# **Scopus Update**

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# Agenda:

- Content Coverage in Scopus
- Recently added functionality:
  - \* Citation Tracker
  - \* Author Profiling
  - \* calculating the Hirsch Index

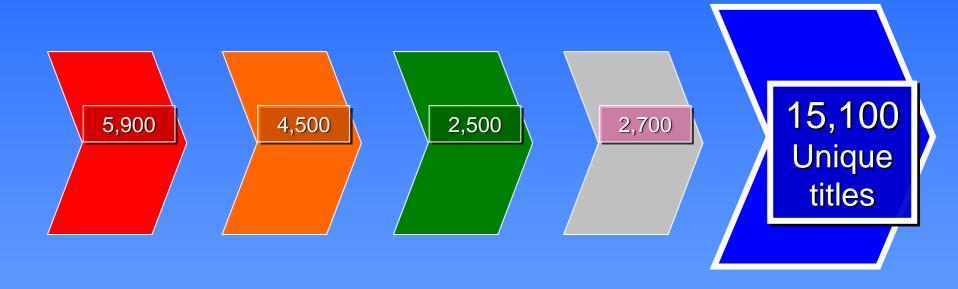
http://www.info.scopus.com

# **Content types**

- 27.7 million records
- 245 million references, added to records from 1996 onwards
- In addition to traditional scientific and academic journals, Scopus covers:
  - 500 Open Access journals
  - 700 Conference Proceedings
  - 600 Trade Publications
  - 125 Book Series
  - Medline (100% coverage)
  - 240 million quality web sites, including 12.7 million patents indexed by Scirus

#### The BROADEST source of STM and Social Sciences information





Life & Health (100% Medline)

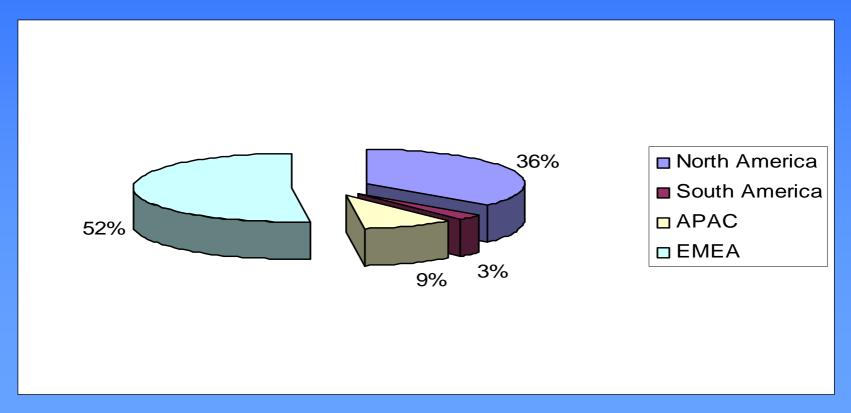
Chemistry
Physics
Engineering

Biological
Agricultural
Environmental

Social Sciences
Psychology
Economics

# Geographical coverage

 Scopus covers journals from all geographical regions, including non-English titles (with English abstracts)



#### Citation Tracker: what is it?

- Real-time calculation of citations overview for:
  - A selection of articles
  - A selection of articles or all the articles by one specific author
  - All articles published by one specific journal for a given year
- All citation counts and links to articles displayed on the same screen
- Easy to print and export

