



RENU building a sustainable, ORCID networked knowledge commons in Uganda – shared best practice with the Wits University Libraries



Facts about the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits):

- ❑ Location and Campuses: Wits is located in Johannesburg, South Africa, and spans over 400 acres with campuses in Braamfontein and Parktown
- ❑ Faculties and Schools: The university has five faculties and 34 schools, offering a wide range of courses and programs
- ❑ Libraries and Resources: Wits boasts 11 libraries and access to over 1.2 million book volumes, 150,000+ print and electronic journal titles, and 234 online databases
- ❑ Research Excellence: Wits is known for its research contributions, particularly in the palaeosciences, and hosts one of the largest fossil collections in the southern hemisphere
- ❑ Medical Training: The Wits Donald Gordon Medical Centre is renowned for training more medical specialists and super-specialists than any other university in southern Africa
- ❑ Historical Contributions: Wits established the first clinical trial in South Africa for a COVID-19 vaccine in 2020
- ❑ Student and Staff Diversity: The university has a diverse student body with 42,175 students, 56.43% of whom are female, and 61.89% are African (Black South African). The academic staff includes 1,174 full-time permanent employees
- ❑ Cultural and Historical Archives: Wits has one of the largest independent and open-access archives in South Africa, with over 3,400 collections

Wits is a vibrant and dynamic institution with a rich history and a strong commitment to research and education



Facts about the University of the Witwatersrand ORCID Project: 2024-6

User Person Type	(Multiple Items)		
Faculties / Support Total	People Group Name	Count of ORCID	Count of Employee Number
[-] DVC: Research and Innovation - Total		5	23
	PERMANENT	1	6
	TEMPORARY	4	17
[-] Faculty of Commerce, Law & Management - Total		171	669
	PERMANENT	143	254
	TEMPORARY	28	415
[-] Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment - Total		126	357
	PERMANENT	101	185
	TEMPORARY	25	172
[-] Faculty of Health Sciences - Total		1799	2681
	PERMANENT	254	272
	TEMPORARY	1545	2409
[-] Faculty of Humanities - Total		191	1011
	PERMANENT	161	344
	TEMPORARY	30	667
[-] Faculty of Science - Total		233	569
	PERMANENT	185	259
	TEMPORARY	48	310
[-] SENIOR DVC(ACADEMIC) - Total			18
	PERMANENT		5
	TEMPORARY		13
[-] Vice-Chancellor's Office - Total		4	6
	TEMPORARY	4	6
Grand Total		2529	5334



Drivers for Open Scholarship in South Africa



- Launched ORCID in 2014
- Statement on Open Access to Research Publications from the National Research Foundation (NRF)-Funded Research was published, in 2015
- The NRF/DSI/ASSAf established the AOSP in 2017 to position African scientists at the cutting edge of data-intensive science by stimulating interactivity and creating opportunity through the development of efficiencies of scale, building critical mass through shared capacities, and amplifying impact through a commonality of purpose and voice.
- SA Cabinet approved the adoption of the 2019 White Paper on Science, Technology, and Innovation as government policy.
- Draft SA Open Access Policy, 2022



Wits' and SA Open Access Policies





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Open Access (OA) Policy

Version No. 1

Policy Title	Wits Open Access Policy
Policy Officer	
Date Approved	dd month yyyy
Date Effective From	
Last updated	

https://libguides.wits.ac.za/ld.php?content_id=72475954





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Statement on Open Access to Research Publications from the National Research Foundation (NRF)-Funded Research

Background

The National Research Foundation (NRF) was established through the National Research Foundation Act (Act No.23 of 1998). As an independent statutory agency, the organisation promotes and supports research in South Africa largely through the country's Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), National Research Facilities and Science Councils with a view to generating knowledge and promoting high-level research capacity within the National System of Innovation (NSI).

Supporting scientific research through public funding is important for growing the knowledge economy, promoting innovation and stimulating appropriate development. The publication of NRF-funded research outputs contributes to the knowledgebase of the country. Open access to this knowledge base facilitates:

- Dissemination of knowledge;
- Utilisation/uptake/application of this knowledge
- Accelerated transformation and globalisation of science; and
- Rapid transformation of this knowledge into innovative and developmental

<https://www.nrf.ac.za/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/NRF-Open-Access-Statement.pdf>





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POLICY DOCUMENT

Research Data Management Policy

WITS POLICY

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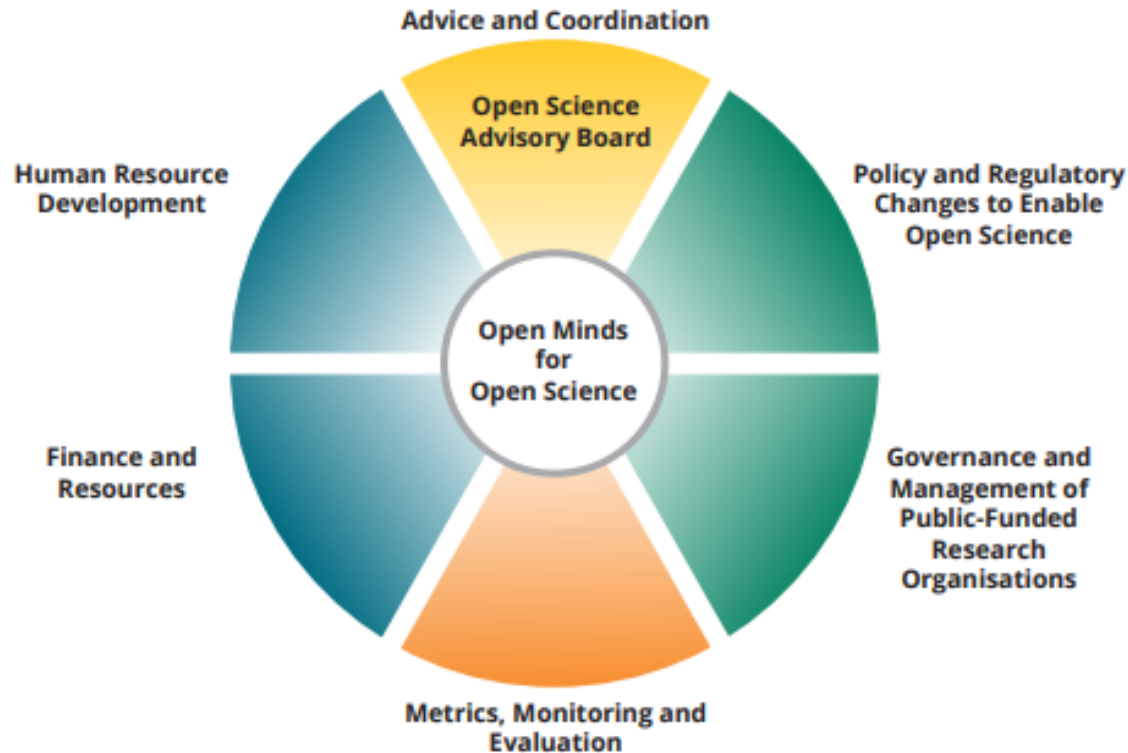
South Africa's move towards open science

The Draft National Open Science Policy, by the South African government with stakeholders in 2022, is an encouraging step forward as it aims to promote the practice of open, application ORCID in South Africa

- Proposal for all publicly funded research to be disseminated via open-access platforms, including data-supporting publications – as mandated by most global funders**

