

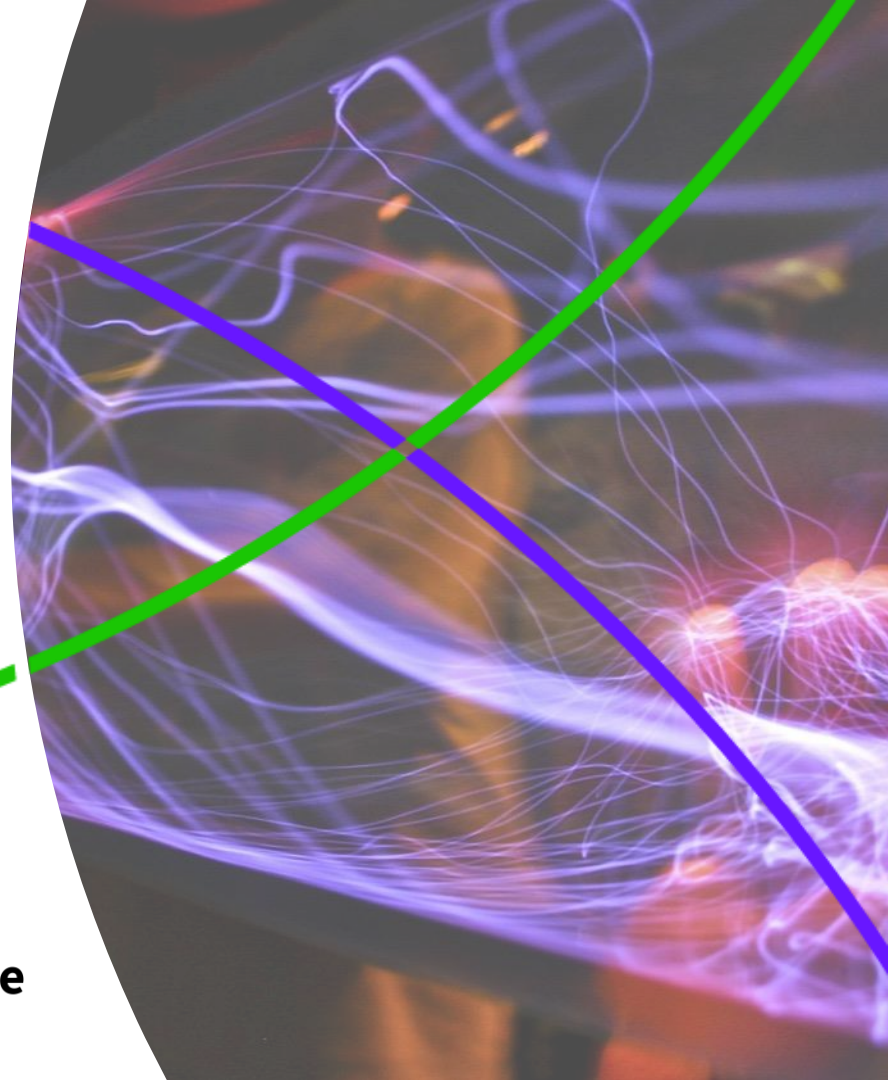
Research output of Armenia

Current state and trends

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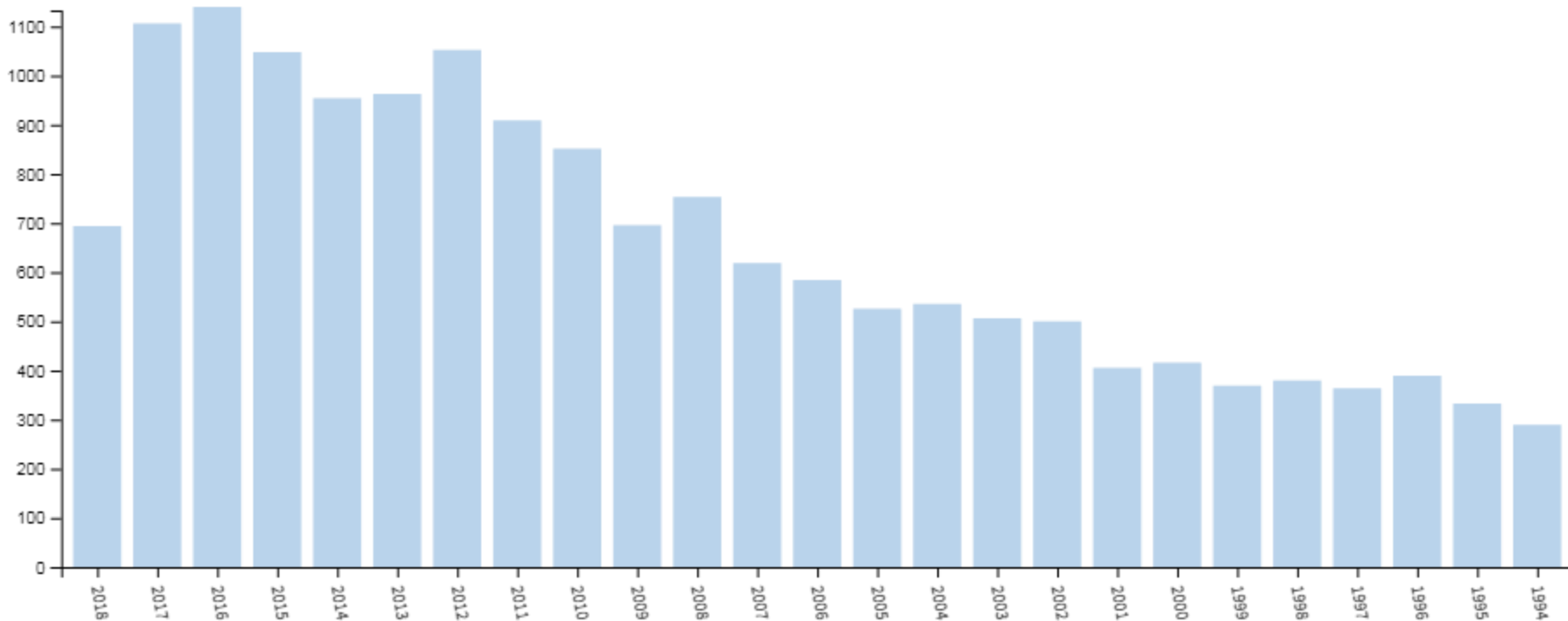
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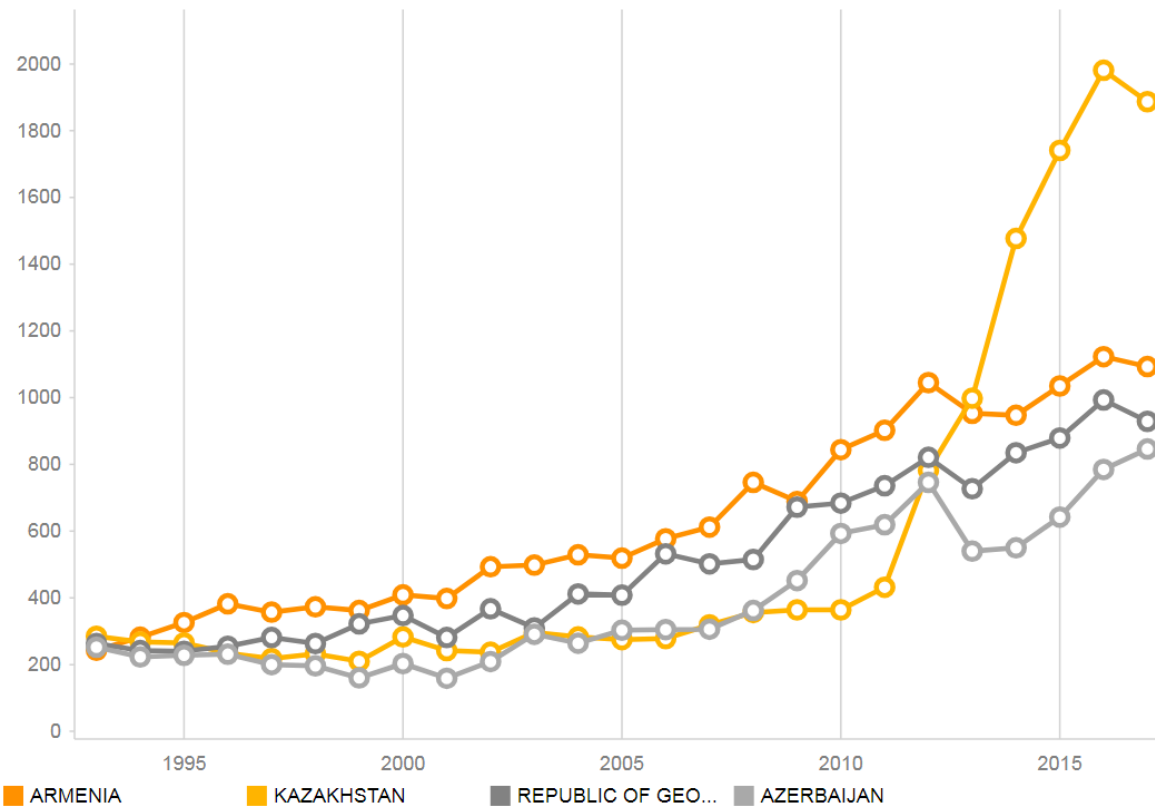
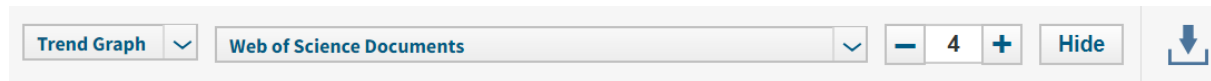
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Armenian research output dynamics



