

# Open up for Open Science

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# **Introduction**

**in which everything goes wrong**

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# The mistake(s)

Herndon et al. (2014) (pdf here):

- Positive growth actually (corrected from -0.1% to 0.3%)
- Unconventional analysis methods, some countries omitted (GDP growth up to 2.2%)
- Correlation does not imply causation

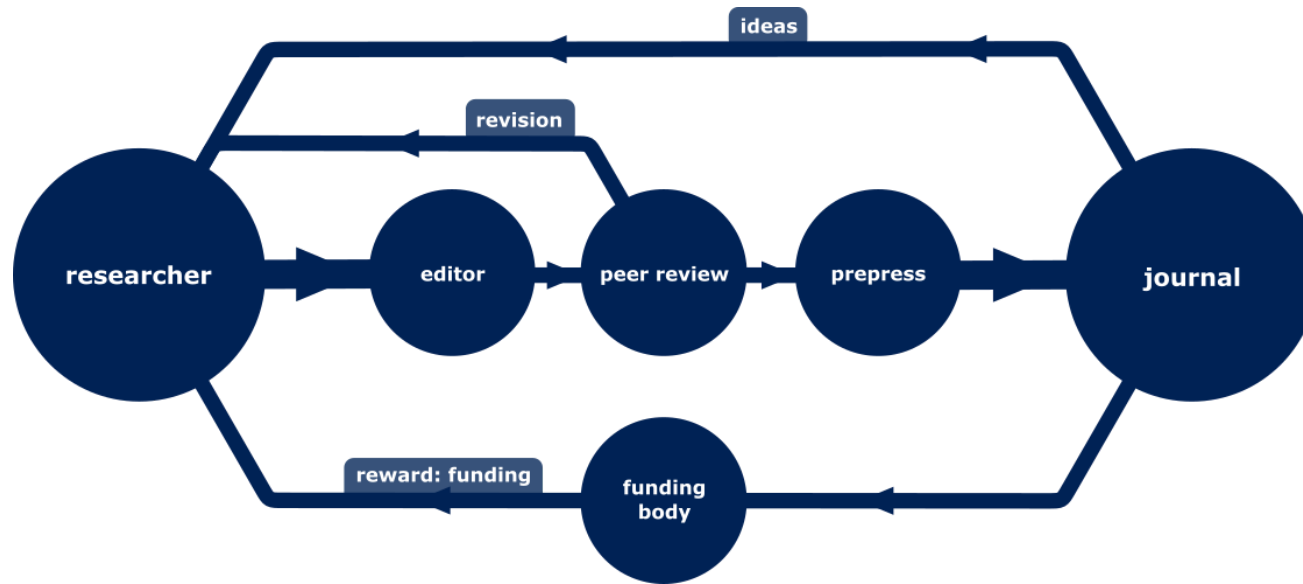
A perfect example because it exposes problems plaguing the traditional way of doing science:

- Serious analysis done by poor tools and not validated
- No peer review -- example of elitism and reputation-based science
- Not sharing analyses
- Not accepting mistakes
- Scientific claims exaggerated by politicians

