# Charting multidimensional academic careers: How can repositories contribute?

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#### Reforming research assessment: the international perspective

Let's change what we value in research.





'Publish or perish' and metrics have led us into a blind alley. Let's start recognizing the full breadth of value created by researchers.

**Marc Schiltz** 

President of Science Europe

https://coara.eu/



The Leiden Manifesto for research metrics

Use these ten principles to guide research evaluation, urge Diana Hicks. Paul Wouters and colleagues.

https://sfdora.org/

Hicks, D., Wouters, P., Waltman, L. et al. Bibliometrics: The Leiden Manifesto for research metrics. Nature 520, 429-431 (2015). https://doi.org/10.1038/520429a



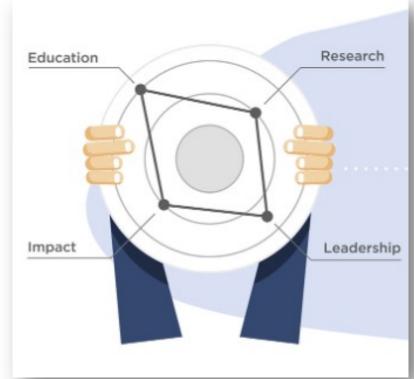
#### Reforming research assessment: the national perspective



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Td4SezvPbsU

#### Room for everyone's talent

towards a new balance in the recognition and rewards of academics



https://recognitionrewards.nl/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/position-paper-room-for-everyones-talent.pdf



#### Scholarly Orphans Project

#### Consideration:

- Researchers use a variety of web platforms for collaboration and communication
- Dedicated to scholarship and general purpose
- Their institutions are not aware of artifacts in general purpose portals
- Many artifacts not systematically archived

What to do about it? Institutions operate infrastructure to automatically:

- Track activities of researchers in web portals using portal APIs
- Use web archiving techniques to capture new artifacts researchers create in those portals
- Archive artifacts in cross-institutional web archive



# Experiment: myresearch.institute - Researchers

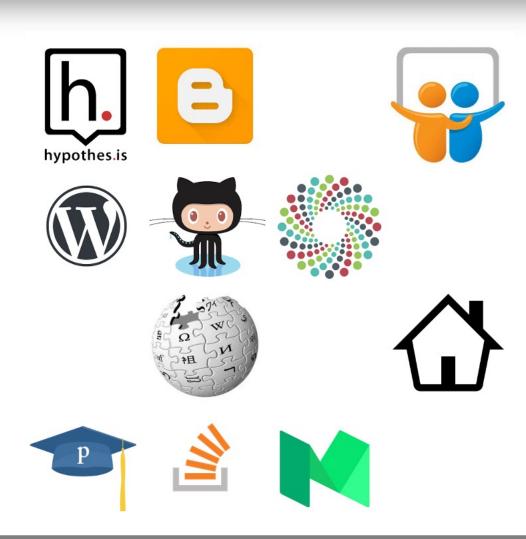
- 16 researchers
- Uniquely identified by ORCIDs
- Web identities in multiple portals
- Create various types of artifacts





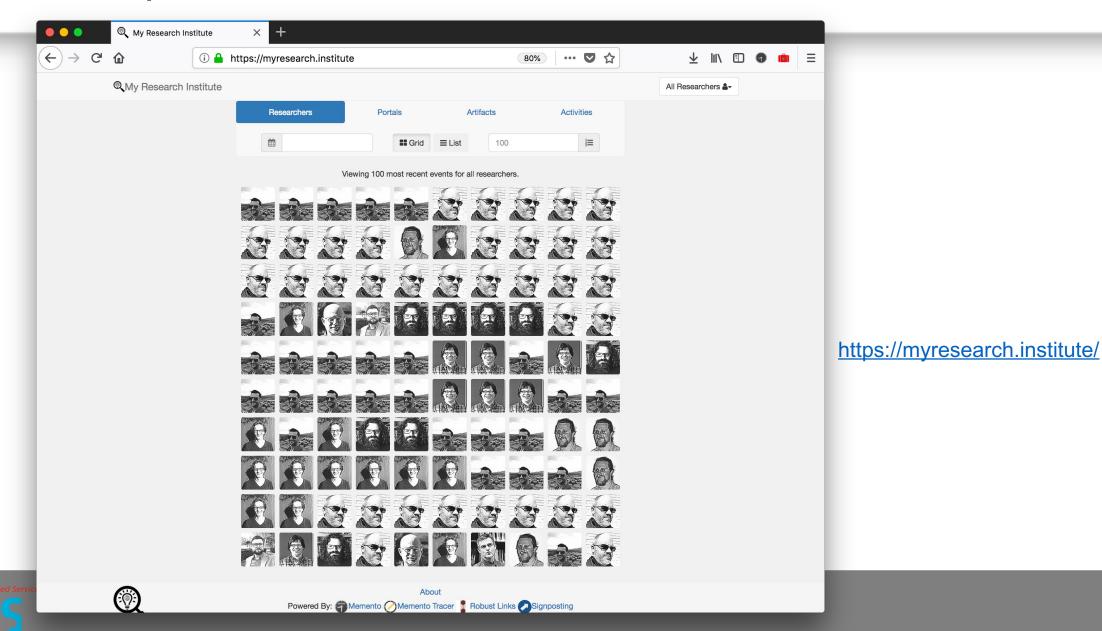
## Experiment: myresearch.institute - Portals