# Citation Tracker: possible applications:

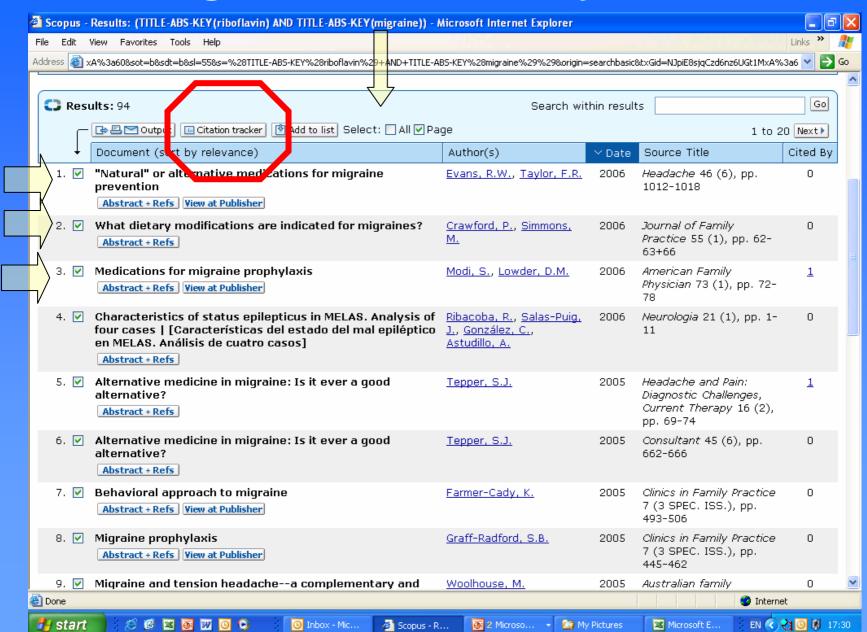
- Grant application for research groups
- Recruitment
- Evaluation of a university, department or research group's scientific output
- Choosing a mentor for a master or PhD program
- Can be added to author's CV or homepage

#### How to use it:

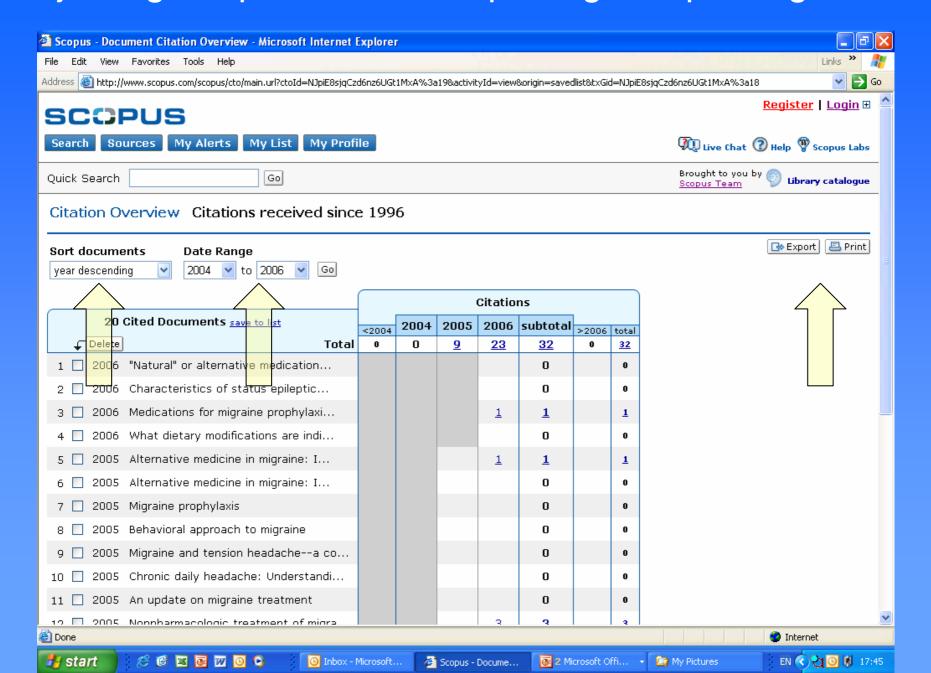
- Select the articles to be analised:
  - Run a keyword/author search and select the articles to be included in the overview, or
  - Search/browse for the journal you want to analyze
- From the results list or journal page, click on:

  Citation tracker
- Adjust the parameters if necessary (date range, exclude self citations, sort articles by date/citations) and click Go
- You can also save this list of articles for future reference and print or export the Citation Overview