# **Chapter 1**

**where somebody is in a much too comfortable position**

# The role of a journal



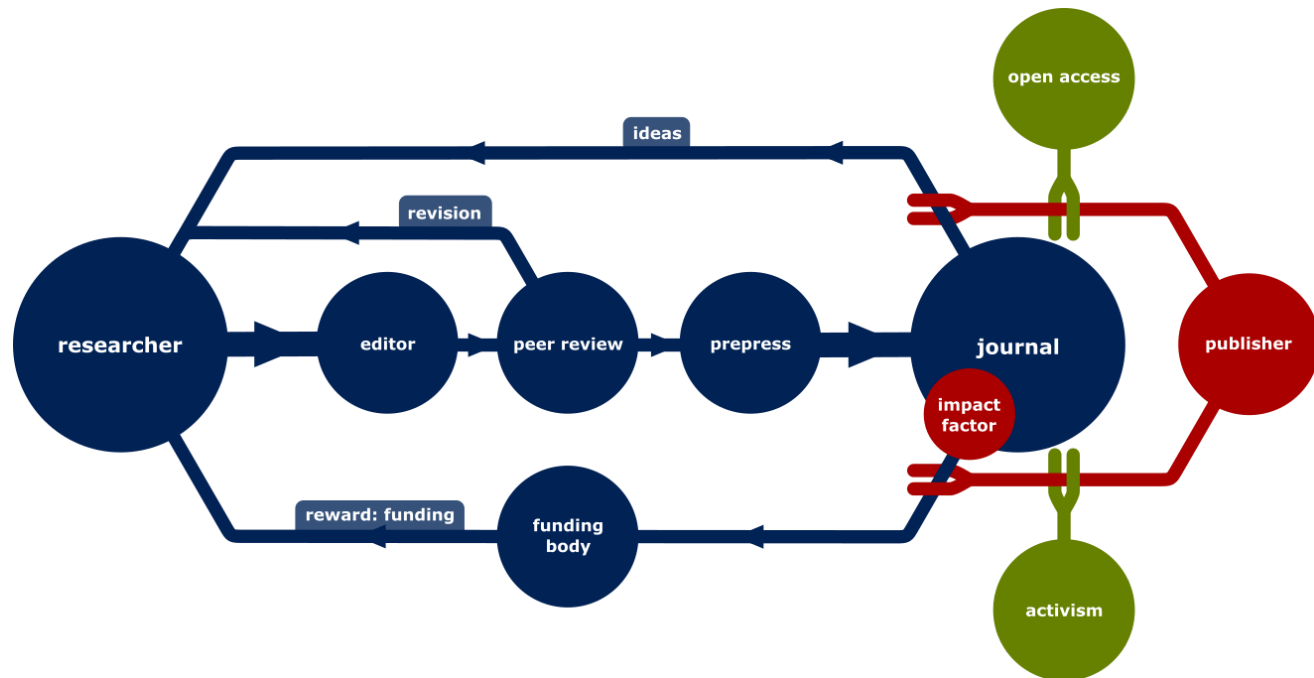
Establishing the quality of research:

- Tool for disseminating research
- Quality control
- Researcher reputation based in impact factor
- Formatting (prepress services)

Impact Factor:

- Average number of citations per article in two years.

# A neat business model





# Academic publishing in practice



Cortex

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Special issue: Review

## Brain-decoding fMRI reveals how wholes relate to the sum of parts

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The rest of this poem  
Will cost \$31.52

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Where has the academic publishing world come to?  
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**Audrey Watters** originally shared:

More pressure on academia to be more open – a response to Aaron Swartz's indictment.



33 GB of Scientific Papers - and a Manifesto  
- Uploaded to Pirate Bay

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# Open Access

So let's have it open.

KU Leuven takes Open Access seriously:

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## Doesn't work well yet

- Green open access: self-archiving of preprint or postprint (free)
- Golden open access: publisher's version freely available (€€€)

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**Meaning:** pay twice (once for publishing, once for subscription)