- 11 portals
- Tracking started August 2018
- Tracking ended March 2020





#### Experiment: myresearch.institute – Institutional Archive



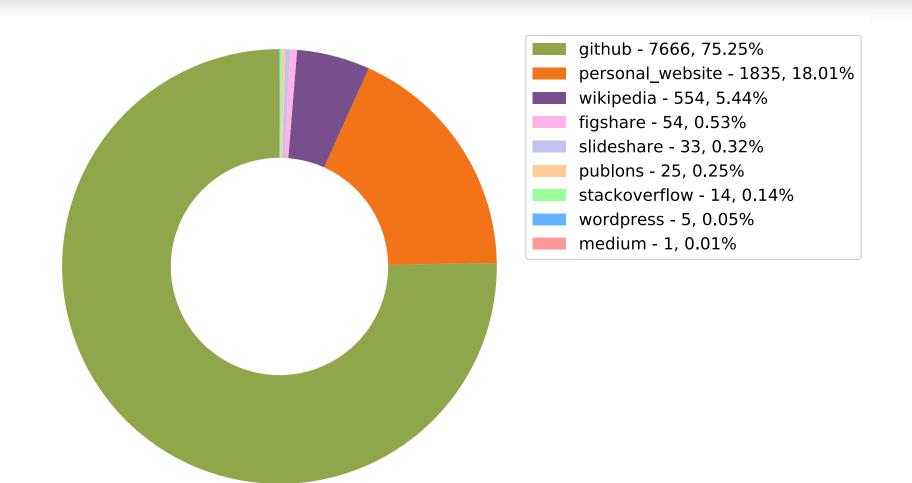
#### myresearch.institute - Statistics

- 10.187 unique artifacts tracked, captured and archived
- 61 Gb of WARC files
- 2.3 Gb of web archive index

- The project's focus was on archiving the artifacts.
- But it became clear that similar techniques could be used to obtain institutional and personal "profiles"