# Selecting results from a keyword search:



#### Adjusting the parameters, exporting and printing:



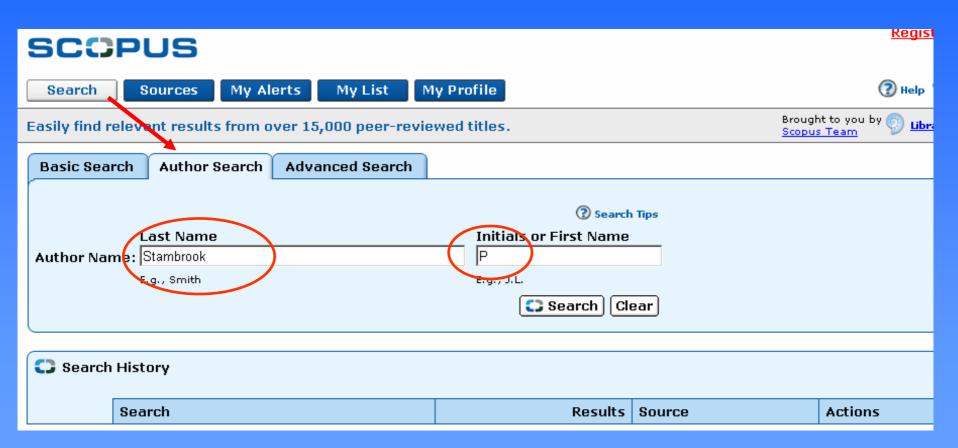
# **Author Identifier functionality**

- Author Identifier enables Scopus users to avoid two major problems which affect most A&I databases:
  - How to distinguish between an author's articles and those of another author sharing the same name?
  - How to group an author's articles together when his or her name has been recorded in different ways? (e.g. Stambrook, P and Stambrook, P.J.)
- With other databases, these problems can result in retrieving incomplete or inaccurate results.

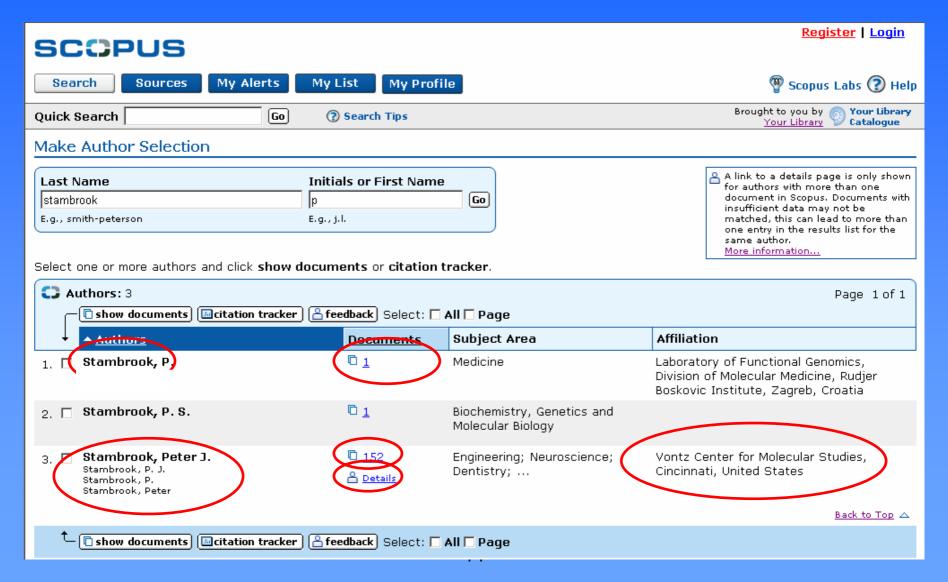
# Solving the problem

- Scopus solves these problems by analyzing the data available in the publication records such as...
  - Author Names
  - Affiliation
  - Co-authors
  - Self citations
  - Source title
  - Subject area
- ...and using this data to group articles that belong to a specific author.
- So how does Author Identifier work?