# **Chapter 2**

**where you learn how to turn on a computer**

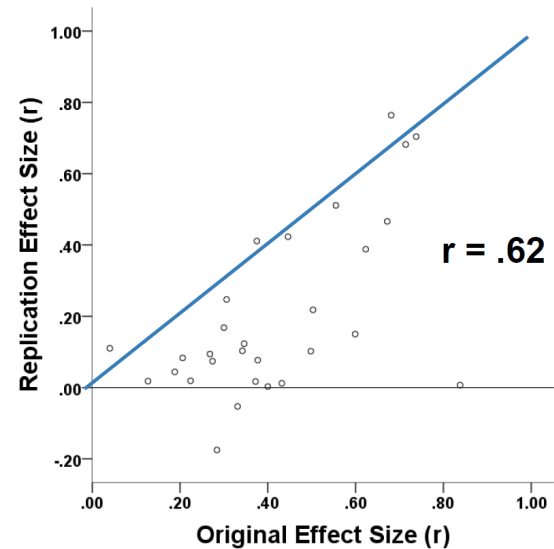
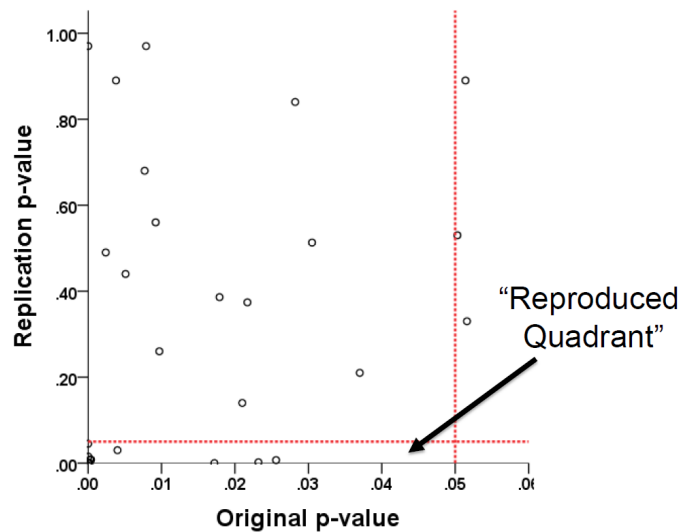
# Reproducibility crisis

- Ionidis (2005): "Why Most Published Research Findings Are False."
- Reproducibility rates in drug development:
  - 6% (Amgen / Begley & Ellis, Nature, 2012)
  - 20-25% (Bayer HealthCare / Prinz et al., Nature Reviews Drug Discovery, 2011)
- "Many Labs" Replication Project: 10 out of 13 Social Psychology studies replicated successfully (Klein et al., 2012)
- Reproducibility Project: Psychology: 11 out of 29 Experimental Psychology studies replicated successfully

(See more at Nature's Special on Challenges in Irreproducible Research and Science's Special Section on Data Replication & Reproducibility)