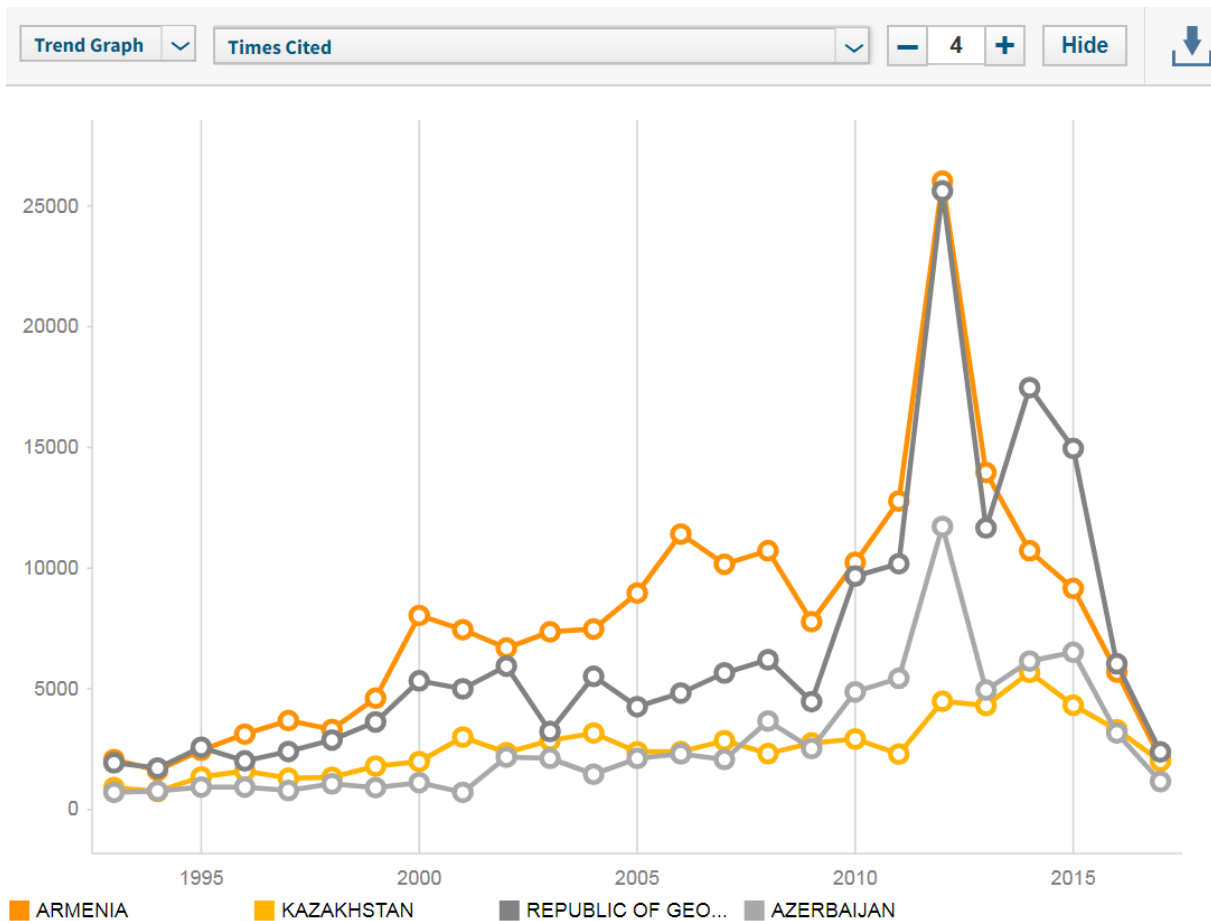
How does that fit into context?



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Can we compare citations for those countries?



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Category Normalized Citation Impact

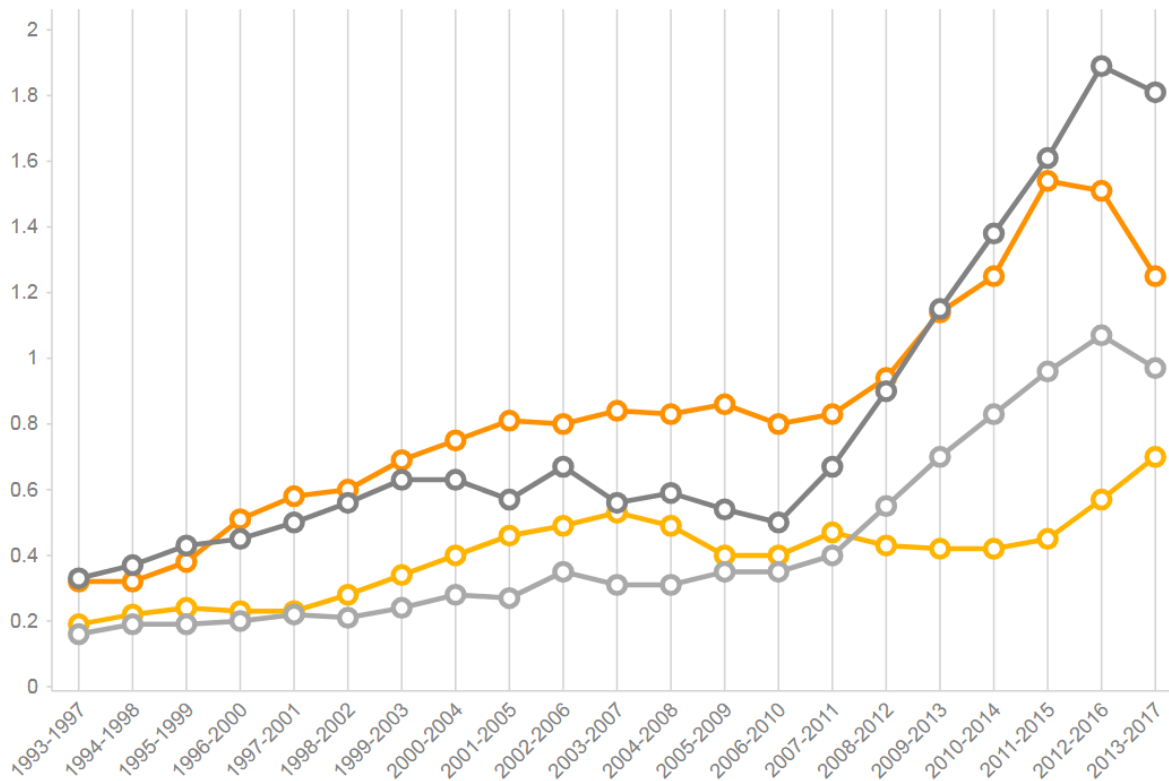
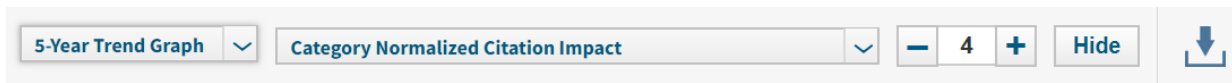
$$\text{CNCI}_{\text{paper}} = \frac{\text{Times cited}}{\text{Average citations for all documents of the same document type, published in the same year and in the same subject area}}$$

$$\text{NCI}_{\text{group of papers}} = \frac{\text{CNCI}_1 + \text{CNCI}_2 + \dots + \text{CNCI}_N}{N}$$

$\text{CNCI}_{\text{paper}} > 1$: it is cited above global average (above expected level)

$\text{CNCI}_{\text{paper}} < 1$: it is cited below global average – or below expected level

So, how do the values for Category Normalized Citation Impact compare for those countries?

