   |
| CR      | 254   | 223   | 132   | 188   | 389    | 10   | 143   | 4     | 1220   |
| SI      | 77    | 84    | 116   | 210   | 598    | 29   | 215   | 0     | 1215   |
| BY      | 55    | 84    | 47    | 87    | 298    | 11   | 131   | 0     | 640    |
| World   | 72979 | 84650 | 56490 | 34470 | 108954 | 6588 | 93627 | 13270 | 428363 |

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| Country | MED    | BRE    | BIO    | CHE    | PHY    | MAT   | ENG    | ESS   | Total   |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------|
| AR      | 619    | 350    | 523    | 537    | 697    | 98    | 440    | 82    | 2853    |
| AU      | 8774   | 6169   | 7689   | 3241   | 4098   | 284   | 5658   | 1842  | 33364   |
| AT      | 1838   | 2426   | 1132   | 1059   | 1231   | 77    | 1670   | 127   | 8342    |
| BE      | 3011   | 3245   | 2505   | 1606   | 1912   | 171   | 2742   | 152   | 12998   |
| BR      | 572    | 639    | 626    | 572    | 1310   | 241   | 672    | 72    | 4024    |
| BG      | 37     | 81     | 69     | 343    | 275    | 23    | 85     | 18    | 787     |
| CA      | 15607  | 11855  | 12296  | 8495   | 6997   | 501   | 12838  | 3025  | 63604   |
| CL      | 171    | 60     | 279    | 170    | 212    | 17    | 238    | 6     | 972     |
| DK      | 3616   | 2131   | 2518   | 951    | 1283   | 88    | 1838   | 318   | 10995   |
| EG      | 108    | 73     | 80     | 378    | 153    | 11    | 105    | 13    | 769     |
| DE      | 20093  | 20294  | 16084  | 20726  | 25800  | 1342  | 23721  | 2332  | 115395  |
| FI      | 3983   | 2840   | 1799   | 866    | 943    | 51    | 1675   | 114   | 10653   |
| FR      | 15482  | 16712  | 11294  | 10791  | 13577  | 1003  | 17408  | 2062  | 76428   |
| GR      | 537    | 516    | 414    | 617    | 624    | 40    | 445    | 68    | 2771    |
| HK      | 742    | 463    | 371    | 460    | 427    | 19    | 333    | 16    | 2489    |
| HU      | 256    | 265    | 281    | 722    | 446    | 36    | 291    | 48    | 2052    |
| IN      | 717    | 805    | 1347   | 4203   | 3228   | 201   | 1729   | 195   | 10991   |
| IE      | 613    | 471    | 468    | 230    | 287    | 36    | 390    | 28    | 2105    |
| IL      | 2827   | 1994   | 2079   | 1396   | 2891   | 283   | 3170   | 135   | 12797   |
| IT      | 10908  | 11660  | 4602   | 6887   | 6848   | 525   | 6662   | 555   | 42207   |
| JP      | 21684  | 26500  | 18816  | 27724  | 28235  | 799   | 31280  | 1378  | 134428  |
| MX      | 397    | 318    | 547    | 272    | 525    | 59    | 263    | 79    | 2106    |
| NL      | 9591   | 10362  | 7623   | 4357   | 4562   | 347   | 7097   | 820   | 38401   |
| NZ      | 1472   | 966    | 1413   | 393    | 380    | 15    | 599    | 291   | 4890    |
| NO      | 1809   | 1367   | 1347   | 558    | 400    | 63    | 808    | 302   | 5796    |
| CN      | 208    | 242    | 389    | 2573   | 3733   | 200   | 1125   | 66    | 7657    |
| PL      | 373    | 360    | 427    | 1726   | 1580   | 120   | 690    | 49    | 4504    |
| PT      | 158    | 217    | 312    | 347    | 207    | 30    | 228    | 37    | 1275    |
| RO      | 19     | 28     | 18     | 125    | 183    | 13    | 70     | 2     | 374     |
| SA      | 263    | 193    | 73     | 97     | 85     | 6     | 96     | 16    | 700     |
| SG      | 219    | 215    | 155    | 322    | 257    | 25    | 354    | 12    | 1497    |
| ZA      | 692    | 458    | 910    | 436    | 343    | 27    | 298    | 129   | 3069    |
| KR      | 373    | 575    | 544    | 1725   | 1920   | 116   | 1132   | 24    | 5445    |
| ES      | 4632   | 3921   | 4768   | 6866   | 3539   | 382   | 3935   | 267   | 24360   |
| SE      | 8591   | 6667   | 4391   | 2672   | 3023   | 124   | 5224   | 385   | 26828   |
| CH      | 4781   | 5162   | 3930   | 4112   | 4522   | 177   | 5861   | 426   | 25852   |
| TW      | 1387   | 1136   | 1065   | 1929   | 1728   | 71    | 1803   | 57    | 7746    |
| TH      | 76     | 57     | 77     | 16     | 18     | 0     | 16     | 0     | 224     |
| TR      | 377    | 394    | 145    | 360    | 269    | 11    | 213    | 38    | 1490    |