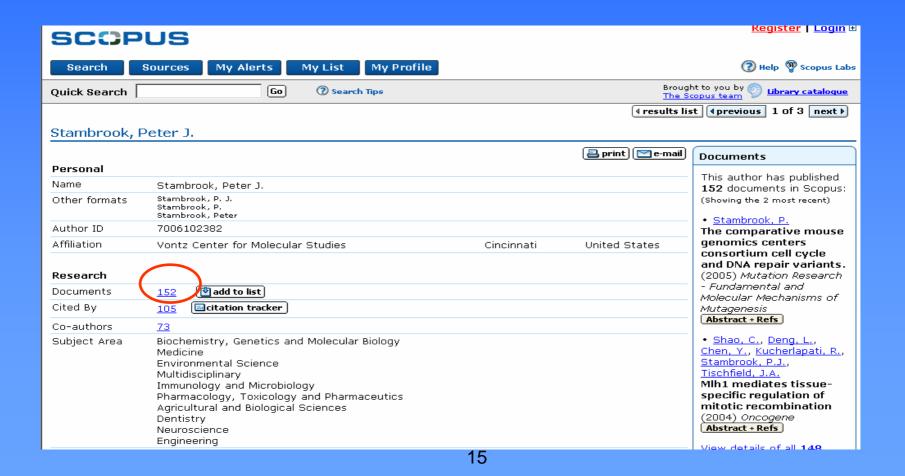
Use the Author Search to find an author of interest



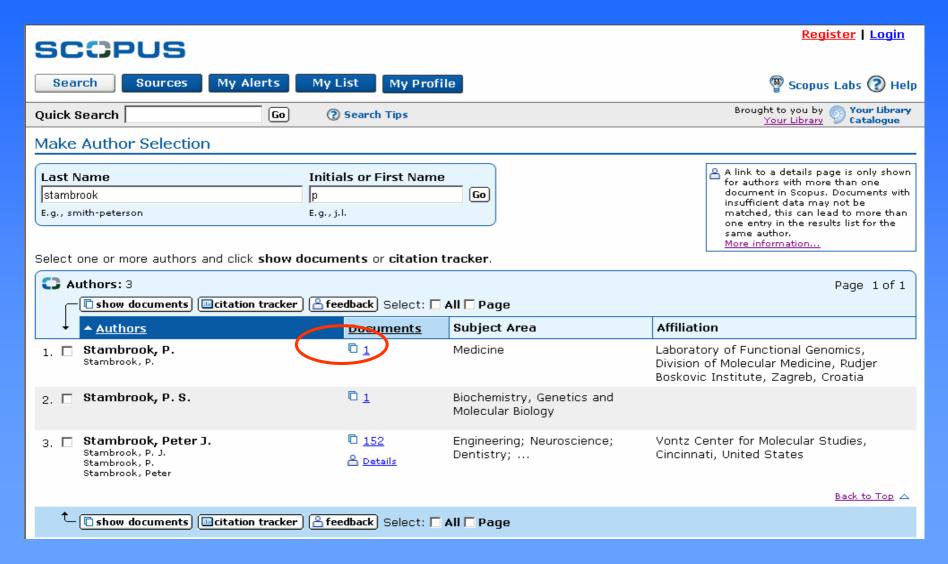
 An author results list is displayed, showing preferred author name and the name variants