SA-EU Open Science Dialogue Report, 29 October, 2018

Open Science Framework: Themes and Objective



<https://www.usaf.ac.za/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/SA-EU-Open-Science-Dialogue-Report-29-October-2018.pdf>



ORCID

stands for

Open Researcher and Contributor ID

Wits is an ORCID Member Organisation

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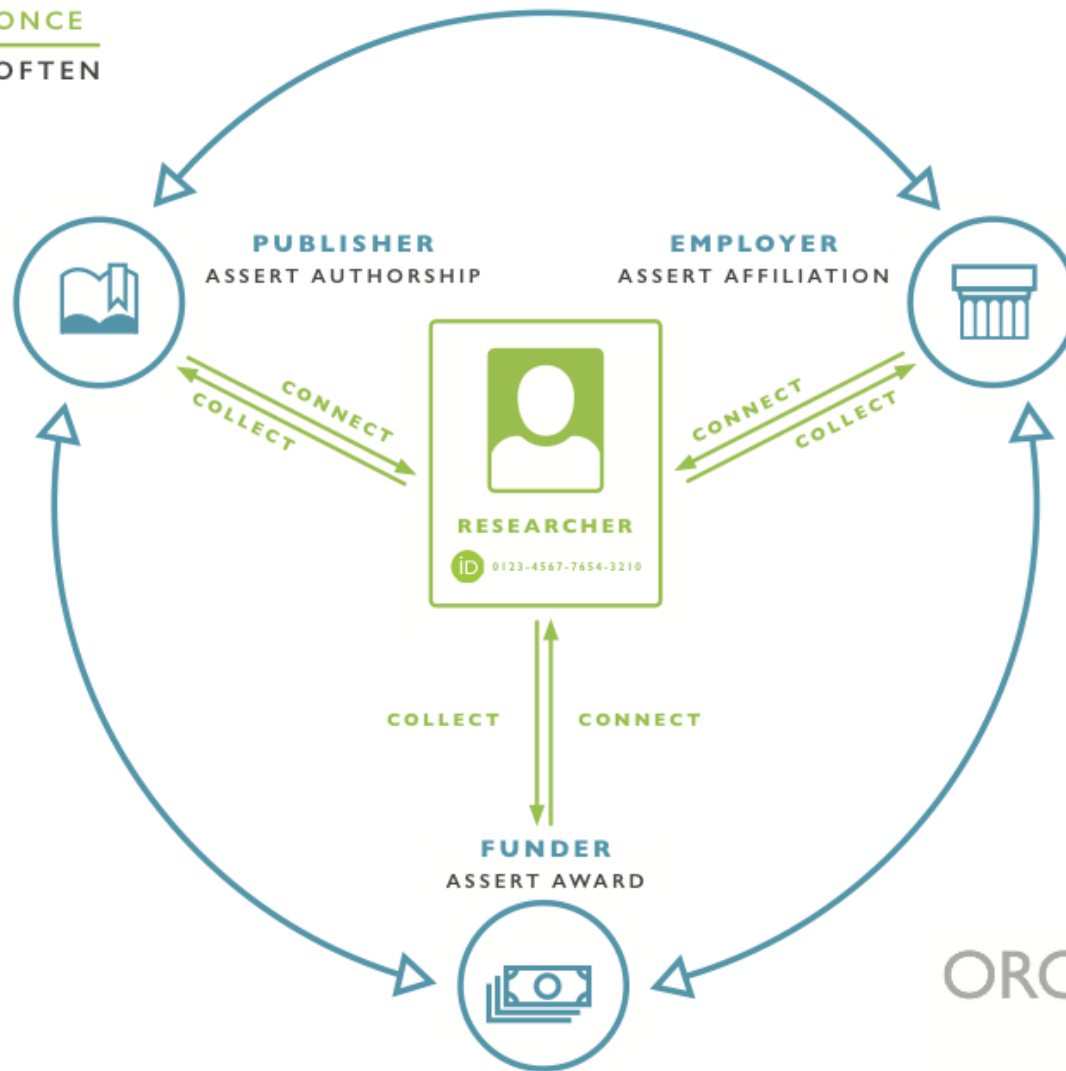
Connecting Research
and Researchers

Member
Organization

- ❑ Wits is an ORCID Member Organisation. See [here](#) for more details on the benefits of ORCID membership for organisations.
- ❑ ORCID is now integrated with Wits' Research Repository Platforms (publications and datasets). This means that Wits researchers can link their ORCID to identify and import their publications and outputs.

INTEROPERABILITY

ENTER ONCE
REUSE OFTEN



The ORCID funding module was launched in 2014

Who is using ORCID?

- ❑ Publishers and Presses including eLife Sciences, Elsevier, Wiley, Public Library of Science, Hindawi and Institute of Physics Publishing.
- ❑ Research Institutions such as CERN, Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, National Institutes of Health and the Chinese Academy of Sciences.
- ❑ Funding Agencies including NRF, The Wellcome Trust, Japan Science and Technology Agency, UK National Institute of Health Research
- ❑ Learned Societies and Professional Associations such as: American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS); American Chemical Society; IEEE; Optical Society; and many more
- ❑ Scholarly Sharing Service Providers including Almetric, Dimensions, CrossRef, FigShare etc.
- ❑ Major Research Universities including Harvard University, MIT, Oxford etc.



The implementation of ORCID and its adoption into open-access strategies in South African HEIs



- ❑ The first significant implementation of ORCID in South Africa was led by the National Research Foundation (NRF).
- ❑ In October 2018, the NRF launched its ORCID integration, marking a pivotal step in the national adoption of ORCID

How Organizations and Researchers Benefit

INSTITUTIONS

- Save time and reduce errors with automated information-sharing and cross-system interoperability
- Manage your organization name and your researchers' connections with it
- Maintain links with your researchers - past, present, and future



RESEARCHERS

- Improve recognition and discoverability of their research
- Spend more time doing research, less time managing it
- Control and manage a trusted and easily shareable record of their research activities and affiliations – for free