| VE      | 50     | 50     | 86     | 128    | 76     | 11    | 32     | 4     | 383     |
| YU      | 55     | 84     | 23     | 65     | 141    | 15    | 81     | 7     | 420     |
| US      | 213847 | 210489 | 132097 | 77269  | 133037 | 6694  | 207130 | 23570 | 896143  |
| UK      | 41194  | 33767  | 22706  | 14860  | 18022  | 1005  | 32547  | 3774  | 147910  |
| CZ      | 119    | 196    | 309    | 836    | 412    | 30    | 312    | 32    | 1971    |
| SK      | 87     | 172    | 146    | 349    | 159    | 27    | 141    | 15    | 892     |
| RU      | 249    | 188    | 951    | 3831   | 6267   | 381   | 1919   | 363   | 13126   |
| UA      | 23     | 32     | 44     | 353    | 817    | 16    | 165    | 6     | 1334    |
| CR      | 65     | 70     | 59     | 222    | 120    | 10    | 77     | 7     | 518     |
| SI      | 31     | 47     | 77     | 240    | 200    | 34    | 176    | 4     | 644     |
| BY      | 5      | 9      | 6      | 94     | 160    | 29    | 26     | 1     | 311     |
| World   | 406409 | 388673 | 271760 | 220359 | 289638 | 16045 | 387137 | 43753 | 1786650 |



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| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY    | MAT  | ENG   | ESS   | Total  |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|--------|
| AR      | 451   | 311   | 651   | 417   | 1161   | 34   | 435   | 112   | 3223   |
| AU      | 4568  | 3739  | 3822  | 1638  | 4397   | 374  | 4741  | 1562  | 23306  |
| AT      | 2434  | 3182  | 1385  | 695   | 3191   | 168  | 1783  | 235   | 11526  |
| BE      | 3830  | 5552  | 2836  | 1467  | 3973   | 226  | 4864  | 608   | 20483  |
| BR      | 908   | 1099  | 1118  | 518   | 2525   | 171  | 1234  | 365   | 7235   |
| BG      | 30    | 67    | 162   | 310   | 721    | 42   | 245   | 10    | 1332   |
| CA      | 12042 | 11888 | 7414  | 3084  | 11122  | 624  | 13899 | 2171  | 57602  |
| CL      | 235   | 120   | 302   | 210   | 1173   | 30   | 178   | 62    | 2184   |
| DK      | 3188  | 2682  | 2182  | 1114  | 4405   | 247  | 2544  | 468   | 15488  |
| EG      | 193   | 171   | 253   | 214   | 185    | 9    | 216   | 21    | 1049   |
| DE      | 14161 | 17463 | 11483 | 8401  | 32665  | 1463 | 20936 | 2855  | 100682 |
| FI      | 2563  | 2310  | 1836  | 517   | 3980   | 98   | 2133  | 266   | 12565  |
| FR      | 11863 | 13691 | 9053  | 6544  | 21387  | 1122 | 16743 | 3193  | 77819  |
| GR      | 699   | 889   | 340   | 488   | 1789   | 65   | 754   | 202   | 5251   |
| HK      | 473   | 389   | 257   | 595   | 805    | 76   | 471   | 40    | 2706   |
| HU      | 997   | 716   | 544   | 822   | 2112   | 95   | 969   | 55    | 5581   |
| IN      | 411   | 474   | 627   | 884   | 3298   | 178  | 611   | 142   | 6274   |
| IE      | 739   | 440   | 381   | 300   | 582    | 67   | 426   | 106   | 2734   |
| IL      | 2325  | 1868  | 1932  | 1173  | 5798   | 484  | 3692  | 135   | 15782  |
| IT      | 9074  | 10000 | 3737  | 3897  | 14931  | 781  | 8381  | 674   | 47406  |
| JP      | 7641  | 9516  | 5085  | 3616  | 12823  | 314  | 10997 | 1185  | 48002  |
| MX      | 379   | 346   | 716   | 399   | 1506   | 99   | 566   | 98    | 3829   |
| NL      | 6976  | 7889  | 4579  | 2336  | 8397   | 308  | 7266  | 920   | 34503  |
| NZ      | 1402  | 524   | 978   | 482   | 586    | 43   | 649   | 483   | 4757   |
| NO      | 1497  | 1293  | 1227  | 359   | 1246   | 86   | 1296  | 659   | 6781   |
| CN      | 875   | 763   | 923   | 1237  | 3188   | 134  | 1121  | 450   | 7804   |
| PL      | 734   | 774   | 610   | 1455  | 5319   | 261  | 1345  | 131   | 9679   |
| PT      | 278   | 339   | 521   | 517   | 892    | 94   | 444   | 68    | 2796   |
| RO      | 124   | 104   | 28    | 310   | 745    | 58   | 172   | 17    | 1358   |
| SA      | 125   | 56    | 70    | 56    | 23     | 2    | 284   | 18    | 600    |
| SG      | 182   | 149   | 171   | 229   | 183    | 21   | 677   | 8     | 1496   |
| ZA      | 308   | 337   | 544   | 205   | 743    | 39   | 600   | 268   | 2889   |