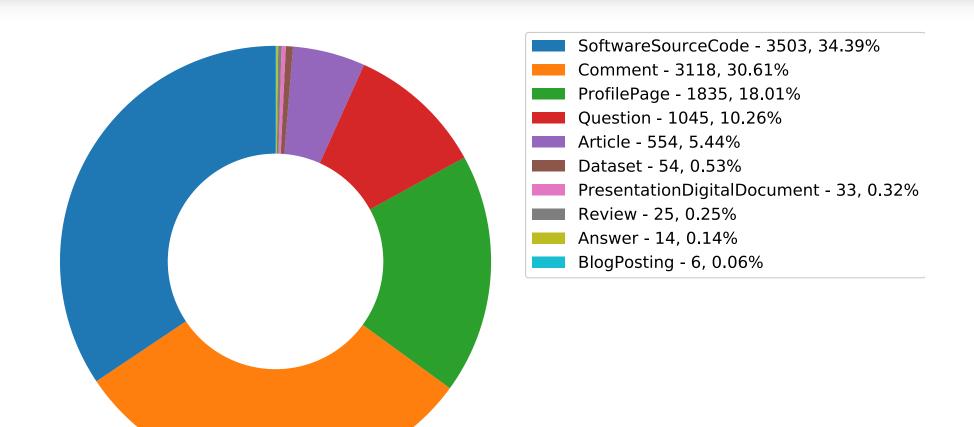


#### Portal distribution





#### Artifact distribution



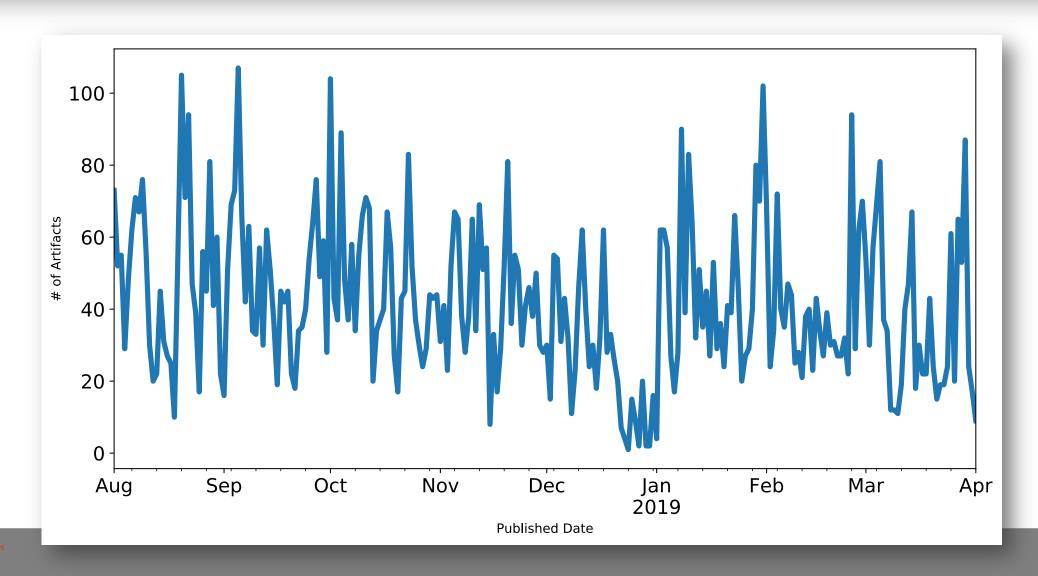


# Artifact frequency per portal





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#### Tracking artificats - Requirements

In order to track artifacts that were recently deposited by an institutional researcher in a portal, one reasonably needs:

- The web identity of the researcher in the portal
- A portal API that supports access by web identity

Portal API access by web identity is:

- Generally supported by general purpose portals
- Not supported by the scholarly portals used in the experiment



#### Repository survey

European Research Data Landscape: Key Findings and Recommendations

Visionary Analytics, DANS, DCC, EFIS Centre

A study contracted by European Commission DG RTD (2022)

Data and reports:

https://zenodo.org/communities/erdl21

Apollo Movebank **AUSSDA** Mendeley **ADS PANGAEA ADP** RDC **DataverseNO RADAR** SND DRI **DANS-EASY SURF TU Graz DARIAH-DE DIGITAL.CSIC UK PDC** DABAR **URV GESIS UKDA IFREMER-ISMER VI 17** Zenodo **ICOS INRAE ZBW ISSDA** 4TU.Researchdata

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Survey responses (n=31) 23% 77% repository responses non-responses

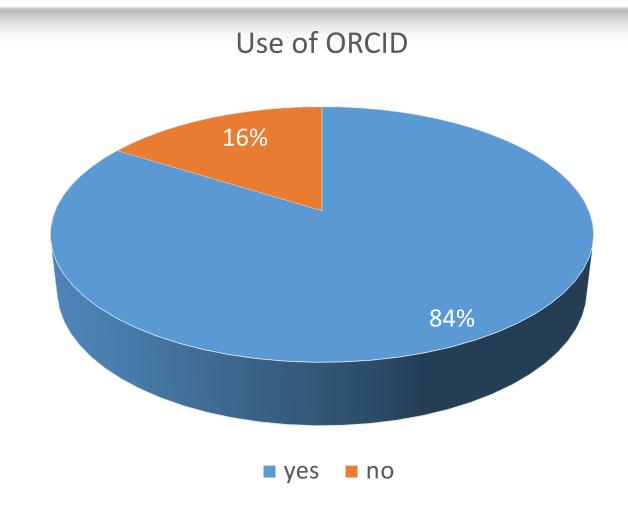


#### Three questions asked



- Does your repository ask for and present person identifiers to persistently identify depositors, data authors and/or contributors? If yes, which identifiers?
- Does the API of the repository support retrieving records on the basis of the person identifier(s) to enable for instance aggregators and portals to support searching for such identifiers? If yes, what is the API address?
- Does the repository also assign person identifiers in retrospect, that is relate them to datasets that the depositor has deposited before the introduction of the identifier(s) in your repository?