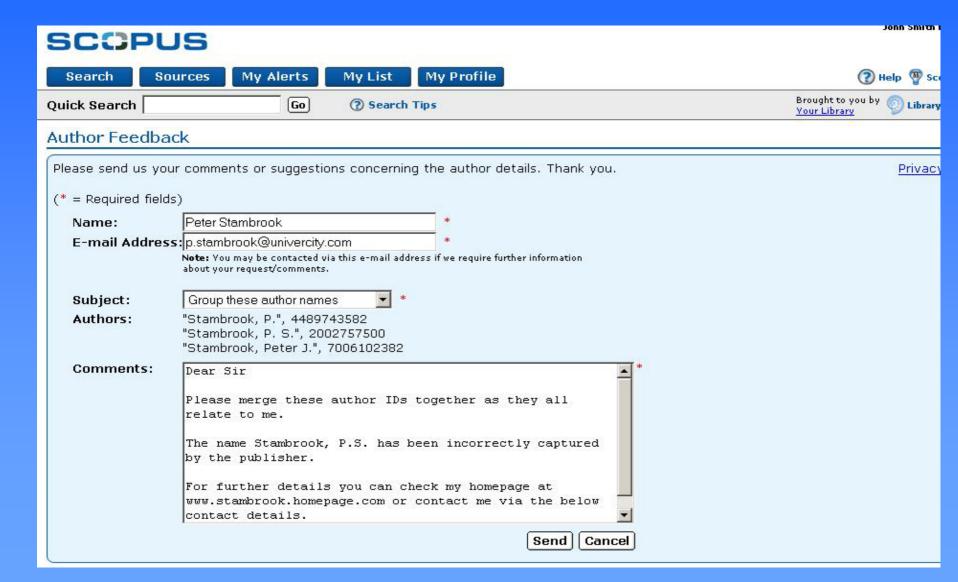
 This page provides citation information, co-author listings, papers, subjects and more.



 The Author Results page (and the author details page) includes a feedback option...



Authors can suggest amendments or updates to their own article information



# The Hirsch Index

#### The H-index: a definition

'The H-index is the highest number of papers a scientist has that have at least that number of citations.' *Nature (2005):* 

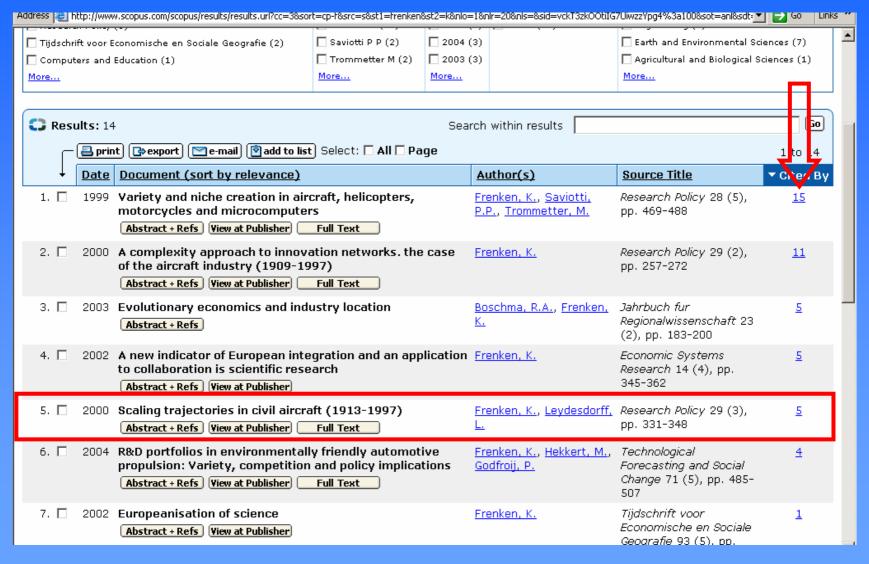
#### The Hirsch Index

- The Hirsch or h-index is rapidly becoming viewed as an alternative measure to the impact factor for performance evaluation
- Published by Jorge E. Hirsch in August
   2005
- Popular with academic community
- Can be calculated easily using the Citation Tracker and the search result page sorting options.

# The Hirsch Index: How to calculate it on Scopus:

- Run an author search
- Sort result by citations, clicking on Cited by
- Scroll down the new display of results until the ranking number is equal or less than the number of citations.
- That ranking number is the Hirsch Index for that author.

# Calculating the H-index



# Questions?

Thank you!