| KR      | 545   | 567   | 674   | 564   | 2471   | 57   | 803   | 63    | 4993   |
| ES      | 3524  | 3405  | 2876  | 3367  | 8873   | 374  | 3642  | 396   | 24621  |
| SE      | 7575  | 6411  | 4334  | 1866  | 6108   | 140  | 6777  | 832   | 30318  |
| CH      | 6449  | 9655  | 4424  | 2535  | 11666  | 266  | 8554  | 754   | 40623  |
| TW      | 514   | 464   | 390   | 336   | 1052   | 39   | 643   | 174   | 3414   |
| TH      | 426   | 389   | 414   | 52    | 27     | 0    | 72    | 25    | 1429   |
| TR      | 238   | 182   | 250   | 198   | 272    | 18   | 428   | 59    | 1459   |
| VE      | 115   | 114   | 173   | 126   | 293    | 27   | 103   | 31    | 865    |
| YU      | 102   | 70    | 13    | 71    | 276    | 18   | 28    | 1     | 550    |
| US      | 48198 | 53582 | 32021 | 15209 | 62864  | 3322 | 60896 | 8592  | 260652 |
| UK      | 21360 | 18335 | 13345 | 7029  | 23142  | 1029 | 21941 | 3010  | 102036 |
| CZ      | 436   | 530   | 969   | 1242  | 1908   | 82   | 913   | 107   | 5354   |
| SK      | 184   | 82    | 354   | 322   | 1298   | 18   | 405   | 44    | 2386   |
| RU      | 521   | 758   | 1776  | 2200  | 14443  | 702  | 3090  | 1071  | 22444  |
| UA      | 223   | 70    | 84    | 466   | 1237   | 108  | 247   | 34    | 2257   |
| CR      | 72    | 76    | 82    | 156   | 360    | 9    | 97    | 5     | 745    |
| SI      | 37    | 80    | 110   | 161   | 579    | 67   | 179   | 1     | 998    |
| BY      | 24    | 162   | 54    | 81    | 316    | 26   | 189   | 3     | 714    |
| World   | 78827 | 85824 | 59552 | 38617 | 115571 | 6568 | 98238 | 14879 | 451737 |

Table D2. Citation received in 1996-1998 by papers published in 1996. Domestic papers

| Country | MED    | BRE    | BIO    | CHE    | PHY    | MAT   | ENG    | ESS   | Total   |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---------|
| AR      | 490    | 455    | 638    | 500    | 837    | 93    | 488    | 52    | 2942    |
| AU      | 8815   | 5874   | 7746   | 3512   | 4009   | 391   | 4674   | 1506  | 32577   |
| AT      | 2103   | 2144   | 1148   | 979    | 1320   | 55    | 1679   | 79    | 7922    |
| BE      | 2832   | 2969   | 2253   | 1833   | 2089   | 151   | 3194   | 215   | 13150   |
| BR      | 793    | 790    | 649    | 680    | 1310   | 156   | 838    | 75    | 4478    |
| BG      | 41     | 56     | 96     | 308    | 257    | 16    | 126    | 4     | 750     |
| CA      | 17035  | 11850  | 12210  | 8885   | 6257   | 477   | 11914  | 2737  | 62128   |
| CL      | 214    | 102    | 224    | 152    | 236    | 25    | 119    | 8     | 967     |
| DK      | 3496   | 2526   | 2452   | 947    | 1463   | 114   | 1875   | 254   | 11386   |
| EG      | 99     | 74     | 54     | 306    | 153    | 7     | 117    | 9     | 700     |
| DE      | 23020  | 19295  | 15577  | 21084  | 25546  | 1363  | 22116  | 2377  | 116300  |
| FI      | 3998   | 2611   | 1858   | 827    | 1047   | 35    | 1694   | 187   | 10806   |
| FR      | 14857  | 15767  | 11386  | 10773  | 13296  | 1303  | 17950  | 2084  | 75847   |
| GR      | 523    | 464    | 404    | 771    | 522    | 43    | 421    | 103   | 2775    |
| HK      | 853    | 644    | 355    | 764    | 562    | 69    | 381    | 15    | 3120    |
| HU      | 378    | 224    | 352    | 713    | 545    | 39    | 339    | 30    | 2261    |
| IN      | 760    | 890    | 1339   | 4174   | 3633   | 201   | 1872   | 217   | 11440   |
| IE      | 642    | 599    | 444    | 257    | 211    | 35    | 245    | 25    | 2229    |
| IL      | 2812   | 2584   | 1824   | 1168   | 2618   | 253   | 3433   | 143   | 12367   |
| IT      | 11912  | 12369  | 4642   | 6936   | 7469   | 695   | 7338   | 567   | 45221   |
| JP      | 22706  | 26707  | 17924  | 27500  | 29269  | 766   | 29670  | 1137  | 135442  |
| MX      | 406    | 378    | 545    | 260    | 669    | 98    | 294    | 48    | 2293    |
| NL      | 9719   | 9590   | 6694   | 4687   | 4243   | 314   | 6592   | 708   | 36676   |
| NZ      | 1140   | 961    | 1577   | 507    | 322    | 13    | 528    | 404   | 4899    |
| NO      | 1365   | 1258   | 1247   | 534    | 341    | 42    | 609    | 391   | 5101    |