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ORCID as a hub



ORCID's API the system works as a hub to connect many research activities

Funders, e.g. the NRF require grant applicants to register with ORCID



NRF Connect – ORCID Registration

How to Register a NEW account on NRF Connect using a NEW ORCID account

1 Navigate to <https://nrfconnect.nrf.ac.za/>

2 Click the ORCID logo.



ORCID's role in open scholarship workflows



Increasing Research Visibility & Impact

• Carry out the research

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Data & Results

1

• Publish the research



2

• Create communication assets



video abstract

visual summary



podcast

press release



3

• Disseminate assets to widen visibility



conferences & meetings



websites & blogs

social media & digital networking sites



4

• Evaluate reach and impact of research



Citations

Downloads



metrics of social media

SHARING



Measure Real World

CHANGE

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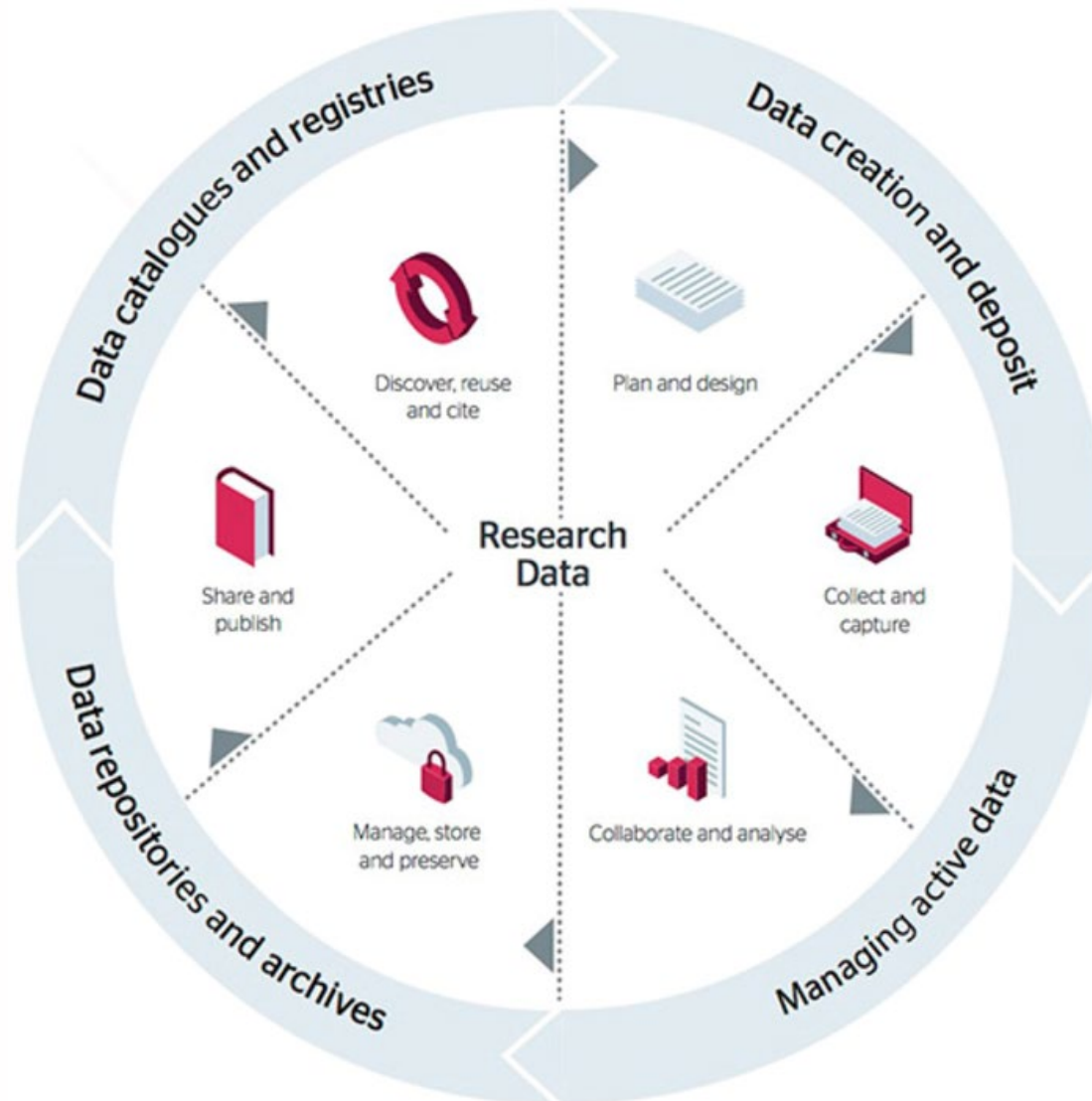


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A free, AI-powered research tool for scientific literature



What is Research Data Management (RDM)?





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Wits Open Data Vault

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My data

Projects

Collections

Activity



10,837 datasets have been curated over 6 months

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1922
2022





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Agreements

- [American Chemical Society](#) ›
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WIRedSpace: Wits Publications Repository



<https://wiredspace.wits.ac.za/home>

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Results: Nearly 90% of the sample reported at least one ACE and 28% reported psychological distress. The median number of ACEs reported was three (range 0–11). After accounting for demographic and socio-economic factors, all ACEs were individually associated with psychological distress except for parental divorce and unemployment. The individual ACEs increased the odds of PD by between 1.42 and 2.79 times. Compared to participants experiencing no



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Wits Publications Research Output – Discoverable online

Over 80,000 publications curated in WiredSpace, linked to ORCID Author profiles

- Research Articles- 48,344
- Review Articles - 3,493
- Book Chapters - 1,823
- Conference Papers- 1,399
- Letter to the Editor- 1,091
- Reference Works- 839
- Book Reviews - 770
- Editorials - 618
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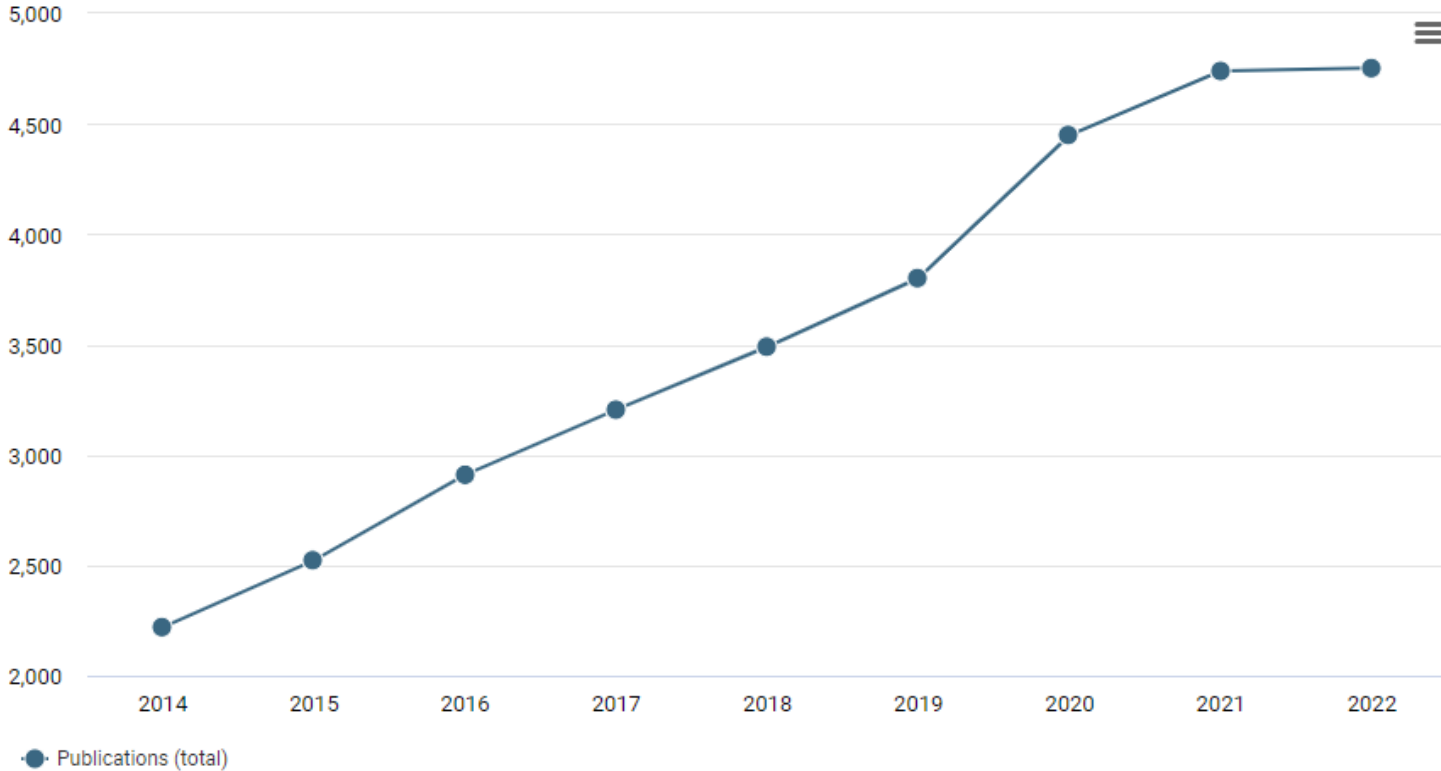