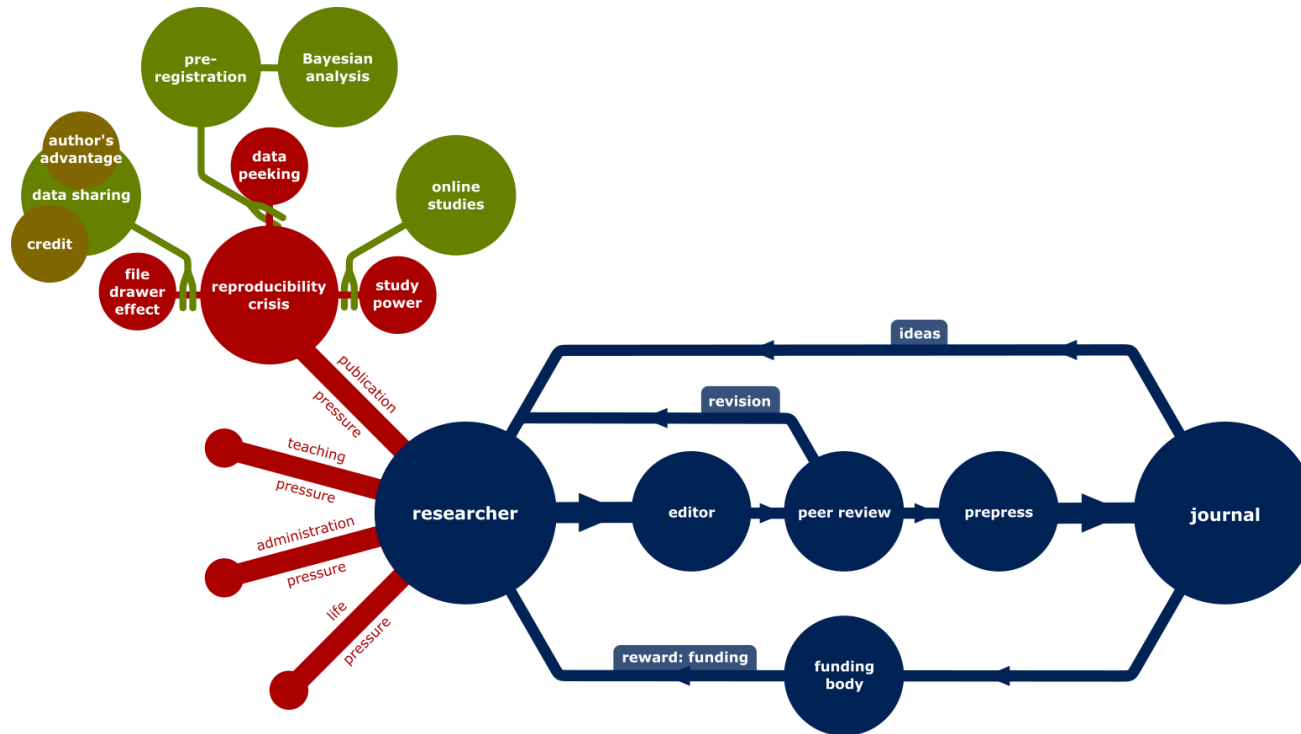


# Reproducibility Project



**What would Newton say?