| CN      | 223    | 328    | 479    | 3296   | 3687   | 295   | 1344   | 96    | 8466    |
| PL      | 350    | 423    | 416    | 1769   | 1605   | 122   | 598    | 37    | 4685    |
| PT      | 231    | 196    | 314    | 315    | 245    | 25    | 219    | 29    | 1296    |
| RO      | 0      | 9      | 20     | 240    | 231    | 30    | 113    | 1     | 536     |
| SA      | 232    | 142    | 73     | 90     | 88     | 19    | 98     | 7     | 656     |
| SG      | 174    | 245    | 225    | 416    | 273    | 53    | 561    | 19    | 1751    |
| ZA      | 651    | 332    | 853    | 523    | 291    | 33    | 242    | 164   | 2845    |
| KR      | 457    | 694    | 777    | 2330   | 2253   | 117   | 1476   | 34    | 6964    |
| ES      | 4760   | 4178   | 4993   | 6992   | 4463   | 534   | 4404   | 358   | 26238   |
| SE      | 8092   | 5479   | 4442   | 3119   | 2918   | 113   | 4312   | 526   | 25200   |
| CH      | 5354   | 5378   | 3920   | 4002   | 4787   | 159   | 5817   | 442   | 26989   |
| TW      | 1707   | 1422   | 1533   | 2219   | 1711   | 100   | 1966   | 76    | 9025    |
| TH      | 112    | 83     | 84     | 26     | 15     | 0     | 30     | 0     | 315     |
| TR      | 610    | 488    | 184    | 575    | 339    | 35    | 221    | 53    | 2147    |
| VE      | 44     | 67     | 83     | 138    | 70     | 5     | 17     | 7     | 390     |
| YU      | 59     | 74     | 38     | 84     | 92     | 17    | 99     | 6     | 406     |
| US      | 209160 | 191803 | 130846 | 81885  | 127854 | 6816  | 200970 | 23522 | 865439  |
| UK      | 38593  | 30507  | 22871  | 14936  | 17945  | 1333  | 28611  | 3417  | 140459  |
| CZ      | 192    | 174    | 332    | 758    | 350    | 47    | 258    | 52    | 1922    |
| SK      | 61     | 92     | 186    | 267    | 159    | 14    | 132    | 17    | 779     |
| RU      | 230    | 241    | 1093   | 3075   | 5582   | 294   | 1621   | 292   | 11505   |
| UA      | 21     | 64     | 43     | 369    | 672    | 21    | 106    | 15    | 1217    |
| CR      | 65     | 65     | 37     | 204    | 113    | 1     | 75     | 24    | 491     |
| SI      | 56     | 81     | 73     | 159    | 207    | 27    | 103    | 4     | 597     |
| BY      | 0      | 9      | 6      | 71     | 158    | 12    | 28     | 1     | 269     |
| World   | 405730 | 365249 | 269393 | 228193 | 285750 | 17124 | 373243 | 42902 | 1754162 |

Table E1. Mean Expected Citation Rate (MECR) of papers published in 1995. International papers

| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY   | MAT   | ENG   | ESS   | Total |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| AR      | 4.279 | 4.491 | 3.340 | 3.231 | 4.351 | 2.441 | 4.550 | 2.561 | 3.877 |
| AU      | 4.339 | 5.916 | 3.886 | 3.758 | 4.717 | 1.402 | 5.404 | 3.171 | 4.561 |
| AT      | 4.094 | 5.483 | 4.699 | 2.800 | 4.124 | 1.229 | 5.661 | 2.726 | 4.480 |
| BE      | 4.269 | 5.429 | 4.182 | 3.149 | 4.041 | 1.733 | 5.829 | 3.219 | 4.619 |
| BR      | 3.879 | 4.409 | 3.050 | 2.803 | 4.287 | 1.982 | 3.783 | 3.060 | 4.035 |
| BG      | 2.065 | 3.254 | 3.861 | 2.562 | 3.828 | 1.766 | 2.948 | 2.278 | 3.082 |
| CA      | 4.726 | 6.612 | 3.914 | 3.746 | 4.847 | 1.352 | 5.791 | 3.280 | 4.955 |
| CL      | 3.870 | 3.313 | 3.386 | 2.702 | 5.758 | 1.418 | 6.162 | 2.728 | 4.441 |
| DK      | 4.008 | 6.044 | 3.779 | 3.707 | 4.801 | 1.859 | 5.935 | 3.311 | 4.830 |
| EG      | 2.255 | 3.277 | 2.272 | 2.327 | 2.258 | 0.720 | 3.188 | 1.890 | 2.542 |
| DE      | 5.020 | 6.870 | 4.546 | 3.632 | 4.360 | 1.870 | 6.255 | 3.425 | 5.041 |
| FI      | 4.806 | 6.349 | 3.915 | 2.960 | 4.277 | 1.427 | 7.152 | 3.518 | 4.952 |
| FR      | 4.719 | 6.662 | 4.378 | 3.463 | 4.170 | 1.685 | 5.745 | 3.389 | 4.835 |
| GR      | 3.401 | 5.048 | 3.810 | 3.445 | 4.379 | 1.666 | 3.727 | 2.628 | 4.006 |
| HK      | 3.342 | 5.382 | 2.678 | 4.433 | 3.714 | 1.249 | 2.621 | 4.940 | 3.490 |
| HU      | 4.492 | 4.840 | 4.200 | 3.192 | 3.943 | 1.430 | 3.895 | 2.859 | 3.856 |
| IN      | 3.552 | 3.841 | 2.790 | 2.720 | 4.100 | 1.583 | 2.546 | 2.572 | 3.371 |