WITS' Research output growth, 2014-2022

All years: 64,505

Show years 2014 to 2022 ▾

Chart | Table



Types of Open Access

- ❑ **Pre-print** – a manuscript draft that has not yet been subject to formal peer review, distributed to receive early feedback on research from peers.
- ❑ **Post-print** – a manuscript draft after it has been peer reviewed.
- ❑ **Version of Record (VOR)** – the final version of a manuscript, after peer review and processing by a publishers.
- ❑ **Hybrid** – a type of journal in which certain articles are made open access for typically a significantly higher price (relative to full OA journals), while others remain toll access.
- ❑ **Accepted author manuscript** – the version of a manuscript that has been accepted by a publisher for publication.
- ❑ **Eprint** – a digital version of a research document available online for a repository.
- ❑ **Green OA** – making a version of the manuscript freely available in a repository.
- ❑ **Gold OA** – making the final version of manuscript freely available immediately upon publication by the publisher.
- ❑ **Gratis OA** – the paper is available to read free-of-charge, though its reuse is still restricted, for example by ‘All Rights Reserved’ copyright. [\(source\)](#)
- ❑ **Libre OA** – the paper is made available under an open licence, allowing it to be shared and reused, depending on which licence is used. [\(source\)](#) (Libre and Gratis refer to copyright and licensing restrictions)
- ❑ **Diamond OA** – a form of gold open access in which there is no author fee (APC).

WITS' research output: OA articles

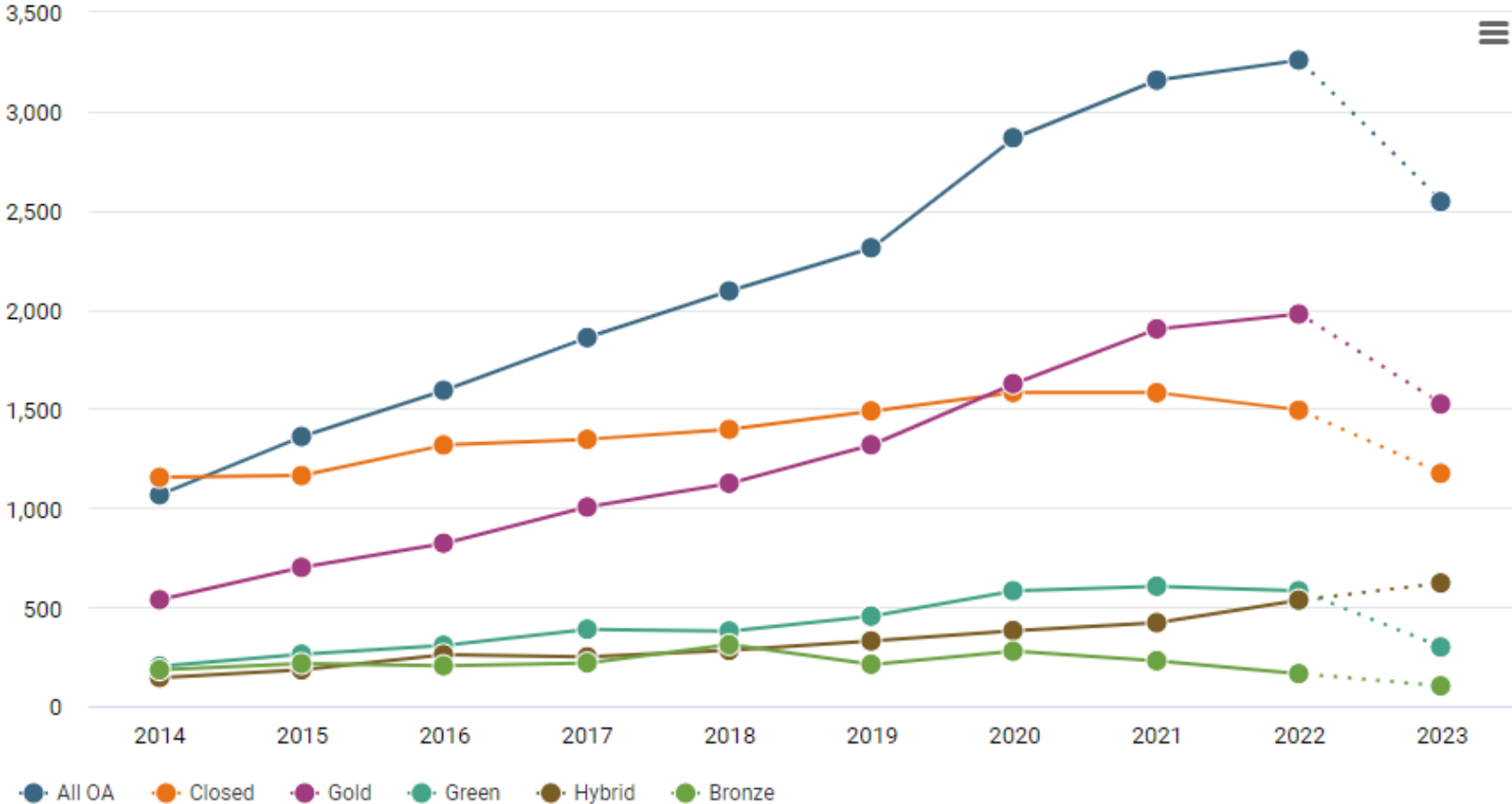
Items	No. of publications	Citations	Citations (mean)
Closed publications	36,223	692,296	19.11
All OA	28,282	697,083	24,65
Gold OA	13,960	213,189	15,27
Green OA	5,500	192,219	34,95
Hybrid	4,437	144,504	32,57
Bronze	4,385	147,171	33,56