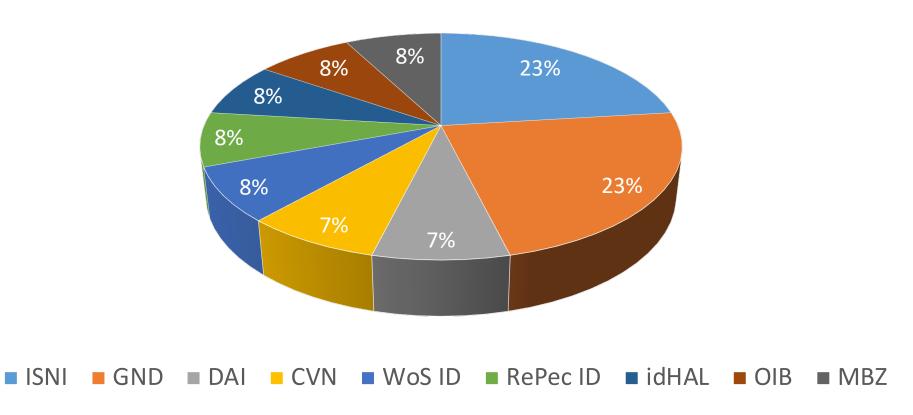
## The use of ORCID





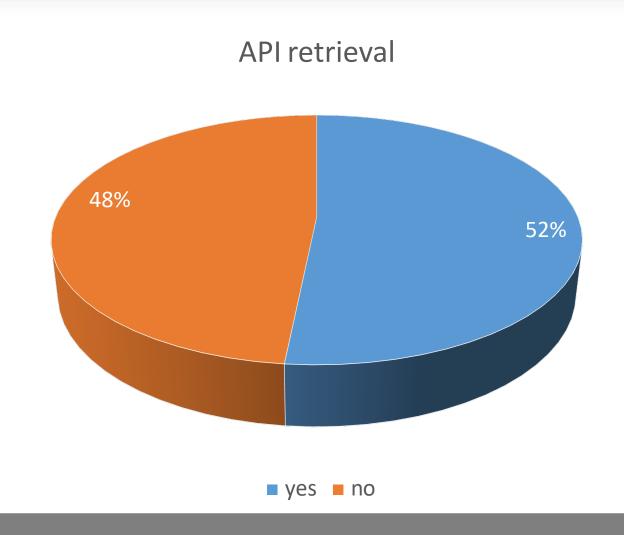
## Other person identifiers used





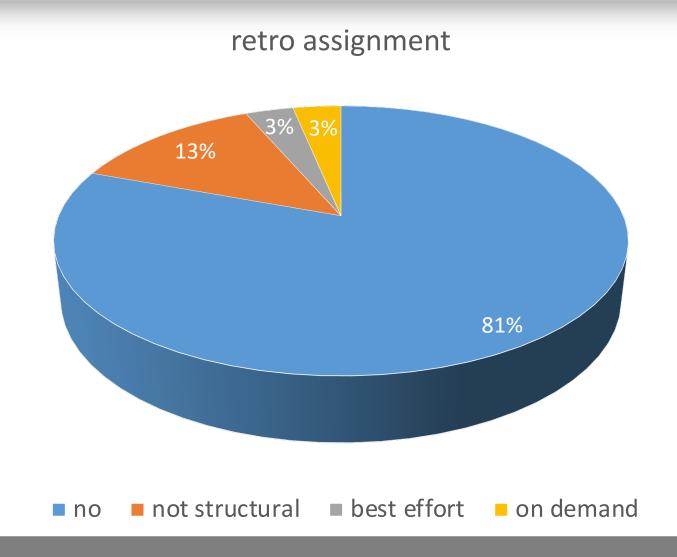


# API retrieval on the basis of person identifiers





## Assigning person identifiers in retrospect





#### Research assessment: how can repositories contribute?

"recognizing the full breadth of value created by researchers"

"adding criteria to valuing what researchers are doing" Charting multidimen sional academic careers

What can repositories contribute?
Facilitation of the tracking of digital objects deposited by an institutional researcher.

How can repositories contribute?

By supporting API-access by web identity (supporting ORCID as a key).



# Thank you for listening!



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