

A Scientometric Mapping of Green Building Research Publications: A Study

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Abstract - This study analyzed the growth of research publications in the field of Green Building. A total of 8287 records were downloaded from Web of science database for the period of twenty eight years. The findings revealed that USA has the maximum number of contribution with 2072 records, having a global citation score of 49655 and a local citation score of 2505. In the ranking of authors, Jim CY has published the highest number of publications with 35 records, having a global citation score of 728. Further Contribution of journals, preference of publication, etc were also analyzed in this paper. The study also applied histogram analysis using histcite based on Global Citation Scores (GCS).

Key Words: Scientometrics, Histcite, Web of Science, Global Citation Scores (GCS)

I. INTRODUCTION

GREEN building denotes to both a structure and the using of processes that are environmentally liable and resource-efficient throughout a building's life-cycle: from siting to design, structure, action, conservation, revamp, and annihilation. In other words, green building design involves discovering the stability between homebuilding and the sustainable environment. This entails close cooperation of the design team, the architects, the engineers, and the client at all project stages. The Green Building practice expands and complements the classical building design concerns of economy, utility, durability, and comfort. *Scientometrics* is a study, measuring the "Quality" of science where emphasis is placed on investigations where the mechanisms of science are studied by statistical methods. This paper analyzes the research output of Green Building using scientometric tools.

A. OBJECTIVES

- To analyze the year wise publication of research output in Green Building

- To find out the prolific authors in Green Building research
- To find out the document wise distribution of publication.
- To analyze the journal wise distribution of publication.
- To create a histogram based on Global Citation Scores

B. METHODOLOGY

The data for the study were extracted from web of science database which is a scientific and indexing service maintained by Thomson Reuters. The research productivity of Green Building was analyzed. The following search strategy has been used to extract data ADDRESS-ABS-KEY ("Green Building") AND PUB-YEARS (1990-2017) The bibliographic details such as authors, document types, collaboration etc were analyzed using Histcite which is a software package used for bibliometric analysis and information visualization.

C. ANALYSIS

A total of 8782 records were published in Green Building research from the year 1990-2017. The research output was analyzed using various scientometric indicators. Weighted pendulum Charpy -type impact test .

D. PUBLICATION YEARS

Table 1: Year wise Analysis of Green Building Research Output

| S.NO | PUBLICATION YEAR | RECORDS | TLCS | TGCS |
|------|------------------|---------|------|------|
| 1 | 1990 | 4 | 0 | 41 |
| 2 | 1991 | 37 | 33 | 933 |
| 3 | 1992 | 32 | 9 | 608 |

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|----|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| 4 | 1993 | 33 | 16 | 1786 |
| 5 | 1994 | 48 | 7 | 674 |
| 6 | 1995 | 64 | 27 | 1366 |
| 7 | 1996 | 50 | 7 | 999 |
| 8 | 1997 | 76 | 19 | 3612 |
| 9 | 1998 | 92 | 92 | 3293 |
| 10 | 1999 | 91 | 192 | 2309 |
| 11 | 2000 | 110 | 133 | 4584 |
| 12 | 2001 | 133 | 332 | 5193 |
| 13 | 2002 | 123 | 58 | 4834 |
| 14 | 2003 | 140 | 105 | 3772 |
| 15 | 2004 | 167 | 156 | 5398 |
| 16 | 2005 | 195 | 385 | 6542 |
| 17 | 2006 | 271 | 526 | 8077 |
| 18 | 2007 | 317 | 661 | 9793 |
| 19 | 2008 | 390 | 885 | 12774 |
| 20 | 2009 | 386 | 488 | 8524 |
| 21 | 2010 | 477 | 735 | 10781 |
| 22 | 2011 | 554 | 973 | 9794 |
| 23 | 2012 | 681 | 829 | 10065 |
| 24 | 2013 | 811 | 864 | 8770 |
| 25 | 2014 | 928 | 720 | 7545 |
| 26 | 2015 | 1146 | 371 | 4221 |
| 27 | 2016 | 1328 | 113 | 1277 |
| 28 | 2017 | 98 | 1 | 8 |
| | TOTAL | 8782 | 8737 | 137573 |

Table 1 presents the year wise research output of Green Building research from the year 1990-2017. It was found out that, totally 8782 publications were published by the researchers during the period of 28 years. The highest number of publications is found to be 1328 in the year 2016 with a Local Citation Score of 113 and a Global Citation Score of 1277, followed by 1146 papers in the year 2012 with a Local Citation Score of 371 and a Global Citation Score of 4221. It was found out from the table that the research publications in the field of Green Building are increasing every year, which indicates a positive and healthy trend.

E. PROLIFIC AUTHORS

Table 2: Ranking of Top ten authors in Green Building Research

| S.NO | AUTHORS | RECORDS | TLCS | TGCS |
|------|---------|---------|------|------|
| 1 | Jim CY | 35 | 259 | 728 |
| 2 | Zhang Y | 25 | 3 | 279 |

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|----|-------------------------|----|-----|-----|
| 3 | Li Y | 23 | 12 | 185 |
| 4 | Cole RJ | 20 | 115 | 371 |
| 5 | Ghaffarianhos eini A | 18 | 120 | 248 |
| 6 | Wang L | 18 | 5 | 267 |
| 7 | Chen J | 17 | 0 | 162 |
| 8 | Kim J | 17 | 18 | 387 |
| 9 | Wang X | 17 | 3 | 210 |
| 10 | Chen L | 16 | 44 | 313 |

Table 2 indicates the ranking of top ten authors by the number of publications in Green Building research during the period 1990-2017. The study found out that totally 25539 authors contributed to Cell Biology Green Building. It is clearly seen from the table that Jim CY has published the highest number of publications with 35 records, having a global citation score of 728, followed by Pandey A and Sharma A with 25 and 23 records each, having a global citation score of 279 and 185 respectively