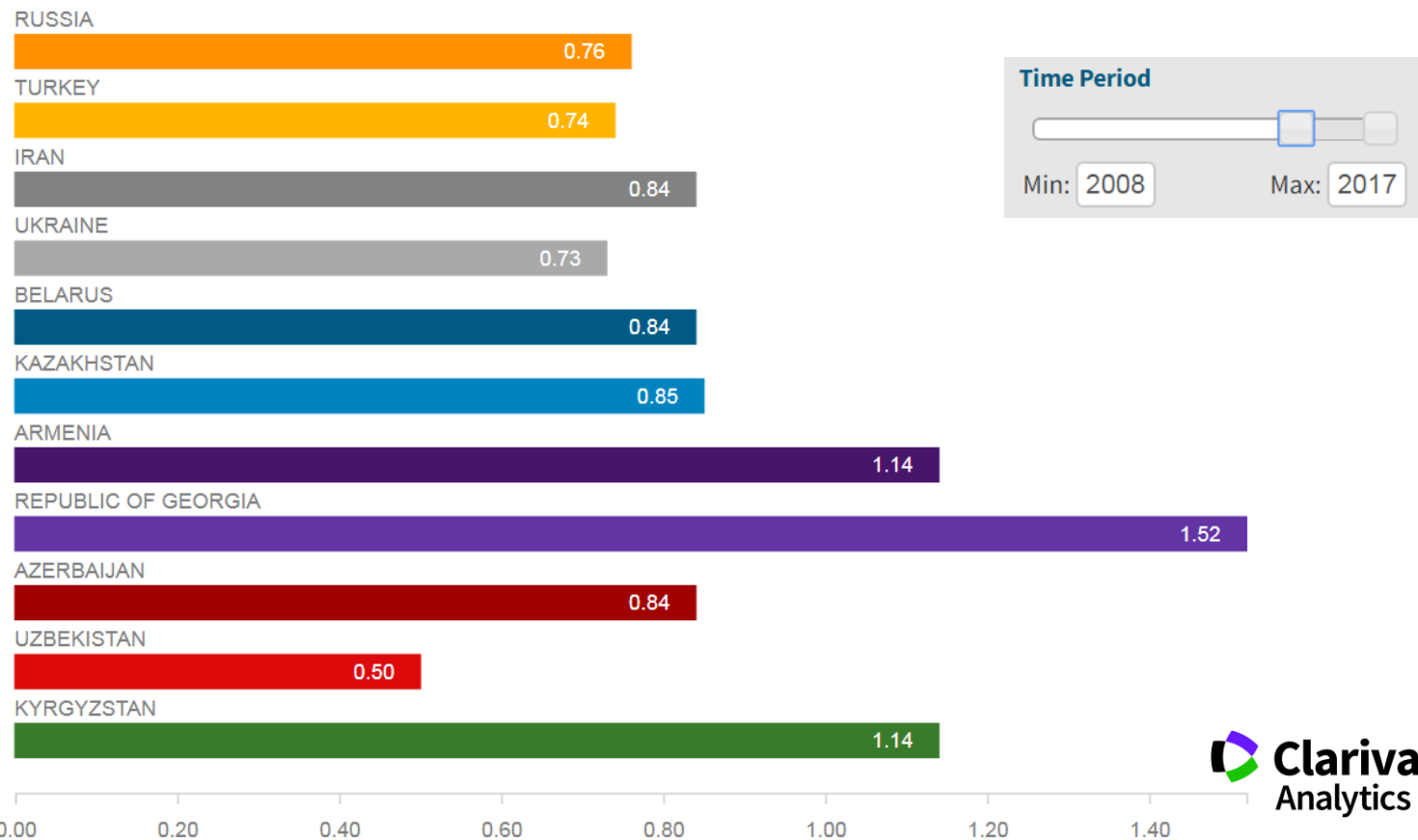


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Let's compare the Category Normalized Citation Impact for a wider group of neighbor countries for the most recent 10 year period

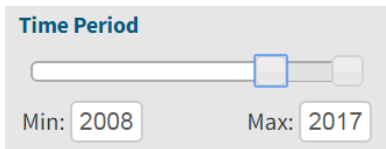
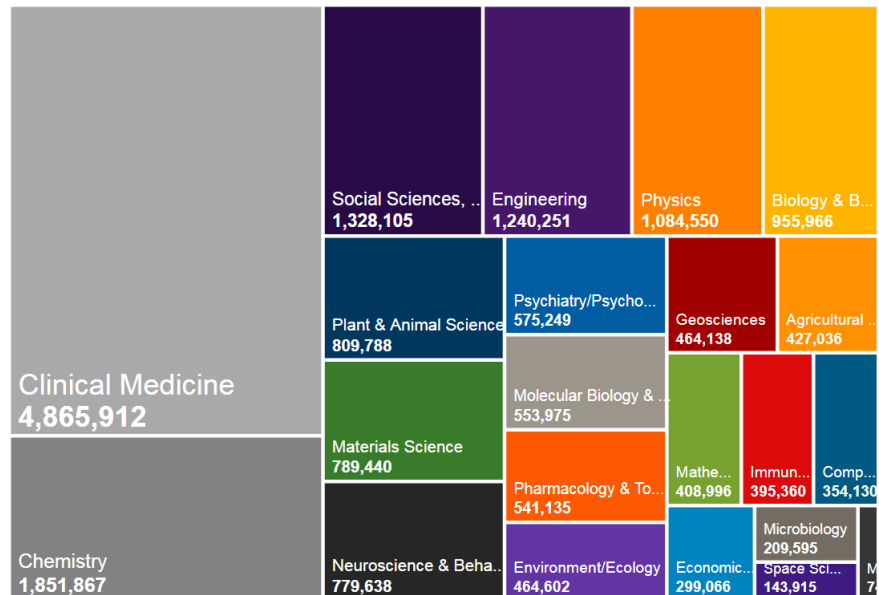


