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# Mapping of Research Productivity on Constructivism in the Open Access Sources from 2016 – 2020 : A Scientometric Analysis

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#### INTRODUCTION

Learning – the specialty of human race. Learning stands for all those changes and modifications in the behavior of the individual which he/she undergoes during his/her life time. According to Kimble (1961) learning is a relatively permanent change in behavioral personality that occurs as a result of reinforced practice (Mangal, 2008). Human learning can be constructed; that is the learners can build newknowledge upon the foundation of previous learning. This previous learning or knowledge influences what new ormodified knowledge of an individual will construct from new learning experiences (Phillips, 1995) and this is the core idea behind Constructivism. Constructivism is 'an approach to learning that holds that people actively construct or make their own knowledge and that is reality determined by the experiences of the learner' (Elliott et al., 2000, p. 256).

#### **TYPES OF CONSTRUCTIVISM**

Constructivism can be broadly classified into three categories, namely; cognitive constructivism, social constructivism and radical constructivism.

**Cognitive Constructivism :** It states that knowledge can be constructed based on the existing cognitive structures. This approach is based on the theory of Piaget's Cognitive Development (1936).

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**Social Constructivism :** It states that knowledge can be constructed by the individuals through the interactions with their culture and society and it is considered as a collaborative learning process. This approach was developed by Lev Vygotsky (1978).

**Radical Constructivism :** It states that knowledge can be constructed rather than perceived through senses. This approach was developed by Ernst von Glasersfeld (1974). (Ernest, 1994, p.8)

### SALIENT FEATURES OF CONSTRUCTIVISM

Constructivism is exclusively based on human learning and knowledge construction. Based on the research and findings of various research on constructivism by eminent educationists, psychologists and experts, the salient features of the constructivism can be listed as follows;

- Knowledge is constructed, rather than innate, or passively absorbed (Phillips, 1995). It is the individual efforts of the learner that decide the quantity and quality of the knowledge acquainted.
- Learning is an active process that proceeds from womb to tomb. Parents, family Members, society, life incidents and all the experiences insist learning.
- All knowledge is socially constructed (Dewey, 1938). The learning and the knowledge Construction has its own cultural and social background of the learner where he/she livesor in other words the environment is an important factor that contributes the knowledge construction.
- All knowledge is personal (Fox, 2001). Learning can't be generalized as it is a matter of individualistic efforts. Also the level of attention, observation, absorption, understanding and interpretation may differ from person to person.
- Learning exists in the mind (Driscoll, 2000). The knowledge can exist within the human mind and the learners are continuously trying to build their own mental model of the world based on their perception.

# **REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE**

Yu, T and et.al (2021)analysed 1526 works from the literature on disaster risk perception from 2000 to 2020 in the Web of Science core collection database as the research subject. The CiteSpace knowledge graph analysis tool was used to visual analyze the country, author, institution, discipline distribution, keywords, and keyword clustering mapping. The paper drew the following conclusions. Firstly, disaster risk perception research has experienced three stages of steady development, undulating growth, and rapid growth. Secondly, the field of disaster risk perception was mainly concentrated in the disciplines of engineering, natural science, and management science. Thirdly, meteorological disasters, earthquakes, nuclear radiation, and epidemics were the main disasters in the field of disaster risk perception. Residents and adolescents were the main subjects of research in the field of disaster risk perception. Fourthly, research on human

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risk behavior and risk psychology and research on disaster risk control and emergency management were two major research hotspots in the field of disaster risk perception. Finally, the research field of disaster risk perception is constantly expanding. There is a trend from theory to application and multi-perspective combination, and future research on disaster risk perception will be presented more systematically. The conclusion can provide a reference for disaster risk perception research, as well as directions for future research.

Raja Thangiah and et.al (2021) have studied the research productivity in the field of Assistive Technology from 2011 to 2020 from SCOPUS database. The results revealed that, out of 948 publications from 448 sources, 576 publications in journals, and 2925 authors and contributors. More than twenty countries and twenty affiliations collaborated there in this research productivity in Assistive Technology with 3.45 collaborative indexes. Research on developmental disabilities was the best source and Lancioni GE was the best author in assistive technologies. Out of 948 articles PLOOG BO, 2013 was the number one article and got more citations.