2020 the year when Open Access surpassed closed access

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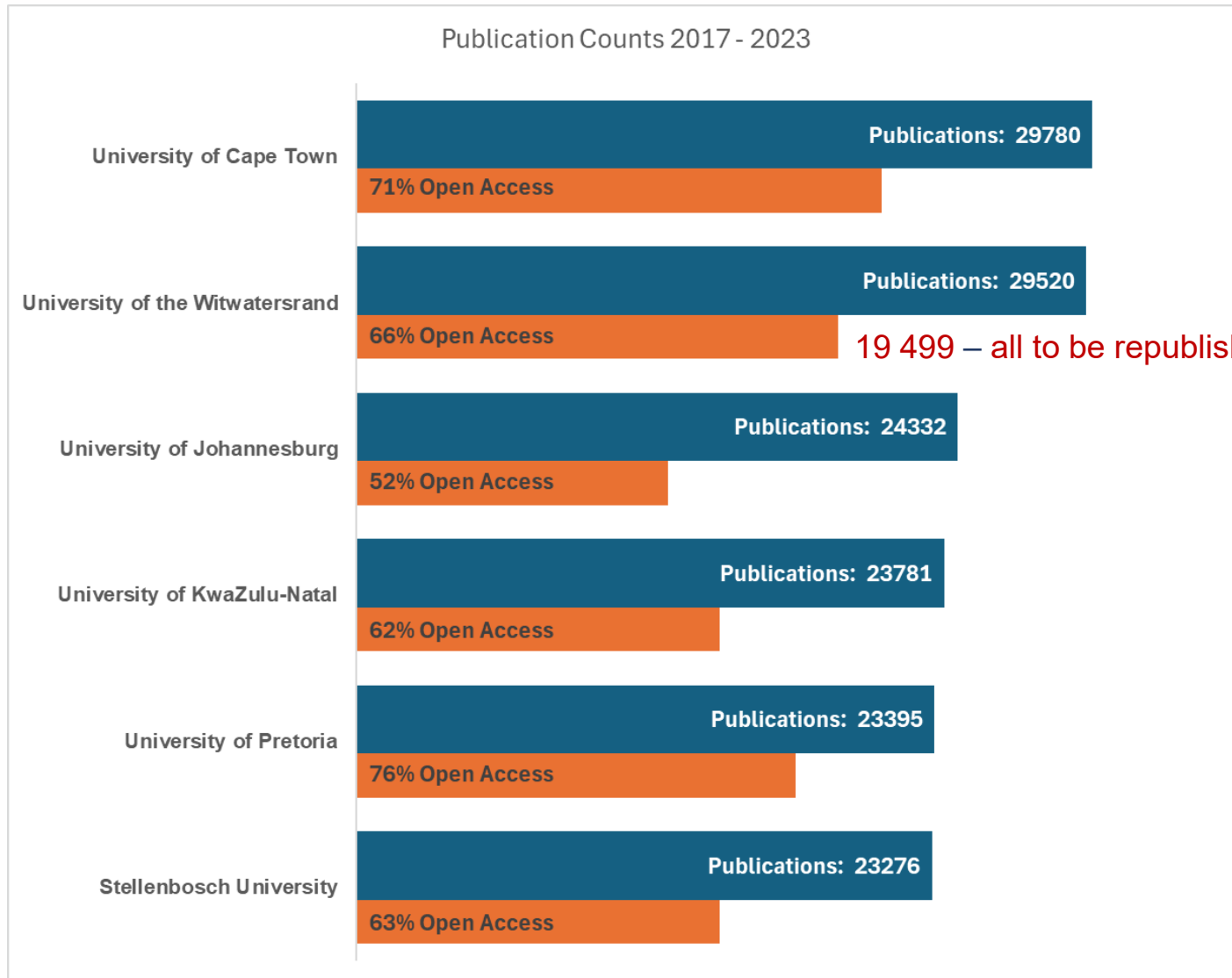


Top 5 - SA Universities

Measuring Research Productivity: OA Publishing & Open
Data Analysis from the
**Dimensions/Altmetric Tools (which are enhanced by
ORCID(s))**



Wits' OA publications count



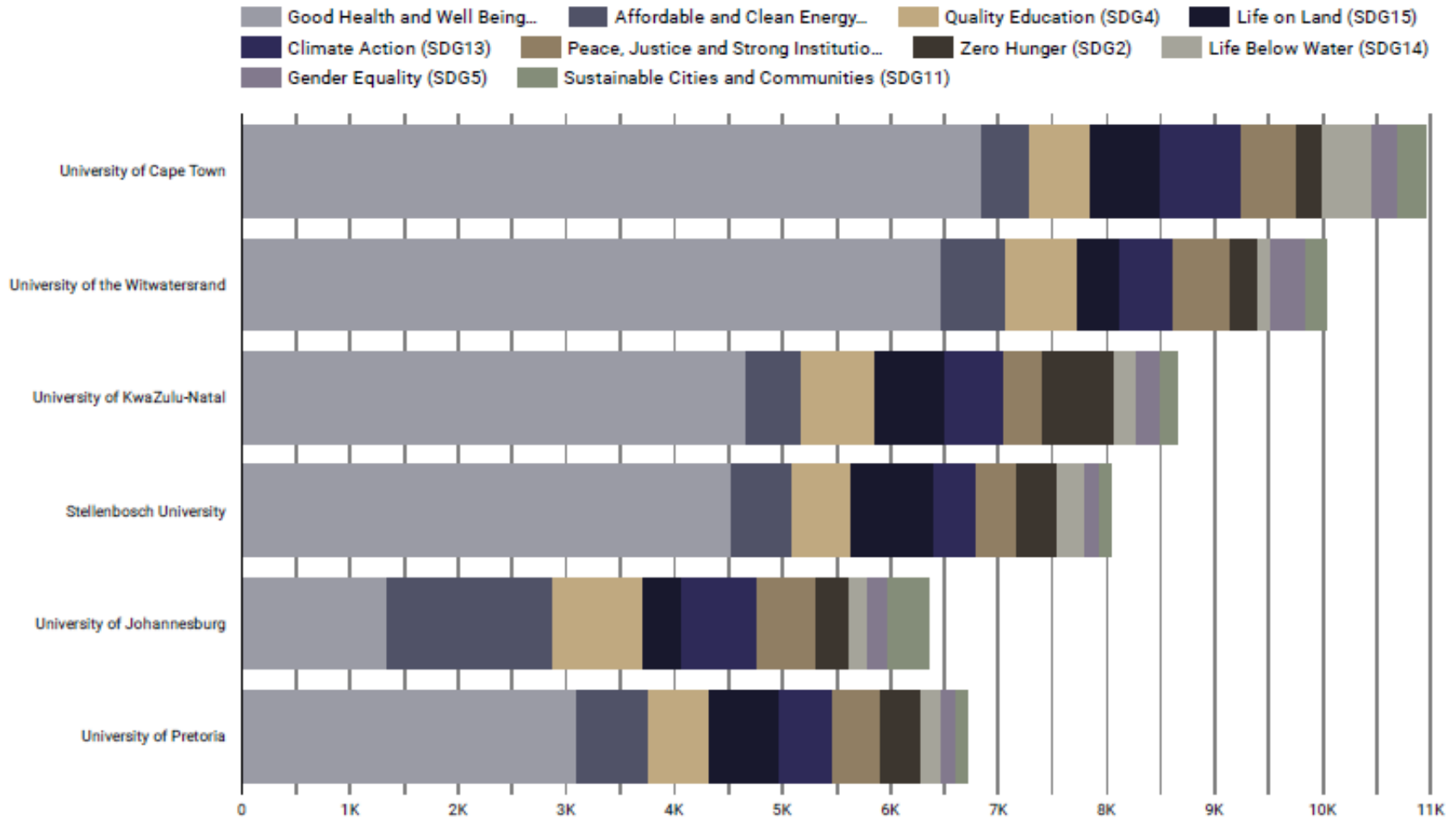
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University of Witwatersrand - Benchmarking