Top 10 research areas for Armenia for the most recent 10 year period

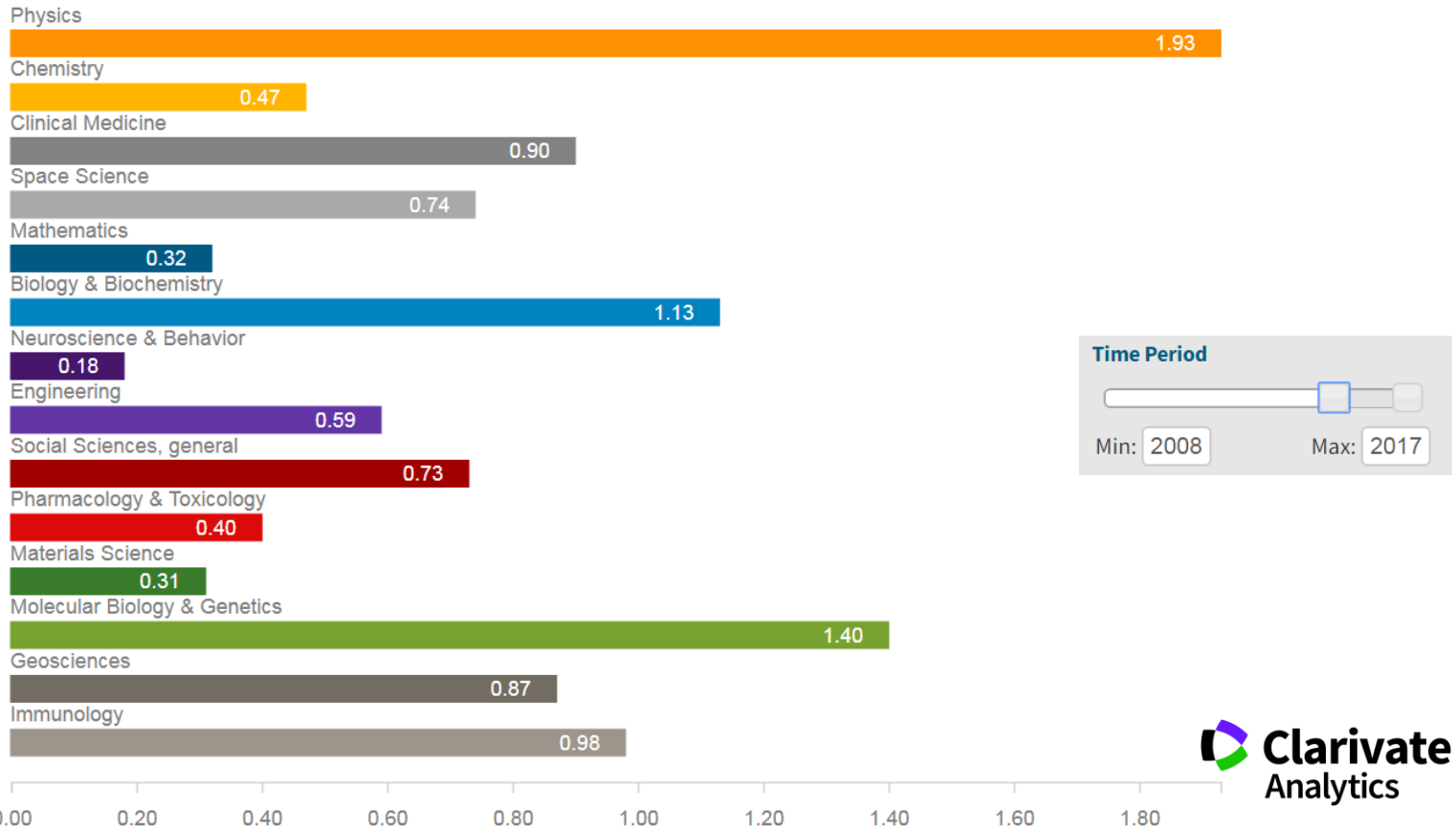
Armenia



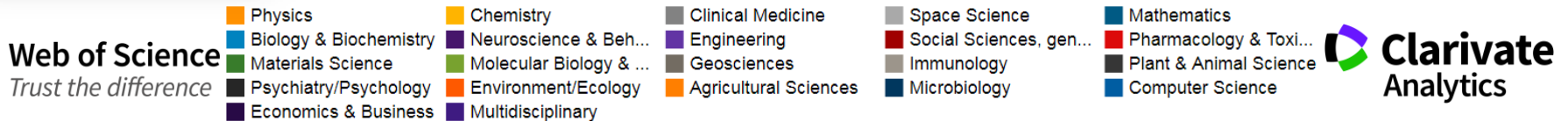
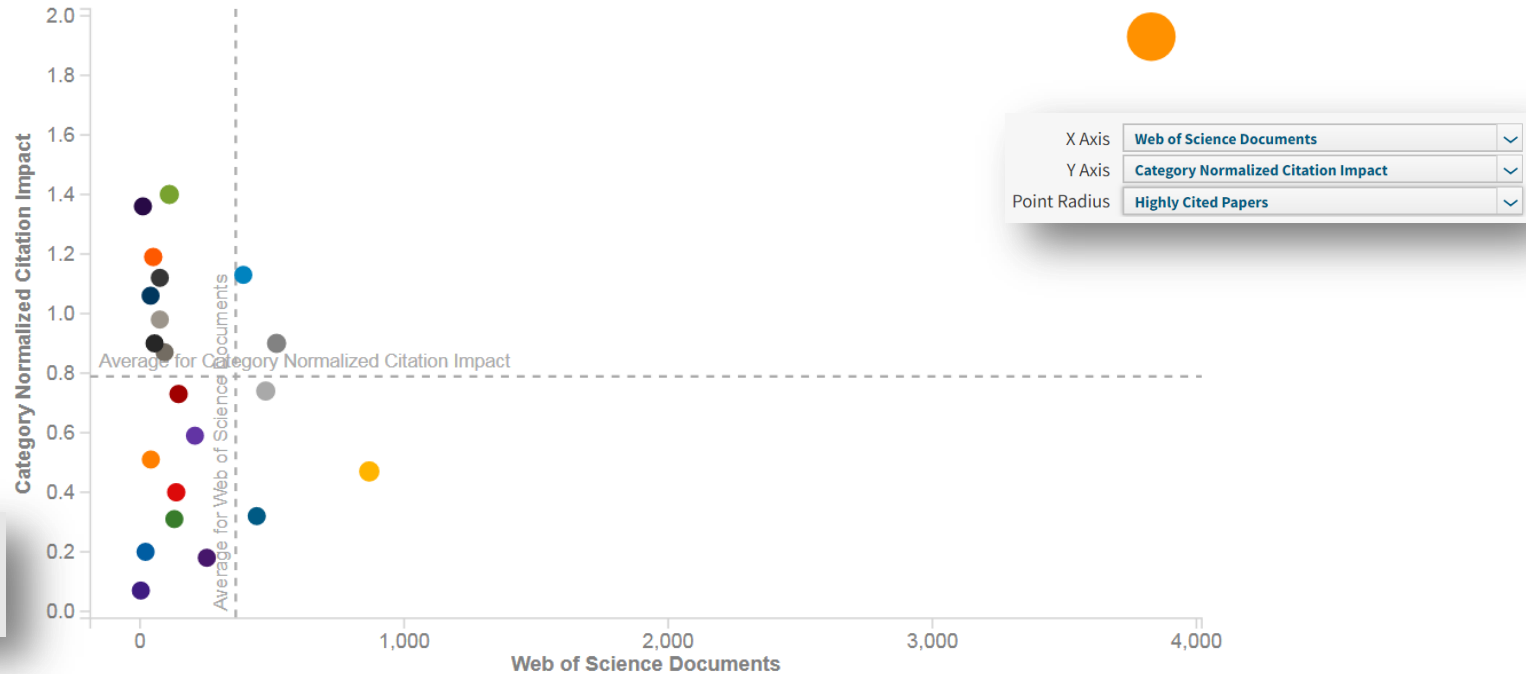
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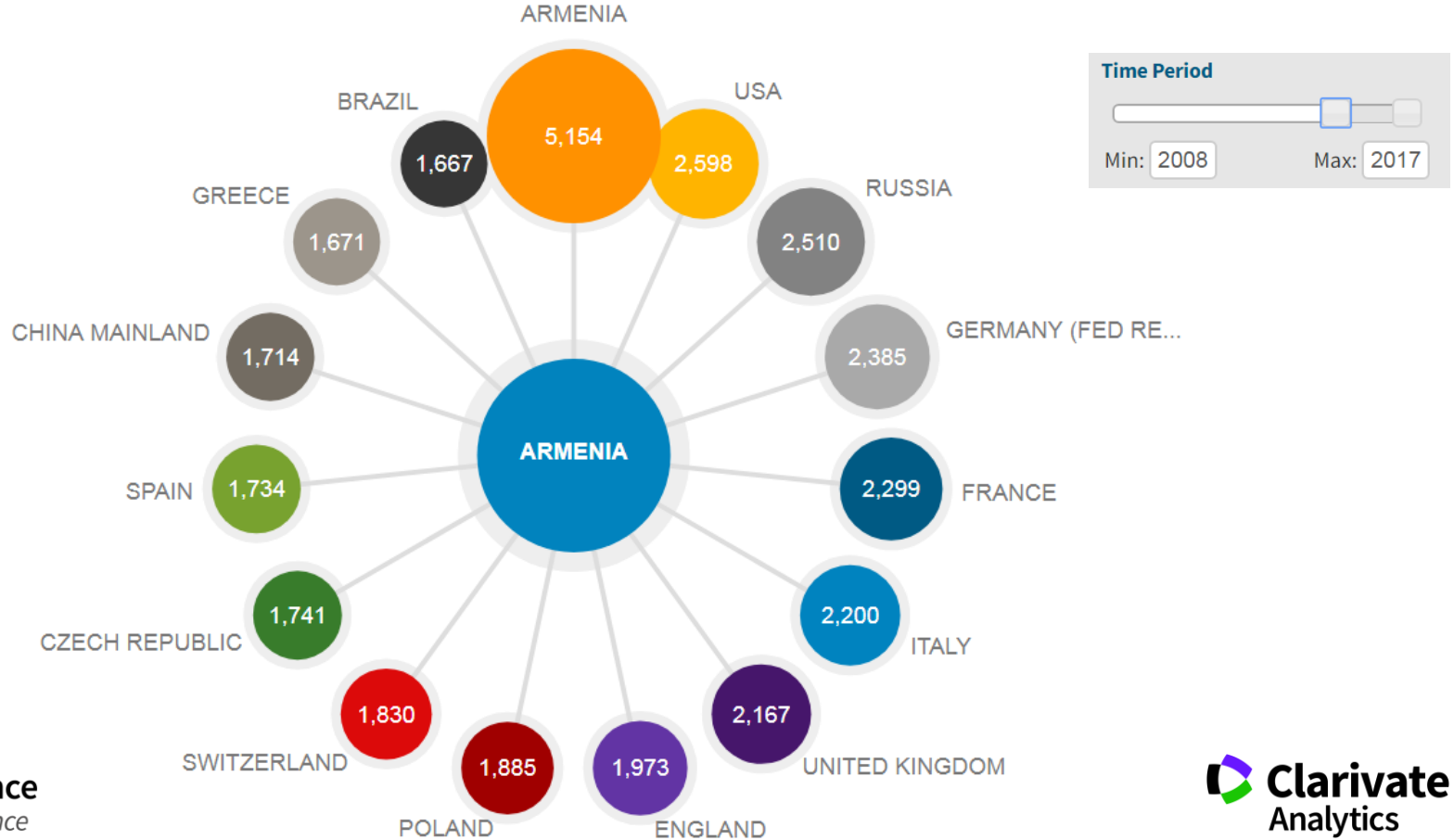
How do these subject areas in Armenia compare by Category Normalized Citation Impact?