| IE      | 3.711 | 4.644 | 3.276 | 3.259 | 3.782 | 1.704 | 4.716 | 2.367 | 3.962 |
| IL      | 4.704 | 7.021 | 4.487 | 4.739 | 5.214 | 1.587 | 6.194 | 2.948 | 5.168 |
| IT      | 4.703 | 6.578 | 4.218 | 3.847 | 4.590 | 1.852 | 5.604 | 2.965 | 4.941 |
| JP      | 4.453 | 6.678 | 4.454 | 3.359 | 4.266 | 1.942 | 5.344 | 3.348 | 4.876 |
| MX      | 5.356 | 4.165 | 3.019 | 2.809 | 4.325 | 2.055 | 4.121 | 3.061 | 3.913 |
| NL      | 4.337 | 6.885 | 4.214 | 3.609 | 4.688 | 1.488 | 6.706 | 3.209 | 5.264 |
| NZ      | 4.088 | 5.643 | 3.093 | 3.749 | 4.850 | 0.996 | 5.107 | 3.127 | 4.120 |
| NO      | 3.797 | 6.400 | 3.553 | 3.001 | 4.619 | 1.952 | 6.791 | 3.126 | 4.688 |
| CN      | 3.323 | 3.534 | 2.518 | 2.688 | 3.322 | 1.274 | 2.175 | 2.828 | 3.047 |
| PL      | 3.685 | 3.615 | 3.431 | 2.708 | 3.684 | 1.819 | 3.271 | 2.495 | 3.501 |
| PT      | 4.651 | 5.043 | 2.870 | 3.295 | 4.028 | 1.067 | 4.095 | 2.538 | 3.912 |
| RO      | 5.175 | 3.329 | 2.180 | 2.459 | 3.396 | 1.524 | 2.094 | 1.811 | 2.903 |
| SA      | 2.182 | 2.662 | 2.133 | 1.961 | 2.819 | 0.557 | 1.612 | 1.200 | 2.347 |
| SG      | 5.958 | 4.587 | 4.021 | 3.564 | 2.064 | 0.827 | 3.263 | 2.033 | 3.232 |
| ZA      | 3.472 | 3.887 | 2.731 | 3.542 | 4.234 | 1.035 | 4.867 | 3.017 | 3.838 |
| KR      | 3.391 | 3.737 | 3.038 | 2.762 | 4.413 | 1.172 | 2.235 | 2.677 | 3.535 |
| ES      | 5.054 | 5.612 | 3.643 | 3.595 | 4.393 | 1.628 | 5.014 | 2.759 | 4.434 |
| SE      | 4.158 | 5.583 | 4.451 | 3.696 | 4.659 | 1.619 | 5.618 | 3.183 | 4.864 |
| CH      | 4.796 | 7.685 | 4.750 | 4.061 | 4.960 | 2.032 | 7.835 | 3.211 | 5.804 |
| TW      | 3.024 | 3.945 | 3.001 | 2.955 | 4.402 | 1.303 | 2.727 | 3.602 | 3.481 |
| TH      | 3.462 | 5.040 | 2.608 | 2.478 | 2.241 | 0.100 | 2.719 | 2.050 | 3.447 |
| TR      | 2.054 | 2.373 | 2.040 | 2.515 | 3.310 | 0.589 | 2.407 | 2.694 | 2.763 |
| VE      | 3.986 | 4.992 | 2.658 | 3.248 | 3.551 | 1.006 | 3.376 | 3.230 | 3.496 |
| YU      | 3.064 | 2.296 | 2.229 | 2.094 | 3.182 | 0.550 | 1.757 | 1.800 | 2.799 |
| US      | 4.934 | 7.552 | 4.920 | 3.990 | 5.275 | 1.615 | 6.601 | 3.565 | 5.651 |
| UK      | 4.705 | 6.715 | 3.944 | 3.546 | 4.423 | 1.617 | 6.560 | 3.310 | 5.148 |
| CZ      | 4.069 | 5.081 | 2.666 | 2.937 | 3.474 | 1.303 | 3.184 | 2.351 | 3.324 |
| SK      | 4.337 | 4.473 | 2.673 | 2.140 | 3.285 | 1.764 | 2.852 | 2.350 | 3.059 |
| RU      | 4.371 | 5.296 | 4.023 | 2.469 | 3.789 | 1.868 | 3.463 | 2.819 | 3.597 |
| UA      | 5.587 | 2.973 | 1.949 | 1.892 | 2.830 | 2.107 | 2.075 | 2.867 | 2.674 |
| CR      | 3.969 | 3.042 | 2.903 | 2.862 | 3.397 | 0.740 | 3.463 | 2.000 | 3.223 |
| SI      | 4.642 | 3.364 | 3.743 | 3.171 | 4.669 | 2.427 | 4.891 | n. a. | 4.462 |
| BY      | 4.673 | 3.622 | 2.748 | 1.570 | 2.335 | 1.467 | 3.043 | 0.300 | 2.327 |
| World   | 4.505 | 6.383 | 4.018 | 3.371 | 4.275 | 1.608 | 5.436 | 3.193 | 4.668 |

Table E2. Mean Expected Citation Rate (MECR) of papers published in 1995. Domestic papers

| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY   | MAT   | ENG   | ESS   | Total |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| AR      | 2.453 | 2.664 | 2.224 | 2.453 | 3.190 | 2.294 | 2.871 | 1.604 | 2.631 |
| AU      | 2.866 | 4.430 | 2.759 | 3.163 | 3.265 | 1.513 | 3.899 | 2.613 | 3.202 |
| AT      | 2.581 | 4.149 | 2.954 | 2.785 | 3.141 | 1.350 | 4.016 | 2.203 | 3.221 |
| BE      | 3.131 | 3.864 | 3.135 | 3.204 | 3.346 | 1.627 | 3.752 | 2.443 | 3.384 |
| BR      | 2.751 | 1.813 | 2.148 | 2.245 | 3.333 | 2.053 | 2.581 | 2.042 | 2.535 |
| BG      | 1.940 | 1.663 | 1.508 | 2.080 | 2.121 | 1.331 | 1.665 | 2.078 | 1.918 |
| CA      | 3.624 | 4.590 | 2.990 | 3.636 | 3.436 | 1.292 | 3.827 | 2.678 | 3.602 |
| CL      | 1.152 | 2.162 | 2.750 | 1.464 | 4.241 | 1.695 | 3.471 | 1.140 | 2.020 |
| DK      | 2.811 | 3.392 | 2.924 | 3.269 | 3.937 | 1.531 | 4.346 | 2.510 | 3.297 |
| EG      | 2.011 | 1.306 | 1.425 | 1.397 | 1.478 | 0.845 | 1.170 | 1.290 | 1.426 |
| DE      | 2.760 | 4.131 | 3.369 | 3.243 | 3.461 | 1.588 | 4.645 | 2.905 | 3.517 |
| FI      | 3.038 | 3.955 | 2.719 | 2.714 | 2.936 | 1.544 | 3.483 | 2.237 | 3.179 |
| FR      | 2.896 | 4.136 | 3.503 | 3.096 | 3.157 | 1.108 | 4.108 | 3.118 | 3.392 |