F. DOCUMENT TYPES

Table 3: Document-wise Distribution of Publications

| S.NO | DOCUMENT TYPES | RECS | TLCS | TGCS |
|------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1 | Article | 7567 | 7498 | 106563 |
| 2 | Review | 517 | 755 | 23518 |
| 3 | Article; Proceedings Paper | 390 | 426 | 6507 |
| 4 | Editorial Material | 118 | 51 | 532 |
| 5 | News Item | 81 | 1 | 26 |
| 6 | Book Review | 44 | 0 | 1 |
| 7 | Letter | 19 | 3 | 173 |
| 8 | Review; Book Chapter | 18 | 1 | 207 |
| 9 | Meeting Abstract | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Note | 7 | 2 | 25 |
| 11 | Correction | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 12 | Article; Book Chapter | 3 | 0 | 19 |
| 13 | Reprint | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| 14 | Software Review | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | 8782 | 8737 | 137573 |

Table 3 reveals the Document wise distribution of publication in Green Building research in India. The highest numbers of publications were in the form of journal articles contributing to 7597 records with a Local Citation Score of 7498 and a Global Citation Score of 106563 followed by Review with 517 records with with a Local Citation Score of

755 and a Global Citation Score of 23518. It is also noted that the global citation rate exceeded the local citation rate which indicates that the visibility of the publications is higher.

| S.N O | JOURNAL | RECORDS | TLC S | TGCS |
|-------|--|---------|-------|------|
| 1 | ENERGY AND BUILDINGS | 208 | 1140 | 4030 |
| 2 | JOURNAL OF GREEN BUILDING | 188 | 160 | 357 |
| 3 | BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENT | 179 | 1138 | 3986 |
| 4 | LANDSCAPE AND URBAN PLANNING | 108 | 360 | 2429 |
| 5 | JOURNAL OF CLEANER PRODUCTION | 105 | 87 | 759 |
| 6 | BUILDING RESEARCH AND INFORMATION | 102 | 502 | 1669 |
| 7 | RENEWABLE & SUSTAINABLE ENERGY REVIEWS | 92 | 268 | 2357 |
| 8 | SUSTAINABILITY | 69 | 11 | 175 |
| 9 | URBAN FORESTRY & URBAN GREENING | 57 | 105 | 553 |
| 10 | APPLIED ENERGY | 53 | 194 | 967 |

The study found out the total research output on Green Building during the period of 28 years, comprising of 8782 records were published in 2806 journals. The journal "Energy and Buildings" stands first with 208 records, having a global citation score of 4030 and a local citation Score of 1130 followed by Journal of Green Building with 188 records, having a global citation score of 357 and a local citation score of 160.

G. CONTRIBUTION OF COUNTRIES

Table 5: Country Wise analysis of Green Building research publications (Top Ten)

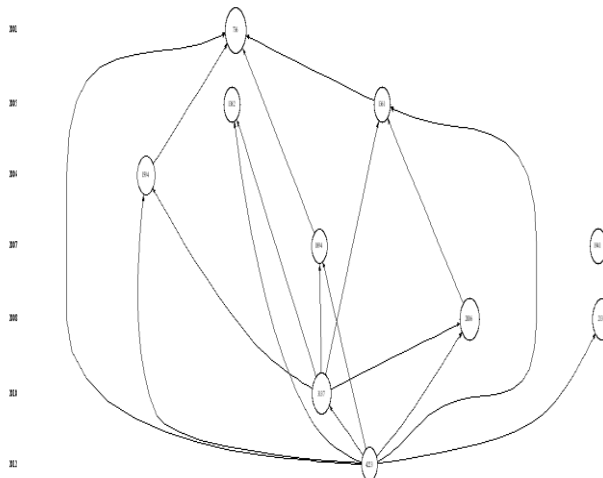
| S.NO | COUNTRIES | RECORDS | TLCS | TGCS |
|------|-----------|---------|------|-------|
| 1 | USA | 2072 | 2505 | 49655 |
| 2 | China | 1311 | 1206 | 15653 |
| 3 | UK | 741 | 975 | 12663 |
| 4 | Unknown | 570 | 272 | 4437 |
| 5 | Germany | 548 | 301 | 11434 |
| 6 | Canada | 434 | 720 | 9531 |
| 7 | Italy | 415 | 538 | 4992 |
| 8 | France | 401 | 261 | 7184 |
| 9 | Australia | 389 | 638 | 5295 |
| 10 | Spain | 281 | 248 | 3444 |

Table 5 shows the contribution of top ten countries in Green Building research. It is inferred from the table that USA has the maximum number of records with 2702 having a global citation score of 49655, followed by China and UK

with 1311 and 741 records each having Global Citation Scores of 15653 and 12663 respectively.

H. HISTRIOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS OF JOURNALS

An attempt can be made to develop histogram for Green Building research output using histcite software, for which 8782 papers have been included and references have been quoted in the papers also. The collection is exported to software and shows 8782 papers and 381745 cited references with LCS 8737 and GCS 137573 during the period 1990 – 2017, it was found out that a total of 8782 records were published during the given period. The findings obtained in



this study may be useful for prospective students, researchers and subject experts in the relevant field.

II CONCLUSION

The solicitation of quantitative procedures to scientific research has highlighted the contribution of countries, institutions, journals and also individual researchers. In the productivity analysis of Green Building research output during the period 1990-2017, it was found out that a total of 8782 records were published during the given period. The findings obtained in this study may be useful for prospective students, researchers and subject experts in the relevant field.

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