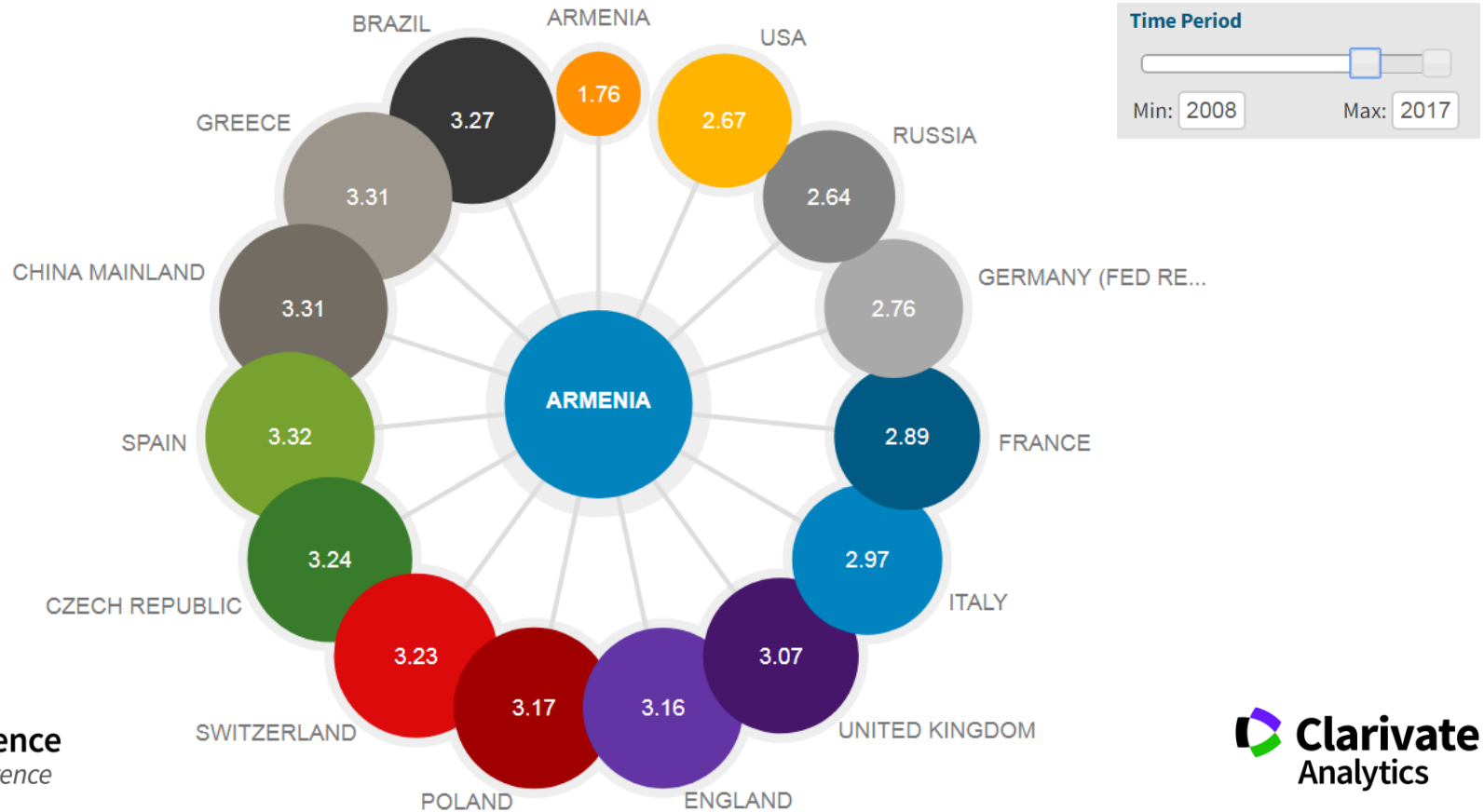
Another way to visualize this data: which areas are our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats?



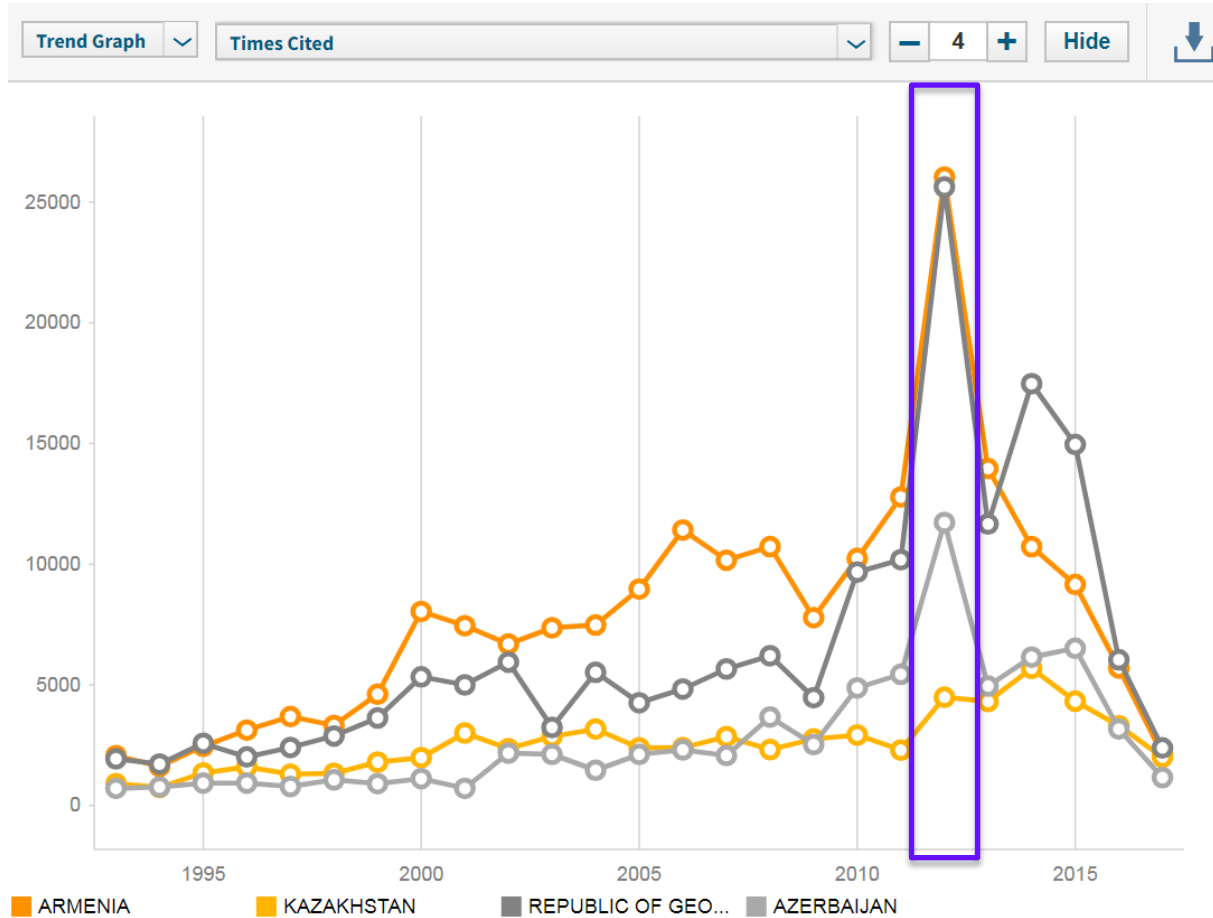
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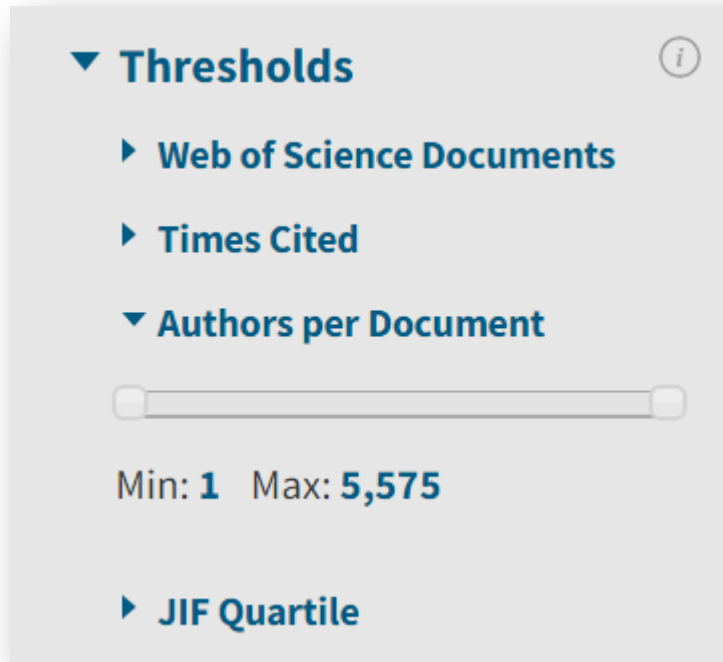