### **OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY**

The main objectives framed for the present study were:

- To identify the most cited sources
- To find out the most frequently used words in the research output on constructivism
- To identify the most cited papers in the research output on constructivism
- To analyze the H-Index of the author in the research output on constructivism
- To analyze the H-Index of the sources in the research output on constructivism
- To identify the most contributing affiliations in the research output on constructivism
- To identify the top source of publications in the of research output on constructivism

# **LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY**

- The study covers the research productivity in the area of constructivism from 2016 to 2020 only.
- The study covers the research productivity in the area of constructivism from open access sources in the Scopus database.

# **RESEARCH METHODOLOGY OF THE STUDY**

There are various sources contributing to the research productivity in the field of constructivism in the open access sources. The necessary date was collected from Scopus database from 2016 to 2020. A total of 988 documents were downloaded and analyzed by using the R programming as per the objectives of the study.

# **MAJOR FINDINGS OF THE STUDY**

Description	Results		
Main Information About Data			
Timespan	2016:2020		
Sources (Journals, Books, etc)	640		
Documents	988		
Average years from publication	2.72		
Average citations per documents	3.338		
Average citations per year per doc	0.8068		
References	46588		
Document Types			
Article	753		
Book	2		
Book Chapter	19		
Conference Paper	99		
Editorial	9		
Letter	1		
Note	11		
Review	93		
Short Survey	1		
Document Contents			
Keywords Plus (ID)	1858		
Author's Keywords (DE)	3418		
Authors			
Authors	2004		
Author Appearances	2099		
Authors of single-authored documents	451		
Authors of multi-authored documents	1553		
Authors Collaboration			
Single-authored documents	470		
Documents per Author	0.493		
Authors per Document	2.03		
Co-Authors per Documents	2.12		
Collaboration Index	3		

Table 1. Main Information about the Data

Table 1 discovered the sources in the mentioned period from 2016 to 2020. Overall 988 documents from 640 different types of sources includes article, book chapter, books, conference paper, editorial, letter, note, review and short survey in open access sources

of Scopus database. The documents covered 1858 keywords and 3418 author keywords. Out of 988 documents 451 papers written by single authors and 1553 papers by multi authors.

Sources	Article	
International Organization	260	
European Journal Of International Relations	187	
Computers & Education	137	
International Journal of Science Education	96	
International Studies Quarterly	91	
Journal of European Public Policy	89	
Science	89	
Chem Educ	82	
Educational Psychologist	80	
Review of International Studies	79	
Journal of Educational Psychology	73	

Table 2. Most Published Sources

Table 2 revealed that out of the 988 documents, 260 articles were published in Journal of International Organization, followed by European Journal of International Relations had 187, Computers and Education had 137, International Journal of Science Education had 96, International Studies Quarterly had 91, Journal of European Public Policy and Science had 89, Journal of Chemistry Education had 82, Educational Psychologisthad 80, Review of International Studies had 79, Journal of Educational Psychology had 73, Educational Researcher and International Security had 73 and other sources having below 60 publications.

Words	Occurrences
Human	83
Students	67
Female	52
Humans	52
Male	50
Education	46
Teaching	46
Article	42
Adult	39
Learning	38
qualitative research	32
education computing	27
constructivism	24
e-learning	24

**Table 3. Most Frequent Words** 

Table 3 explored that out of 1858 keywords, the word Human was used in 83 times, followed by students had 67, Female had 52, Humans had 52, Male had 50, Education and Teaching had 46, Article had 42, Adult had 39, Learning had 38, qualitative research had 32, Educational Computing had 27, Constructivism and e-learning had 24 times used in the documents.