| GR      | 1.997 | 2.367 | 2.134 | 2.456 | 2.876 | 1.106 | 2.150 | 2.099 | 2.325 |
| HK      | 2.249 | 2.652 | 2.336 | 3.776 | 2.602 | 0.909 | 1.990 | 2.455 | 2.593 |
| HU      | 2.972 | 3.221 | 2.359 | 2.209 | 2.630 | 1.216 | 2.629 | 2.496 | 2.496 |
| IN      | 1.829 | 1.837 | 1.936 | 2.019 | 2.630 | 1.770 | 2.075 | 2.197 | 2.132 |
| IE      | 2.637 | 3.208 | 1.946 | 3.008 | 3.373 | 1.636 | 2.601 | 2.129 | 2.696 |
| IL      | 2.808 | 4.190 | 3.562 | 4.029 | 4.338 | 1.519 | 4.867 | 2.377 | 3.727 |
| IT      | 3.220 | 3.674 | 3.005 | 3.208 | 3.181 | 1.518 | 3.334 | 2.332 | 3.335 |
| JP      | 3.195 | 3.842 | 3.030 | 3.117 | 2.884 | 1.644 | 3.414 | 2.663 | 3.267 |
| MX      | 3.136 | 2.711 | 2.508 | 1.996 | 2.618 | 2.042 | 2.998 | 2.785 | 2.598 |
| NL      | 3.400 | 4.842 | 3.431 | 3.459 | 3.587 | 1.597 | 4.486 | 2.621 | 3.826 |
| NZ      | 2.431 | 4.206 | 2.131 | 3.152 | 3.087 | 0.893 | 3.683 | 2.363 | 2.661 |
| NO      | 2.783 | 3.778 | 2.479 | 2.714 | 3.255 | 1.419 | 3.118 | 2.019 | 2.881 |
| CN      | 1.181 | 1.569 | 2.166 | 2.158 | 2.454 | 1.244 | 1.663 | 1.730 | 2.053 |
| PL      | 2.696 | 2.174 | 2.036 | 1.868 | 2.101 | 1.362 | 2.028 | 2.061 | 2.041 |
| PT      | 2.897 | 2.893 | 2.558 | 2.735 | 2.807 | 0.855 | 2.499 | 1.859 | 2.708 |
| RO      | 2.090 | 2.406 | 2.592 | 1.069 | 2.012 | 0.889 | 1.483 | 1.100 | 1.476 |
| SA      | 1.931 | 1.869 | 1.508 | 1.706 | 1.720 | 1.133 | 1.221 | 1.581 | 1.728 |
| SG      | 2.057 | 2.752 | 2.193 | 2.632 | 1.893 | 0.963 | 1.661 | 1.158 | 2.079 |
| ZA      | 1.547 | 2.659 | 1.848 | 2.438 | 2.425 | 1.270 | 2.259 | 2.140 | 2.000 |
| KR      | 2.481 | 2.467 | 3.016 | 2.243 | 2.521 | 1.590 | 1.981 | 2.155 | 2.373 |
| ES      | 2.698 | 3.146 | 2.841 | 3.292 | 3.464 | 1.477 | 3.782 | 2.048 | 3.130 |
| SE      | 3.034 | 4.023 | 3.345 | 3.426 | 3.632 | 1.331 | 4.503 | 2.507 | 3.561 |
| CH      | 2.950 | 6.384 | 4.104 | 3.779 | 3.814 | 1.667 | 6.329 | 2.890 | 4.331 |
| TW      | 2.591 | 3.114 | 2.503 | 2.555 | 2.560 | 1.212 | 1.911 | 2.123 | 2.470 |
| TH      | 2.005 | 2.790 | 2.066 | 2.160 | 2.236 | n. a. | 1.782 | 2.900 | 2.133 |
| TR      | 1.660 | 1.698 | 1.495 | 1.493 | 1.865 | 1.279 | 1.444 | 1.749 | 1.665 |
| VE      | 3.302 | 2.791 | 2.403 | 2.188 | 2.575 | 1.274 | 2.425 | 2.233 | 2.467 |
| YU      | 2.497 | 2.420 | 1.825 | 1.882 | 2.228 | 1.550 | 1.341 | 1.771 | 2.044 |
| US      | 4.351 | 6.713 | 4.563 | 4.139 | 4.932 | 1.434 | 6.112 | 3.347 | 5.086 |
| UK      | 3.029 | 4.706 | 3.380 | 3.358 | 3.285 | 1.322 | 4.417 | 2.887 | 3.622 |
| CZ      | 2.498 | 2.945 | 1.681 | 1.980 | 2.275 | 1.088 | 1.961 | 2.226 | 2.099 |
| SK      | 1.841 | 1.748 | 1.431 | 1.357 | 1.669 | 0.979 | 1.847 | 1.871 | 1.546 |
| RU      | 0.841 | 0.749 | 1.235 | 0.842 | 1.338 | 0.940 | 1.056 | 0.646 | 1.013 |
| UA      | 2.347 | 0.710 | 0.911 | 1.006 | 1.108 | 1.168 | 1.051 | 0.888 | 1.022 |
| CR      | 2.301 | 2.289 | 1.737 | 2.373 | 2.827 | 1.378 | 1.796 | 1.669 | 2.318 |
| SI      | 2.543 | 2.566 | 2.885 | 2.694 | 2.522 | 2.085 | 2.632 | 2.533 | 2.688 |
| BY      | 1.700 | 1.027 | 1.280 | 0.787 | 1.100 | 0.987 | 0.844 | 0.169 | 0.891 |
| World   | 3.422 | 4.939 | 3.460 | 2.981 | 3.377 | 1.379 | 4.323 | 2.757 | 3.693 |

Table F1. Mean Expected Citation Rate (MECR) of papers published in 1996. International papers

| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY   | MAT   | ENG   | ESS   | Total |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| AR      | 3.801 | 3.765 | 3.092 | 3.018 | 4.326 | 2.058 | 4.282 | 2.846 | 3.787 |
| AU      | 3.778 | 6.298 | 3.613 | 3.480 | 4.423 | 1.337 | 5.648 | 3.076 | 4.454 |
| AT      | 4.067 | 5.525 | 4.588 | 2.793 | 4.205 | 1.807 | 5.391 | 2.611 | 4.530 |
| BE      | 3.699 | 5.542 | 3.948 | 3.303 | 3.950 | 1.755 | 5.408 | 3.298 | 4.370 |
| BR      | 3.316 | 4.602 | 2.867 | 2.790 | 4.318 | 1.978 | 3.723 | 3.235 | 3.826 |
| BG      | 2.452 | 2.997 | 3.603 | 2.831 | 3.740 | 1.384 | 2.969 | 1.580 | 3.160 |
| CA      | 4.505 | 6.907 | 4.318 | 3.850 | 5.097 | 1.307 | 6.569 | 3.093 | 5.176 |
| CL      | 3.874 | 4.950 | 3.982 | 2.431 | 5.274 | 1.138 | 3.594 | 3.262 | 4.301 |