Remember this citation spike in 2012? That's the year of the most intensive LHC results publications



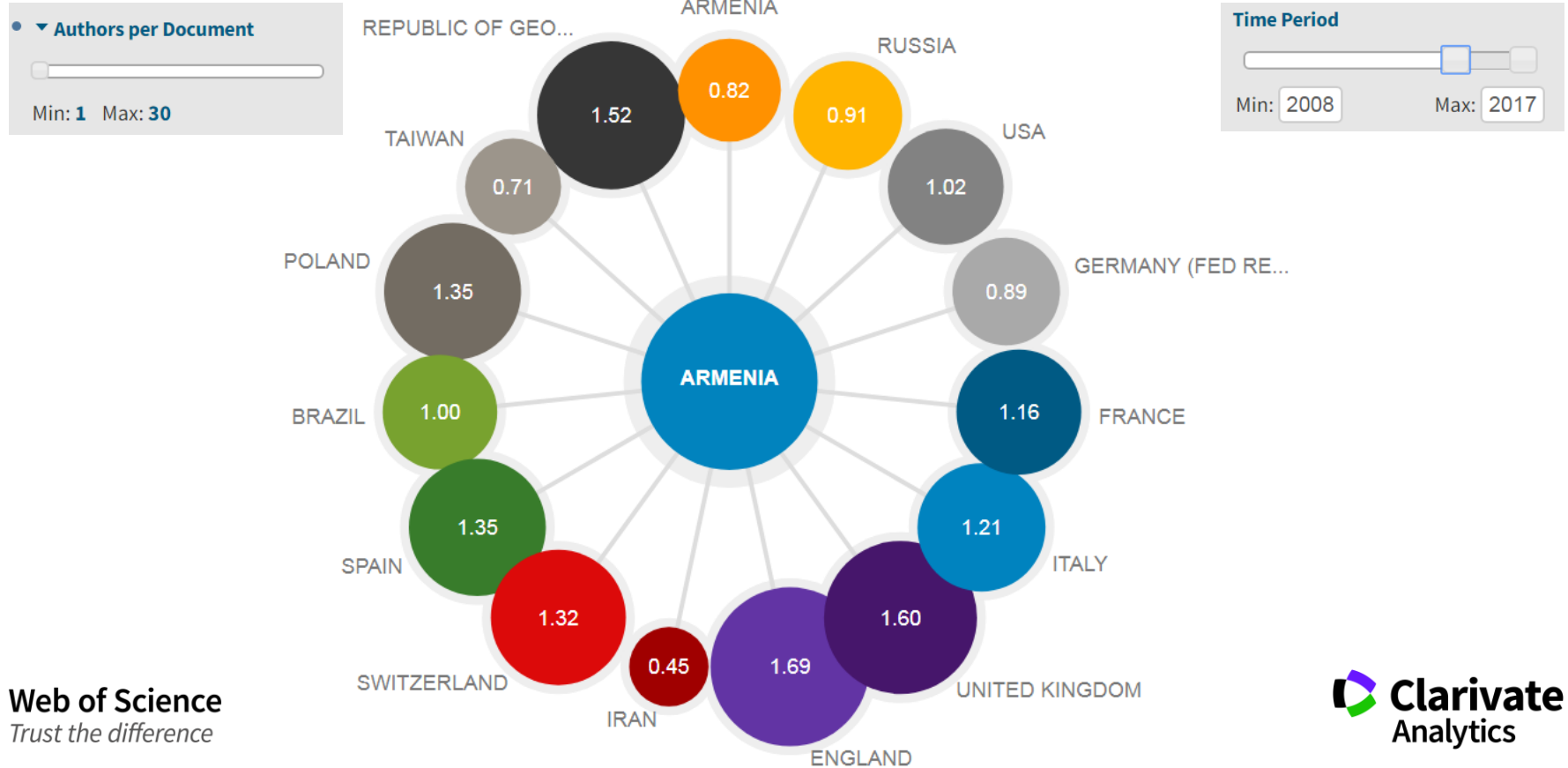
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Since last year, there is an option to set thresholds for the records in InCites