**

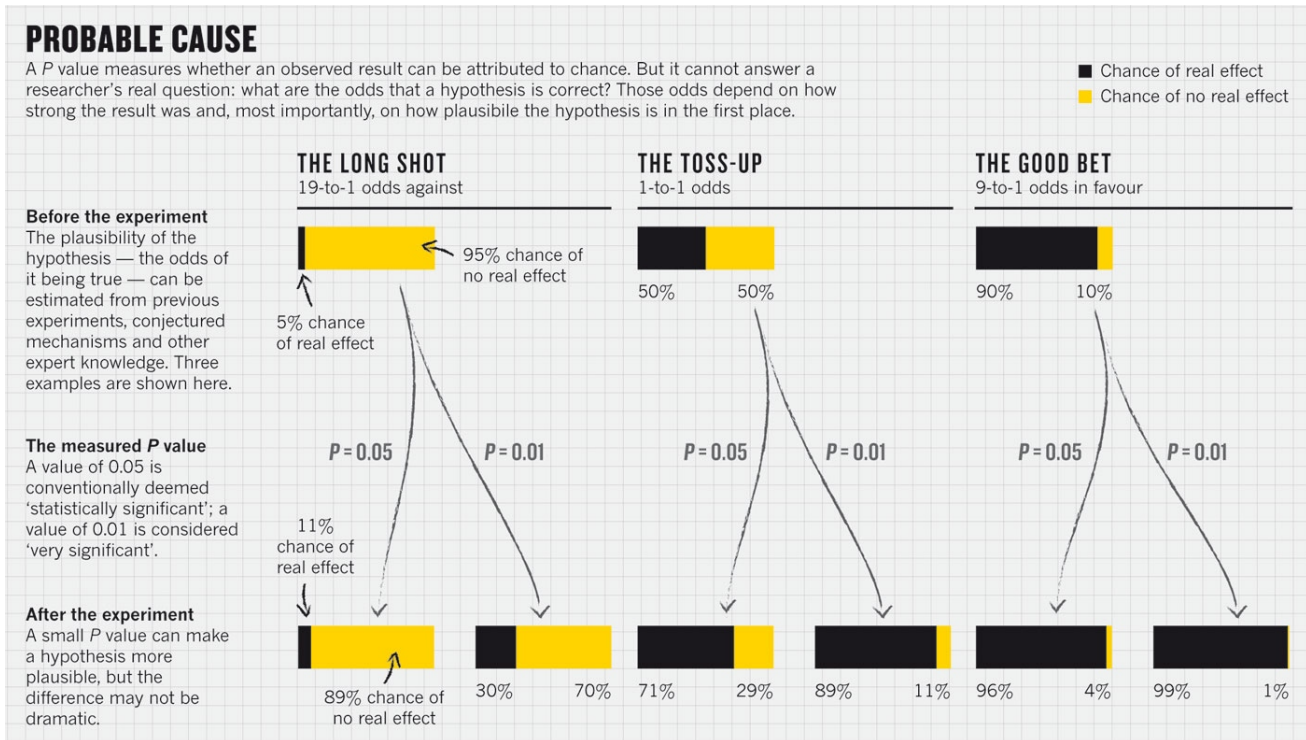
# Reproducibility: What's up?