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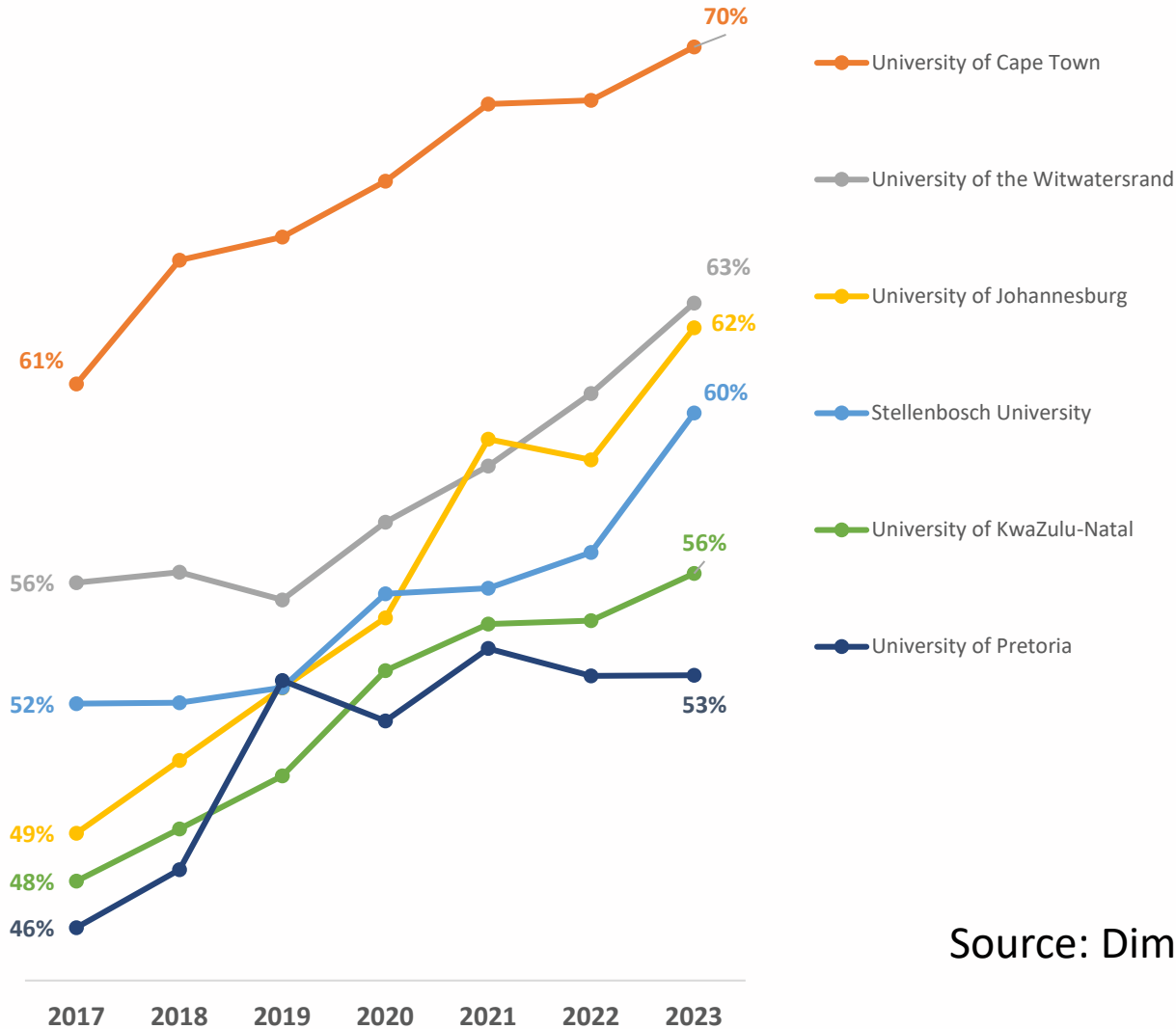