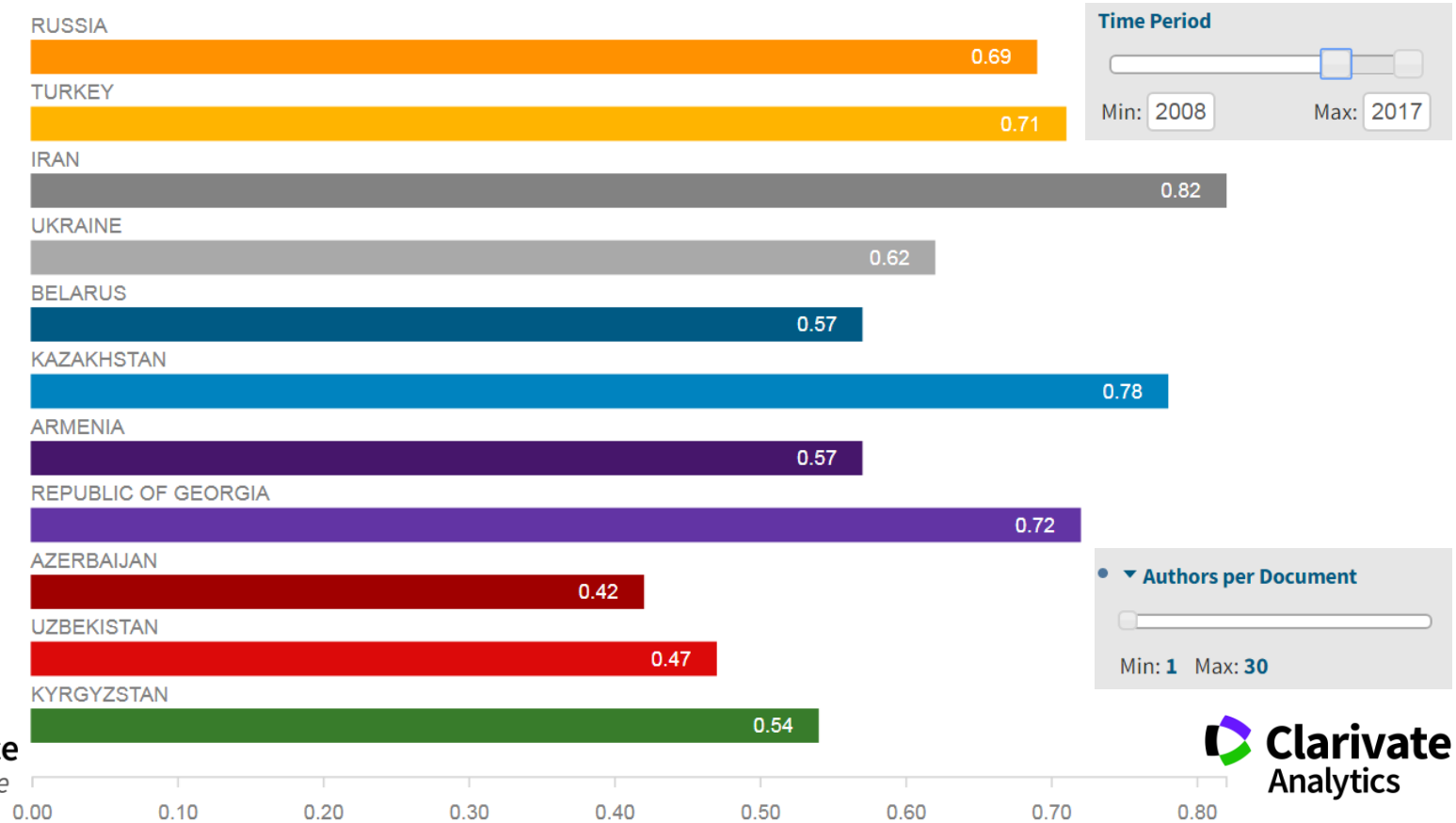


A generally accepted level that defines a “large collaboration” in bibliometrics is 30 authors per document

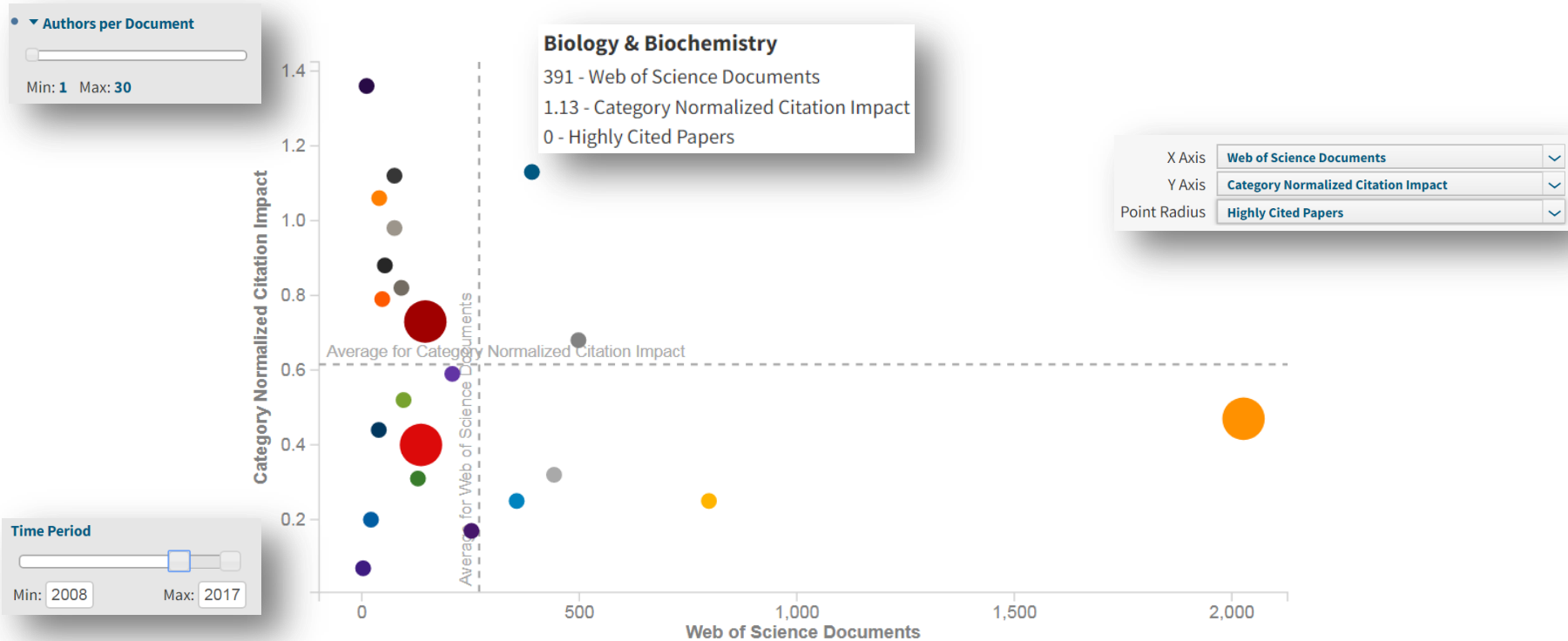
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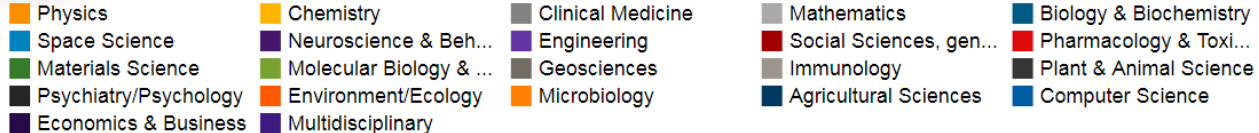
How do the neighboring countries relate in terms of Category Normalized Citation Impact then?



Which are our true strengths then?



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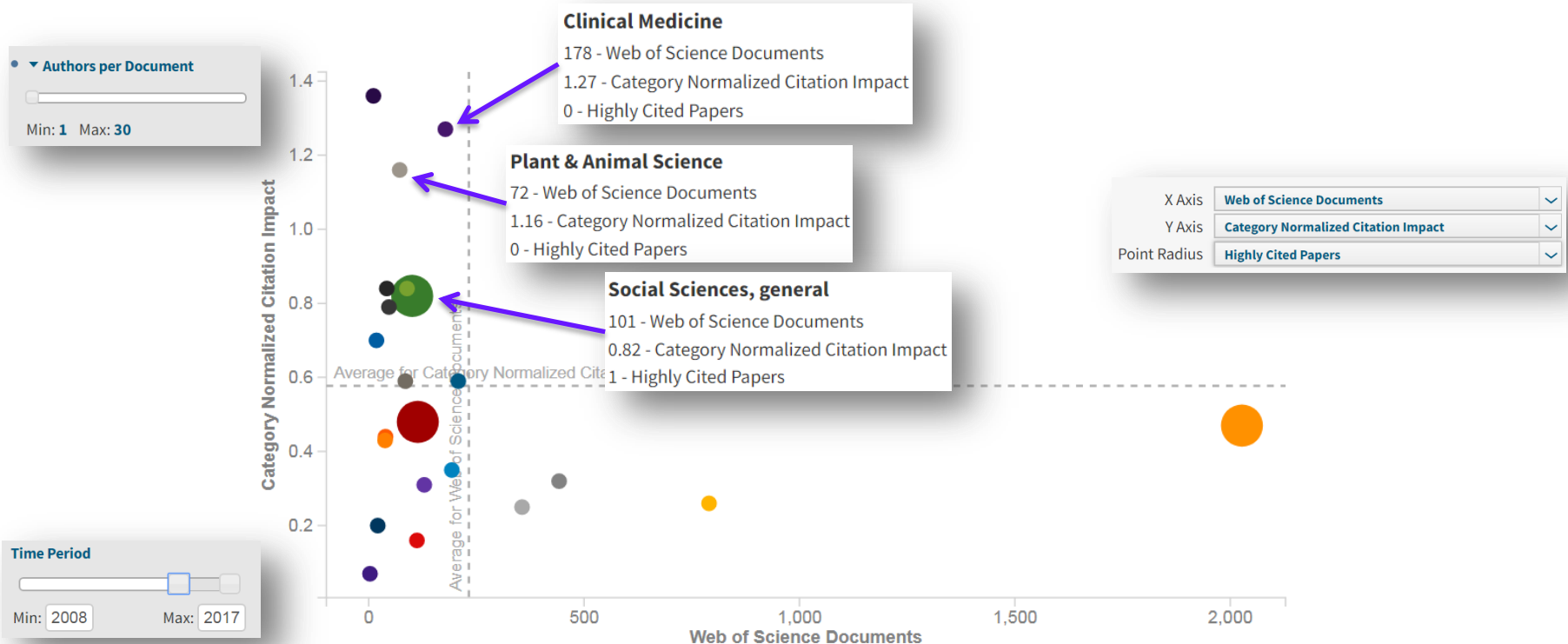
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Are we doing really well in Biology & Biochemistry?