| DK      | 4.057 | 5.180 | 3.925 | 3.746 | 5.122 | 1.980 | 5.735 | 3.149 | 4.742 |
| EG      | 2.167 | 2.977 | 2.281 | 2.258 | 2.193 | 0.940 | 2.318 | 1.778 | 2.380 |
| DE      | 4.662 | 6.720 | 4.750 | 3.605 | 4.326 | 1.894 | 6.377 | 3.395 | 4.975 |
| FI      | 4.346 | 5.734 | 3.485 | 3.303 | 4.248 | 1.497 | 5.389 | 2.687 | 4.528 |
| FR      | 4.717 | 6.431 | 4.578 | 3.426 | 4.246 | 1.784 | 5.887 | 3.279 | 4.796 |
| GR      | 3.547 | 5.470 | 3.203 | 3.233 | 4.279 | 1.618 | 4.113 | 2.798 | 4.089 |
| HK      | 2.956 | 3.421 | 3.048 | 3.688 | 3.914 | 1.080 | 2.434 | 2.489 | 3.282 |
| HU      | 5.001 | 4.813 | 3.926 | 3.297 | 4.342 | 1.714 | 4.558 | 2.508 | 4.185 |
| IN      | 3.253 | 4.031 | 2.807 | 3.178 | 3.773 | 1.758 | 2.573 | 2.774 | 3.446 |
| IE      | 3.513 | 4.077 | 2.544 | 3.417 | 3.579 | 1.733 | 3.630 | 2.675 | 3.416 |
| IL      | 4.518 | 6.744 | 5.209 | 4.451 | 5.147 | 1.655 | 5.998 | 2.746 | 5.103 |
| IT      | 4.495 | 6.237 | 4.104 | 3.897 | 4.545 | 2.010 | 5.701 | 2.931 | 4.861 |
| JP      | 4.644 | 6.645 | 4.188 | 3.277 | 4.202 | 1.688 | 5.844 | 3.061 | 4.877 |
| MX      | 3.895 | 4.722 | 3.023 | 2.663 | 4.192 | 1.808 | 4.099 | 2.719 | 3.708 |
| NL      | 4.125 | 6.855 | 4.346 | 3.515 | 4.476 | 1.619 | 6.818 | 3.261 | 5.075 |
| NZ      | 4.104 | 4.331 | 3.099 | 3.956 | 4.419 | 0.979 | 4.101 | 2.914 | 3.814 |
| NO      | 3.290 | 4.349 | 3.198 | 2.749 | 4.646 | 1.491 | 4.409 | 2.924 | 3.810 |
| CN      | 3.353 | 3.389 | 2.513 | 2.862 | 3.562 | 1.194 | 2.134 | 2.533 | 3.132 |
| PL      | 3.307 | 3.296 | 2.964 | 2.823 | 3.466 | 1.731 | 3.089 | 2.265 | 3.326 |
| PT      | 3.213 | 5.175 | 3.475 | 3.659 | 3.653 | 1.882 | 3.714 | 2.532 | 3.634 |
| RO      | 3.995 | 4.876 | 3.395 | 2.320 | 3.183 | 1.320 | 2.190 | 2.120 | 2.907 |
| SA      | 2.340 | 3.388 | 1.845 | 2.167 | 1.922 | 0.670 | 3.855 | 1.625 | 2.735 |
| SG      | 3.435 | 4.552 | 3.864 | 3.429 | 2.022 | 0.903 | 2.999 | 1.920 | 3.136 |
| ZA      | 2.448 | 3.622 | 2.591 | 2.563 | 3.794 | 1.485 | 6.227 | 4.230 | 3.774 |
| KR      | 3.638 | 4.097 | 3.611 | 2.722 | 4.094 | 1.115 | 2.487 | 2.471 | 3.409 |
| ES      | 4.615 | 5.232 | 3.639 | 3.772 | 4.466 | 1.657 | 4.874 | 2.487 | 4.442 |
| SE      | 4.007 | 5.857 | 4.006 | 3.744 | 4.554 | 1.865 | 6.126 | 3.098 | 4.836 |
| CH      | 4.542 | 8.439 | 5.306 | 3.951 | 5.103 | 1.881 | 8.022 | 3.143 | 5.842 |
| TW      | 3.432 | 4.205 | 3.431 | 3.248 | 4.573 | 1.193 | 2.500 | 3.416 | 3.668 |
| TH      | 3.157 | 4.125 | 2.484 | 2.213 | 1.632 | n. a. | 2.763 | 1.818 | 3.246 |
| TR      | 2.565 | 3.770 | 2.492 | 2.431 | 2.968 | 1.105 | 3.424 | 2.128 | 2.986 |
| VE      | 4.322 | 3.621 | 3.138 | 3.002 | 3.663 | 1.583 | 3.228 | 2.782 | 3.661 |
| YU      | 3.143 | 2.867 | 3.019 | 2.122 | 3.451 | 1.908 | 2.134 | 1.733 | 2.875 |
| US      | 4.865 | 7.472 | 4.943 | 4.073 | 5.271 | 1.580 | 6.825 | 3.527 | 5.615 |
| UK      | 4.448 | 6.225 | 4.013 | 3.595 | 4.326 | 1.677 | 6.300 | 3.070 | 4.942 |
| CZ      | 3.273 | 3.931 | 3.154 | 2.829 | 3.579 | 1.375 | 3.147 | 2.196 | 3.228 |
| SK      | 3.115 | 2.609 | 2.998 | 2.335 | 3.472 | 1.324 | 3.542 | 1.505 | 3.085 |
| RU      | 3.659 | 4.639 | 3.907 | 2.467 | 3.596 | 1.909 | 3.545 | 2.924 | 3.464 |
| UA      | 6.487 | 2.339 | 2.433 | 2.023 | 2.543 | 1.890 | 1.797 | 2.055 | 2.434 |
| CR      | 3.174 | 3.139 | 3.532 | 2.763 | 3.754 | 1.045 | 3.040 | 3.225 | 3.213 |
| SI      | 2.935 | 3.396 | 2.587 | 3.102 | 4.397 | 1.881 | 3.155 | 1.650 | 3.564 |
| BY      | 1.863 | 3.230 | 1.859 | 2.065 | 2.223 | 1.500 | 2.644 | 1.833 | 2.428 |
| World   | 4.329 | 6.267 | 4.025 | 3.403 | 4.246 | 1.615 | 5.497 | 3.095 | 4.597 |

Table F2. Mean Expected Citation Rate (MECR) of papers published in 1996. Domestic papers

| Country | MED   | BRE   | BIO   | CHE   | PHY   | MAT   | ENG   | ESS   | Total |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| AR      | 2.287 | 2.488 | 2.115 | 2.643 | 3.217 | 2.341 | 2.441 | 2.063 | 2.543 |
| AU      | 2.746 | 4.259 | 2.617 | 3.100 | 3.181 | 1.490 | 3.655 | 2.454 | 3.093 |
| AT      | 2.697 | 3.792 | 2.838 | 2.650 | 2.989 | 1.127 | 4.234 | 2.337 | 3.157 |