Paper	DOI	Total Citations	TC per Year	Normalized TC
Greenhow C, 2016, Learn Media Technol	10.1080/17439884.201 5.1064954	175	29.167	23.939
Deslauriers L, 2019, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA	10.1073/pnas.1821936116	124	41.333	40.407
Kokotsaki D, 2016, Improv SCH	10.1177/1365480216659733	116	19.333	15.868
Kukulska-hulme A, 2018, Br J Educ Technol	10.1111/bjet.12580	70	17.5	22.376
Zeitlin J, 2018, J Eur Public Policy	10.1080/13501763.2017.136326	69 67	16.75	21.417
Solomon T, 2017, Eur J Int Relat	10.1177/1354066116634442	64	12.8	13.603
Kendler Ks, 2016, World Psychiatry	10.1002/wps.20292	53	8.833	7.25
Feklyunina V, 2016, Eur J Int Relat	10.1177/1354066115601200	44	7.333	6.019
Hay C, 2016, New Polit Econ	10.1080/13563467.2016.115880	00 43	7.167	5.882
Harrison Cj, 2016, Perspect Med Educ	10.1007/s40037-016-0297-x	34	5.667	4.651
Dennick R, 2016, Int J Med Educ	10.5116/ijme.5763.de11	31	5.167	4.241
Kay D, 2016, Adv Physiol Educ	10.1152/advan.00132.2015	31	5.167	4.241

## Table 4. Most Citations of the Documents

Table 4 shows that, among the 988 documents, Greenhow (2016) article got 175 citations, followed by Deslauriers (2019) got 124, Kokotsaki (2016) got 116, Kukulska-Hulme got 70, Zeitlin (2018) got 67, Solomon (2017) got 64, Kendler (2016) got 53, Feklyunina (2016) got 44, Hay (2016) got 43, Harrison (2016) got 34, Dennick and Kay (2016) got 31 each respectively.

Affiliations	Articles	
University of California	13	
Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia	11	
University of Cambridge	11	
University of the Free State	11	
Utrecht University	11	
Universiti Teknologi Malaysia	9	
University of Kwazulu-natal	9	
National University of Ireland	8	
University of South Africa	8	
Aarhus University	7	
National University of Singapore	7	
Universitas Indonesia	7	
Universitas Negeri Padang	7	

#### Table 5. Most Affiliations of the Documents

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Table 5 revealed that out of 988 articles were published in the year 2016 to 2020 under various affiliated institutional contributions. This table found out top ten affiliations with their articles contributions. University of California contributed 13 articles followed by University of Pendidikan Indonesia, University of Cambridge. University of the Free State and Utrecht University had 11, University Teknologi Malaysia and University of Kwazulu-Natal had 9, National University of Ireland and University of South Africa had 8, Aarhus University, National University of Singapore, Universities Indonesia, and Universities Negeri Padang had 7 articles respectively.

Source	h_index	g_inde	ex m_index	ТС	NP	PY_start
Journal Of Physics: Conference Series	3	3	0.75	23	36	2018
Universal Journal of Educational Research	2	4	0.5	24	11	2018
Eurasia Journal of Mathematics, Science and Technology Education	5	8	0.833333333	71	10	2016
International Journal of Emerging Technologies in Learning	3	5	0.5	34	10	2016
IOP Conference Series: Materials Science and Engineering	2	2	0.4	11	10	2017
Sustainability (Switzerland)	4	7	0.8	51	10	2017
E3S Web of Conferences	1	1	0.25	3	9	2018
Education Sciences	3	5	0.6	26	9	2017
Polis (Russian Federation)	1	1	0.2	4	9	2017
Journal of Chemical Education	3	5	0.5	30	8	2016
Synthese	3	3	0.5	16	7	2016
European Journal of International Relations	5	6	0.833333333	144	6	2016

Table 6. Source Impacts of the Documents

Table 6 analyzed that, overall 988 documents published in the 640 sources and out of theseJournal of Physics: Conference Series, Education Sciences, Journal of Chemical Education and International Journal of Emerging Technologies in Learning, and Journal of Chemical Education got 3 h-index, followed by Universal Journal of Educational Research and IOP Conference Series: Materials Science and Engineering got 2, Eurasia Journal of Mathematics, Science and Technology Education and European Journal of International Relations got 5, E3S Web of Conferences and Polis (Russian Federation)got 1 h-index each respectively.

### CONCLUSION

Constructivism is a constructive and promising area of research, which include philosophical, sociological, psychological, humanitarian, and all other disciplinary aspects. The analysis of the research productivity on constructivism revealed a gradual hike in the number of publications. The present analysis revealed that human was the most mentioned keyword (83 times) in the documents, which clearly proclaimed the affiliation of the research on constructivism with the mankind. Because of its worthiness in the current context, the authors are recommending to enhance the number of similar studies in all disciplines.

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