Article Title	Authors	Source	Research Area	Volume	Issue	Pages	Publication Date	Times Cited	Journal Expected Citations	Category Expected Citations	Journal Normalized Citation Impact	Category Normalized Citation Impact ▾	Percentile in Subject Area	Journal Impact Factor
Arginase and NO-synthase are target enzymes in breast anticancer therapy	Avtandilyan, N.; Trchounian, A.	FEBS JOURNAL	Biology & Biochemistry	284		256-256	2017	1	0	0.01	612.5	78.79	1.2	4.53
Characterization and differentiation of binding modes of water-soluble porphyrins at complexation with DNA	Barkhudaryan, Vigen G.; Ananyan, Gayane V.; Dalyan, Yeva B.	JOURNAL OF BIOMOLECULAR STRUCTURE & DYNAMICS	Biology & Biochemistry	31		55-55	2013	4	0.29	0.07	13.97	58.93	0.18	3.11
Application of viscometric methods for studying the interaction of various porphyrins with DNA	Barkhudaryan, Vigen G.; Ananyan, Gayane V.	JOURNAL OF BIOMOLECULAR STRUCTURE & DYNAMICS	Biology & Biochemistry	33		88-88	2015	3	0.66	0.06	4.56	50.25	0.18	3.11
GMPC model and the helix-coil transition in biopolymers	Morozov, V. F.; Tonoyan, Sh. A.; Melkonyan, L. V.; Poghosyan, N. L.; Sargsyan, Sh. A.	JOURNAL OF BIOMOLECULAR STRUCTURE & DYNAMICS	Biology & Biochemistry	31		110-110	2013	3	0.29	0.07	10.48	44.2	0.39	3.11

All those papers are meeting abstracts, and the citations mostly come from the authors themselves
It doesn't mean the papers are not good – it means the results have to be interpreted with caution

What's remaining if we remove meeting abstracts together with large collaborations?



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- Physics
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Space Science
- Engineering
- Biology & Biochemistry
- Clinical Medicine
- Materials Science
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- Social Sciences, gen...
- Geosciences
- Molecular Biology & ...
- Plant & Animal Science
- Environment/Ecology
- Immunology
- Agricultural Sciences
- Microbiology
- Computer Science
- Psychiatry/Psychology
- Economics & Business
- Multidisciplinary



- ▼ Authors per Document

Min: 1 Max: 30

Time Period

Min: 2008 Max: 2017

Name	Rank	▼ Web of Science Documents	Category Normalized Citation Impact
		<small>(i)</small>	<small>(i)</small>
Physics	1	2,027	0.47
Chemistry	2	798	0.25
Clinical Medicine	3	498	0.68
Mathematics	4	442	0.32
Biology & Biochemistry	5	391	1.13
Space Science	6	356	0.25
Neuroscience & Behavior	7	252	0.17
Engineering	8	208	0.59

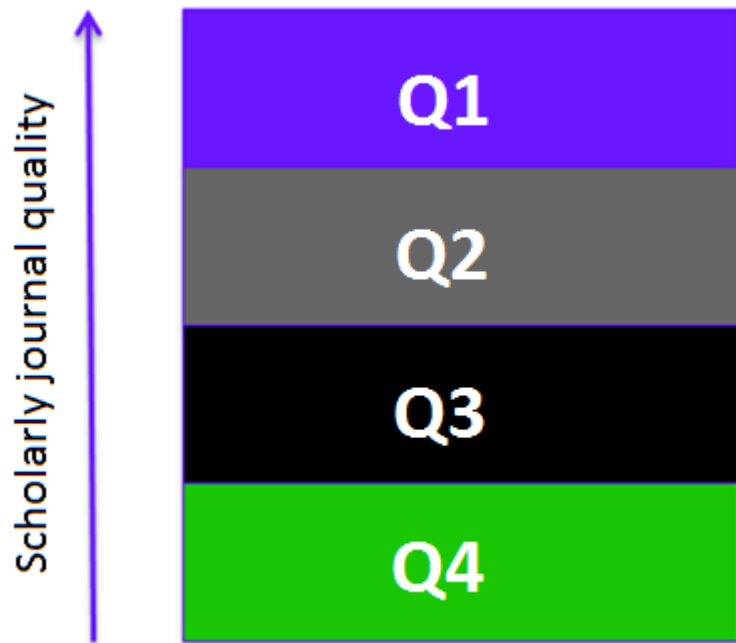
How well are our papers on mathematics cited in the journals we prefer to publish in?

Name	Rank	▼ Web of Science Documents	Category Normalized Citation Impact	Journal Impact Factor
JOURNAL OF CONTEMPORARY MATHEMATICAL ANALYSIS-ARMENIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES	1	188	0.16	0.242
MATHEMATICAL NOTES	2	25	0.45	0.577
DISCRETE MATHEMATICS	3	15	0.72	0.738
IZVESTIYA MATHEMATICS	4	13	0.7	0.923
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS	5	12	0.13	0.674
SBORNIK MATHEMATICS	5	12	0.34	0.865
COMPUTATIONAL MATHEMATICS AND MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS	7	10	0.1	0.677
COMPLEX VARIABLES AND ELLIPTIC EQUATIONS	8	9	0.13	0.832

...and what about our papers on mathematics in top journals?

Name	Rank	Web of Science Documents	Category Normalized Citation Impact	▼ Journal Impact Factor
		<i>i</i>	<i>i</i>	<i>i</i>
NUMERISCHE MATHEMATIK	1	1	1.73	2.37
APPLIED MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTATION	2	3	2.16	2.3
COMPUTERS & MATHEMATICS WITH APPLICATIONS	3	1	1.32	1.86
IMA JOURNAL OF NUMERICAL ANALYSIS	4	1	0.45	1.837
ANALYSIS AND APPLICATIONS	5	1	0.11	1.787
MATHEMATICS OF COMPUTATION	6	1	4.32	1.75
FRACTALS-COMPLEX GEOMETRY PATTERNS AND SCALING IN NATURE AND SOCIETY	7	1	0.25	1.629
COMMUNICATIONS IN MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES	8	1	0.31	1.451

Important to know



- Journal Impact Factor value may differ greatly across the research areas
- But a quartile is a measure that works well across the areas: Q1 always contains the most prestigious journals regardless of the subject field

Journal Impact Factor is probably the most meaningful indicator of journal quality and impact. But it shouldn't be used to evaluate research output


At the same time, the situation in post-soviet countries makes it possible to use Journal Impact Factor as a compass to figure out where to publish your research results.

If you don't like the journal impact factors – consider how many people might read your paper



The image is a screenshot of a web page from the journal Nature. At the top, the journal's logo "nature" is displayed in a white serif font on a dark red background, with the tagline "International weekly journal of science" in a smaller white font below it. A navigation bar in the same dark red color contains links for "Home", "News & Comment", "Research", "Careers & Jobs", "Current Issue", "Archive", "Audio & Video", and "For Authors". Below this, a secondary navigation bar in a lighter red color shows "Archive", "Volume 492", "Issue 7428", "Editorial", and "Article". The main content area has a white background. On the left, it says "NATURE | EDITORIAL". On the right, there are icons for sharing, email, and printing. The article title is "Announcement: A new iPad app for *Nature* readers" in a large black font. Below the title is the date "12 December 2012". There are two buttons: "PDF" with a document icon and "Rights & Permissions" with a key icon. The first paragraph of the article text reads: "Many publishers hope that tablet renditions of newspapers and magazines will revive the fortunes of once-mighty but now financially stressed publications founded in print. *Nature's* fortunes over the years have been relatively positive. Its print circulation has declined since its peak in 2002, but not as markedly as those of many other publications. Meanwhile, the online readership of *Nature* is more than 3 million unique users every month, and growing significantly year on year."

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Conclusions and recommendations

1. Armenian research output **is growing**. But it is extremely important to **ensure** this growth is **sustainable**. 3 ways of doing that:
 1. Base your research on the most authoritative results
 2. Collaborate with top authors and organizations
 3. Publish your research in the most prestigious journals with large readership audiences
2. Armenia is **doing well** in Physics, has potential in Clinical Medicine, Plant & Animal Science, Social Sciences. It is worth thinking about how this success can be **developed further**
3. There are certain fields, like Chemistry, Mathematics, and Neuroscience & Behavior, where Armenian research is cited significantly **below global average**. In most cases this means that good research results are published in low-impact journals. Low-impact journals are not bad, but their small readership audiences might negatively affect the citations of your papers. We recommend to focus on **publishing in high-impact journals**.

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