| BE      | 2.883 | 3.680 | 2.894 | 3.276 | 3.097 | 1.583 | 3.423 | 2.360 | 3.202 |
| BR      | 2.465 | 1.939 | 2.127 | 2.489 | 3.473 | 1.967 | 2.522 | 2.331 | 2.545 |
| BG      | 2.109 | 1.680 | 1.752 | 2.067 | 1.936 | 1.177 | 1.874 | 1.590 | 1.911 |
| CA      | 3.586 | 4.571 | 3.006 | 3.800 | 3.568 | 1.220 | 4.042 | 2.464 | 3.612 |
| CL      | 1.155 | 2.396 | 2.494 | 1.553 | 4.363 | 1.485 | 3.087 | 3.100 | 2.098 |
| DK      | 2.795 | 3.418 | 2.879 | 3.076 | 4.067 | 1.676 | 4.253 | 2.416 | 3.259 |
| EG      | 1.833 | 1.344 | 1.114 | 1.256 | 1.464 | 1.033 | 1.097 | 1.367 | 1.356 |
| DE      | 2.862 | 4.131 | 3.470 | 3.326 | 3.299 | 1.617 | 4.380 | 2.997 | 3.517 |
| FI      | 3.016 | 3.592 | 2.701 | 2.748 | 3.167 | 1.090 | 3.536 | 2.158 | 3.165 |
| FR      | 2.789 | 4.046 | 3.596 | 3.095 | 3.117 | 1.282 | 4.186 | 2.756 | 3.372 |
| GR      | 2.268 | 2.278 | 1.778 | 2.585 | 2.822 | 1.189 | 1.918 | 2.601 | 2.373 |
| HK      | 2.311 | 2.763 | 2.423 | 3.911 | 2.867 | 1.237 | 1.748 | 1.580 | 2.604 |
| HU      | 2.979 | 2.437 | 2.723 | 2.287 | 3.041 | 1.195 | 2.942 | 1.642 | 2.642 |
| IN      | 1.947 | 1.848 | 2.064 | 2.070 | 2.672 | 1.676 | 1.946 | 2.226 | 2.162 |
| IE      | 2.656 | 3.247 | 1.800 | 3.154 | 3.470 | 1.452 | 2.526 | 2.040 | 2.664 |
| IL      | 2.783 | 3.979 | 3.579 | 3.910 | 4.177 | 1.598 | 4.471 | 2.801 | 3.560 |
| IT      | 3.009 | 3.616 | 3.160 | 3.237 | 3.231 | 1.560 | 3.516 | 2.323 | 3.297 |
| JP      | 3.061 | 3.632 | 2.942 | 3.055 | 2.850 | 1.552 | 3.174 | 2.524 | 3.152 |
| MX      | 2.528 | 2.386 | 2.448 | 2.321 | 2.540 | 1.813 | 2.312 | 2.542 | 2.495 |
| NL      | 3.359 | 4.421 | 3.447 | 3.449 | 3.439 | 1.445 | 4.528 | 2.655 | 3.733 |
| NZ      | 2.187 | 3.678 | 2.125 | 3.033 | 2.430 | 0.918 | 3.053 | 2.413 | 2.527 |
| NO      | 2.584 | 3.420 | 2.458 | 2.880 | 2.704 | 0.932 | 2.934 | 2.724 | 2.816 |
| CN      | 1.192 | 1.559 | 2.177 | 2.183 | 2.396 | 1.171 | 1.575 | 1.783 | 2.117 |
| PL      | 2.065 | 2.026 | 2.011 | 2.049 | 2.125 | 1.353 | 2.044 | 1.841 | 2.070 |
| PT      | 2.670 | 2.740 | 2.387 | 2.614 | 2.832 | 1.017 | 2.107 | 2.295 | 2.552 |
| RO      | 2.211 | 1.859 | 2.575 | 1.105 | 1.897 | 0.936 | 1.441 | 1.533 | 1.445 |
| SA      | 1.550 | 1.694 | 1.497 | 1.657 | 1.809 | 0.824 | 1.402 | 1.880 | 1.625 |
| SG      | 2.043 | 2.482 | 2.747 | 2.828 | 2.116 | 0.953 | 1.911 | 1.589 | 2.278 |
| ZA      | 1.369 | 2.483 | 1.945 | 2.693 | 2.826 | 1.293 | 2.141 | 2.954 | 2.022 |
| KR      | 2.097 | 2.149 | 2.999 | 2.367 | 2.554 | 1.561 | 1.915 | 2.334 | 2.360 |
| ES      | 2.721 | 3.346 | 2.873 | 3.312 | 3.546 | 1.368 | 4.001 | 2.067 | 3.202 |
| SE      | 2.930 | 3.674 | 3.322 | 3.578 | 3.741 | 1.403 | 3.998 | 2.619 | 3.392 |
| CH      | 3.009 | 5.695 | 4.106 | 3.860 | 3.789 | 1.653 | 6.175 | 2.584 | 4.258 |
| TW      | 2.209 | 2.985 | 2.791 | 2.563 | 2.338 | 0.929 | 1.830 | 2.343 | 2.367 |
| TH      | 2.085 | 2.385 | 2.110 | 2.152 | 1.533 | n. a. | 1.558 | 0.900 | 2.092 |
| TR      | 1.575 | 1.839 | 1.571 | 1.626 | 1.893 | 1.236 | 1.425 | 2.004 | 1.695 |
| VE      | 1.989 | 2.454 | 2.392 | 2.489 | 2.965 | 1.577 | 2.240 | 1.830 | 2.350 |
| YU      | 1.592 | 2.208 | 2.000 | 1.995 | 2.210 | 1.877 | 1.354 | 2.433 | 1.891 |
| US      | 4.349 | 6.370 | 4.591 | 4.317 | 4.927 | 1.494 | 6.114 | 3.458 | 5.050 |
| UK      | 3.070 | 4.476 | 3.290 | 3.366 | 3.211 | 1.531 | 4.212 | 2.657 | 3.561 |
| CZ      | 2.183 | 2.180 | 1.637 | 1.494 | 2.072 | 1.229 | 2.036 | 1.663 | 1.746 |
| SK      | 1.454 | 1.272 | 1.283 | 1.109 | 1.764 | 0.891 | 1.855 | 1.324 | 1.344 |
| RU      | 1.522 | 0.683 | 1.300 | 0.869 | 1.187 | 0.861 | 1.023 | 0.718 | 0.992 |
| UA      | 3.374 | 0.910 | 1.116 | 1.004 | 1.039 | 0.958 | 0.814 | 0.812 | 0.980 |
| CR      | 1.921 | 1.875 | 1.550 | 2.261 | 2.415 | 0.956 | 2.398 | 2.933 | 2.114 |
| SI      | 2.279 | 3.185 | 2.298 | 2.356 | 3.126 | 1.527 | 1.827 | 2.180 | 2.515 |
| BY      | 2.400 | 1.114 | 0.609 | 0.950 | 1.123 | 1.473 | 0.628 | 0.164 | 1.035 |
| World   | 3.393 | 4.672 | 3.458 | 3.074 | 3.315 | 1.412 | 4.234 | 2.763 | 3.645 |

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