Publication pressure:

- Underpowered studies -- so use more participants!
- Data peeking -- so pre-register your studies
- File-drawer effect -- so publish your findings anyway + journals should change (see [PsychFileDrawer](#))
- Nobody cares

# We don't understand p-values



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## Available tools

- [jsPsych](#)
- [Amazon Mechanical Turk](#) (use with [psiTurk](#)), [CrowdSource](#), ...
- Or create a virtual reality with [Oculus Rift](#)

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## Available tools

GitHub, figshare, Zenodo, BitBucket, Dropbox ...

# Licencing

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# Free and Open Source Software

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## Why

- Transparent
- Accessible
- Persistent

## Why not

- Often less powerful
- Less polished

## Available tools

- E-Prime, MATLAB, Presentation -> Python
- SPSS -> Python, R
- Photoshop -> GIMP
- Illustrator -> Inkscape
- ...

# **Chapter 3**

**where we get stuck in human nature**

# Quality

Running head: EMERGENCE OF PERCEPTUAL GESTALTS IN VISION

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Emergence of perceptual Gestalts in the human visual cortex:

The case of the configural superiority effect

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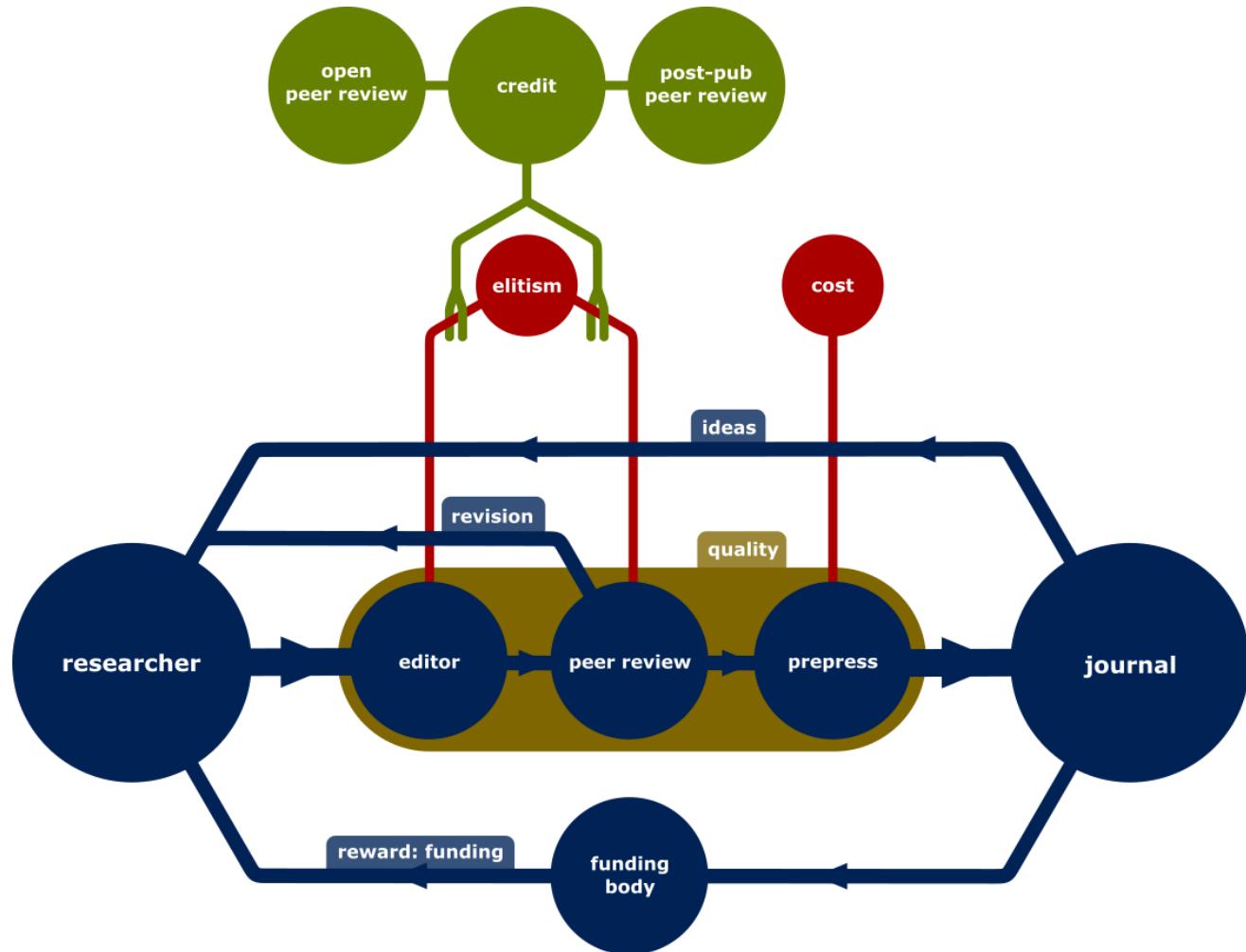
## Abstract

Many Gestalt phenomena have been described in terms of perception of a whole being not equal to the mere sum of its parts. It is unclear how these phenomena emerge in the brain. We used functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) to study the neural basis of the behavioral configural superiority effect, where a visual search task for the odd element in a display of four line segments (parts) is facilitated by adding an irrelevant corner to each of the line segments (whole shapes). fMRI-based decoding of the position of the odd element revealed a neural configural superiority effect in shape-selective regions but not in low-level retinotopic areas, where decoding of parts was more pronounced. These results show how at least some Gestalt phenomena in vision emerge only at the higher stages of the visual information processing and suggest that feedforward processing might be sufficient to produce them.

*Keywords:* visual perception, neuroimaging

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- Online repositories ([arXiv](#), [bioRxiv](#)) need recommendation systems (just like in Amazon, Netflix, Spotify), e.g., [Pubget](#), [Google Scholar](#)
- Change reward system ([Kubilius et al., 2013](#))

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- Double-blind review – nope
- Open peer review (e.g, PeerJ)
- Giving credit to reviewers (e.g., Publons)
- Post-publication peer review

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And needless to say: Don't be a woman. A report on women researchers found that

"Both Latinas and Black women report regularly being mistaken as janitors." *New Study Reveals "Double Jeopardy" Faced by Women of Color in STEM* / UC Hastings Newsroom

# A beggar's life

Even if successful, your life will be based on Impact Factors:



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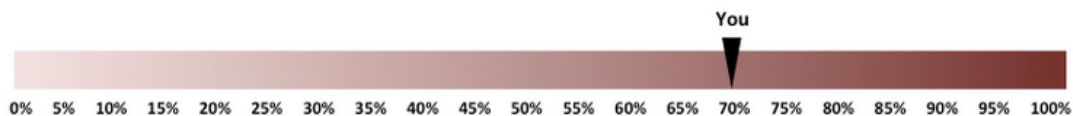
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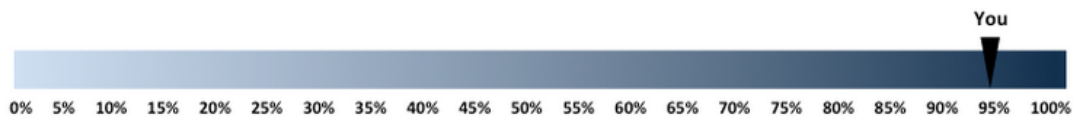
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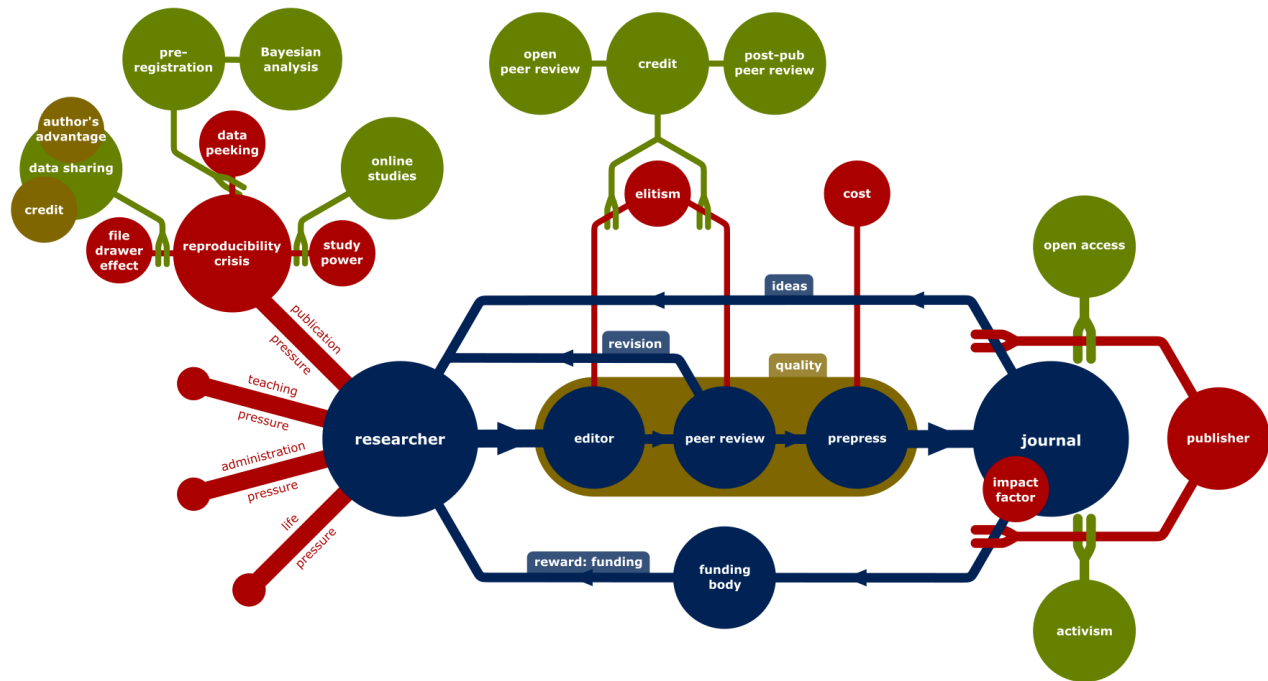
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Here are some of the statistics we computed from your publication history:

Feature	Value
Number of Publications	6
Number of Publications as First	4
Mean Impact Factor	3.5
Max Impact Factor	7.1
Max IF As First	7.1

# **Chapter 4**

**where we wrap up**





# But why bother?



Open Science / Open Culture lead to transparency, accountability, clear thought.

# **The End**

**where we thank each other for patience**

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