Source: Dimensions, 3/09/2024

Library metadata support for SDGs impact & rankings

Growth of International Collaborations

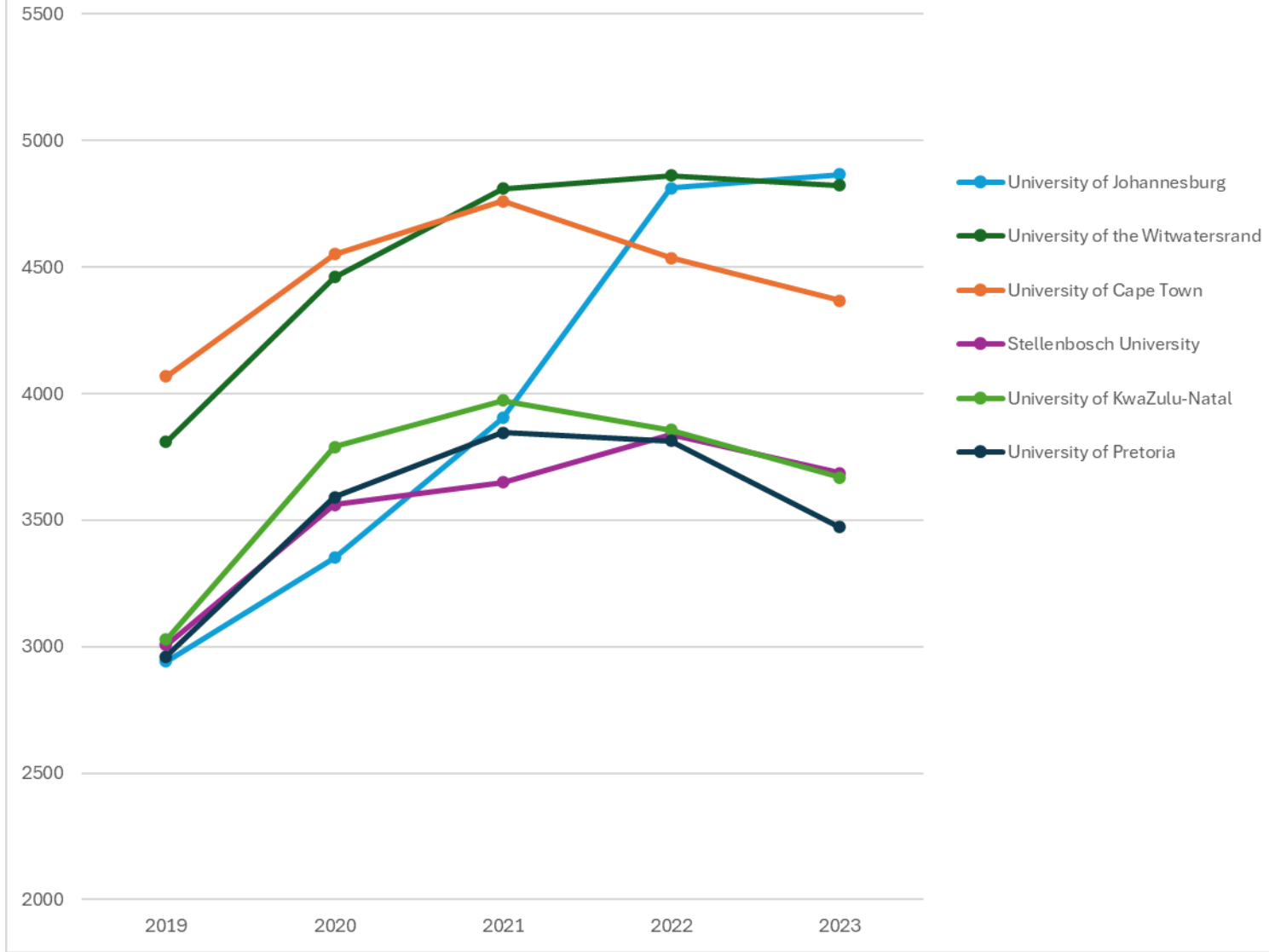
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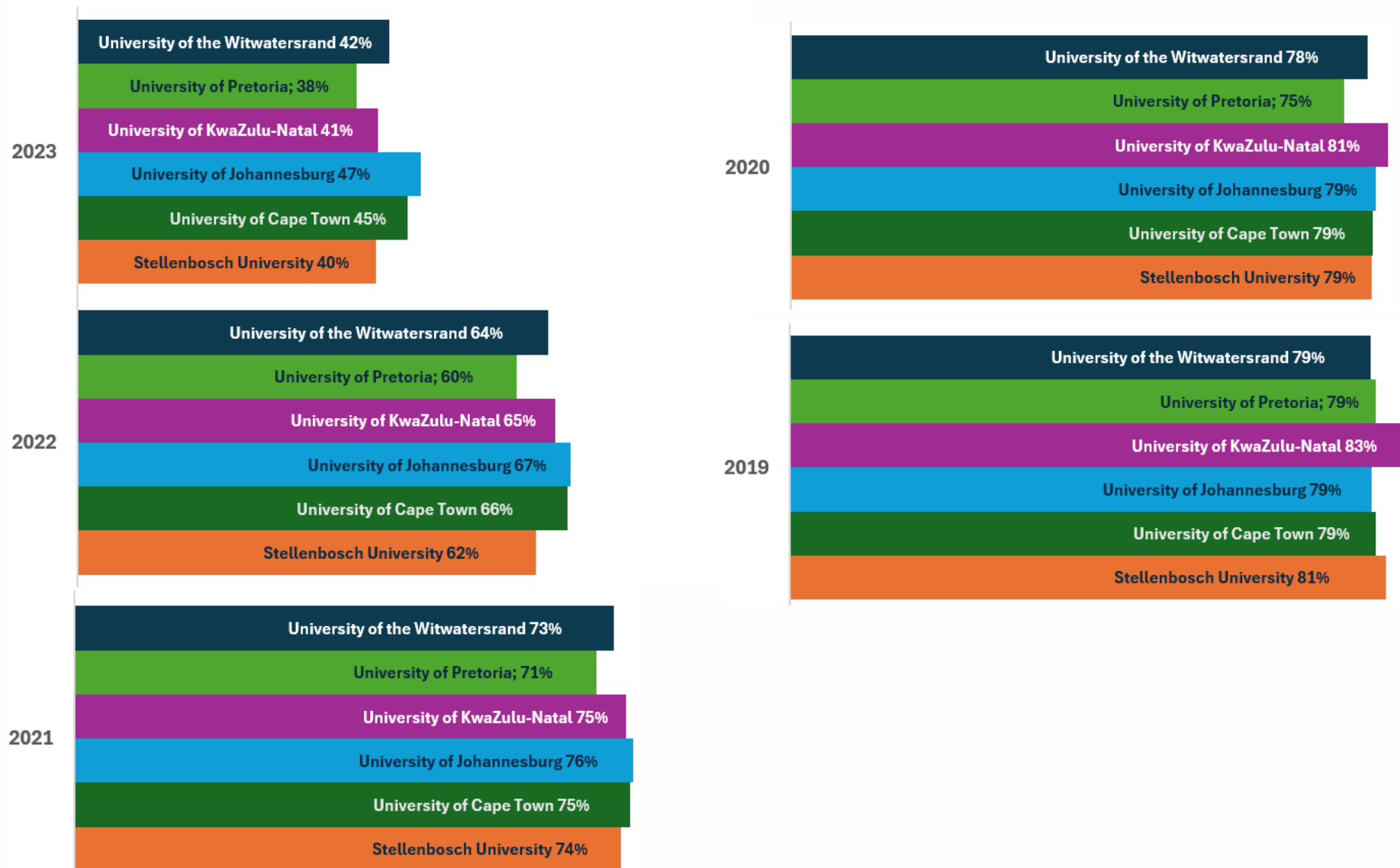
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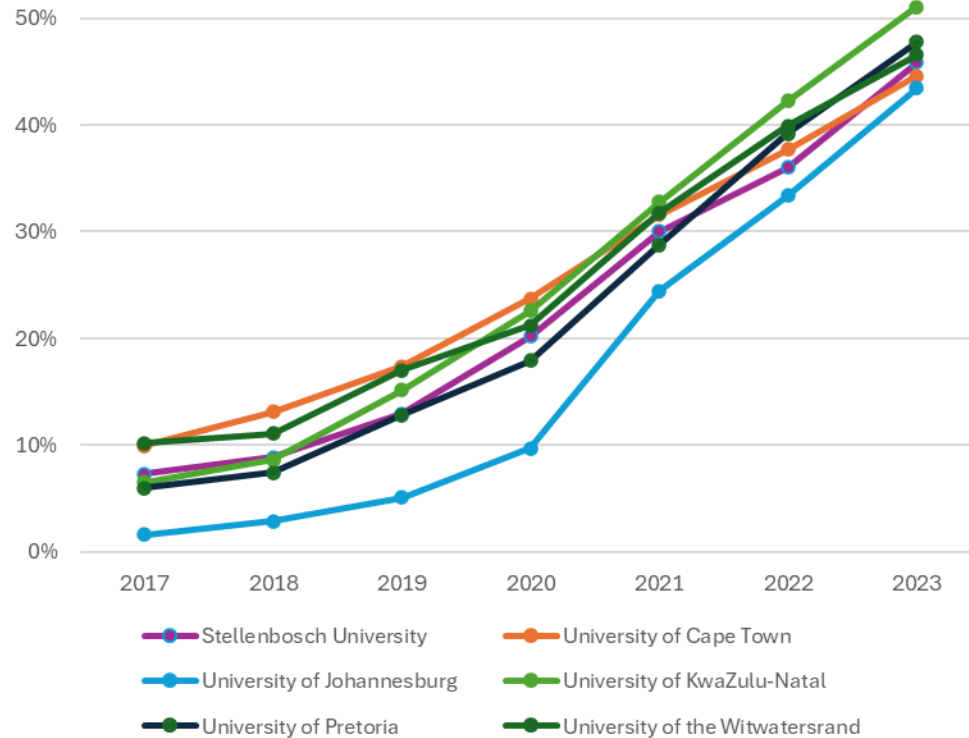
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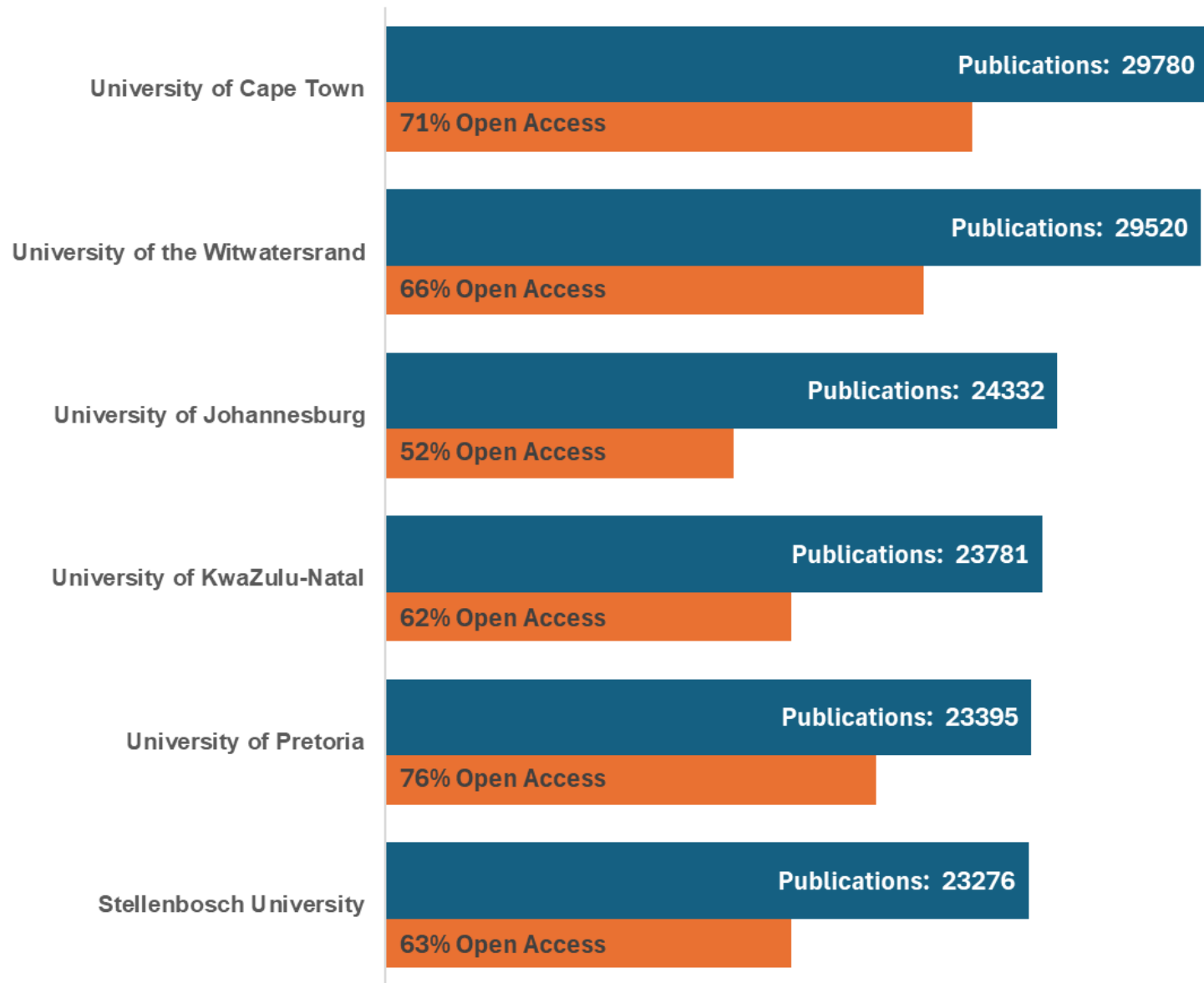
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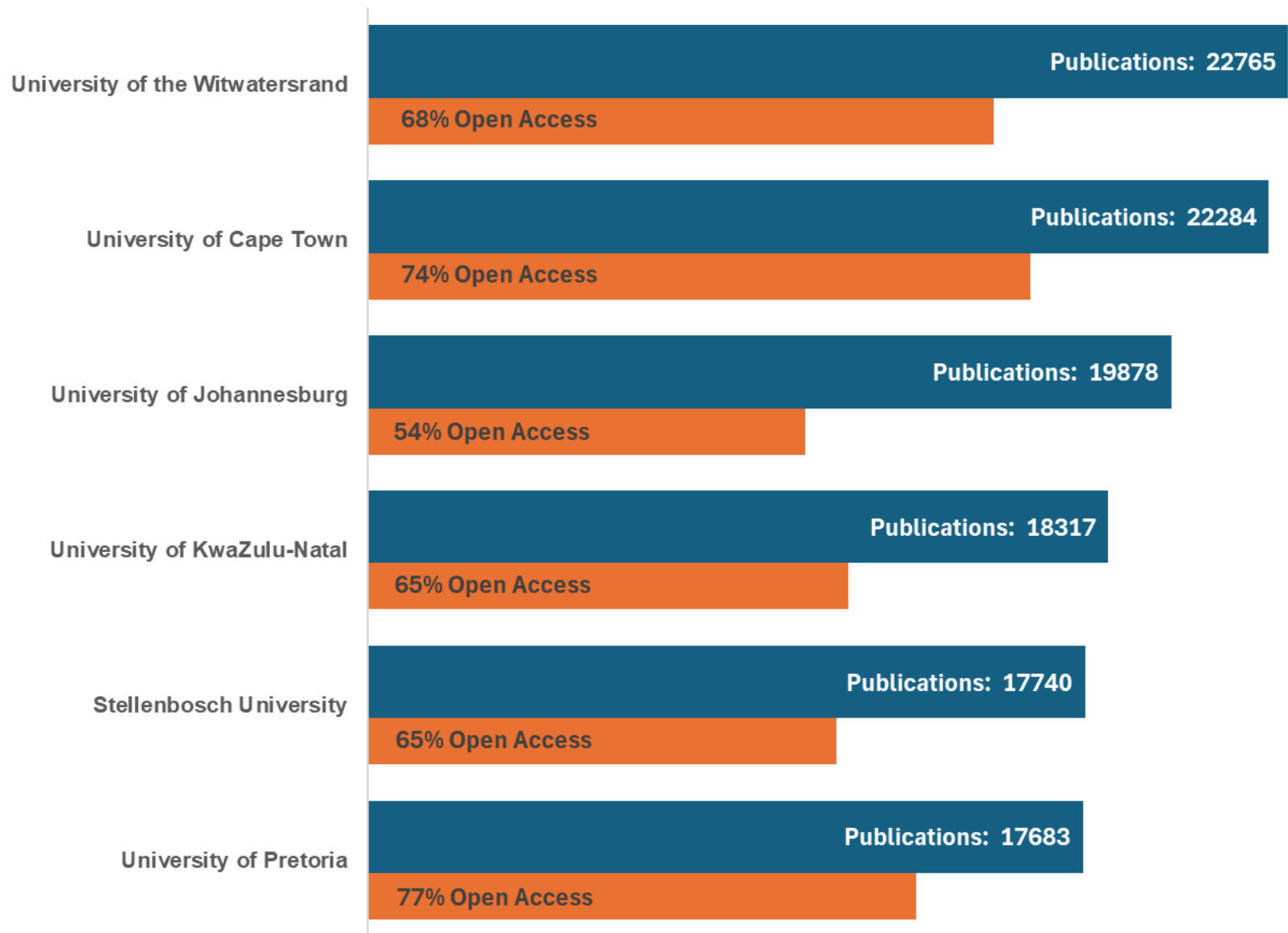
University	Datasets in Dimensions (2019-2023)	Associated Publications
Stellenbosch University	2026	727
University of Cape Town	27534	1584
University of Johannesburg	21899	667
University of KwaZulu-Natal	2232	799
University of Pretoria	1684	623
University of the Witwatersrand	27634	1405



Publication Counts 2017 - 2023



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Report for **Attention highlights** for all research outputs from the **full Altmetric database** sorted by **Altmetric Attention Score** affiliated with **University of Pretoria**

This report includes all mentions between 00:00 on Sun 30 Jul and Wed 30 Aug 2023 UTC.

Report summary

Total mentions	Research outputs	With mentions
235,491	29,451	15,487

Recent activity

There have been **2,527 new mentions** of your search results in the past month.

-  397 News mentions
-  19 Patent mentions
-  30 Facebook mentions
-  2 Reddit mentions
-  35 Blog mentions
-  1,959 Twitter mentions
-  78 Wikipedia mentions
-  7 Video mentions

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Total mentions	Research outputs	With mentions
849,903	39,682	30,805

Recent activity

There have been **8,126 new mentions** of your search results in the past month.

-  876 News mentions
-  77 Blog mentions
-  6 Policy mentions
-  41 Patent mentions
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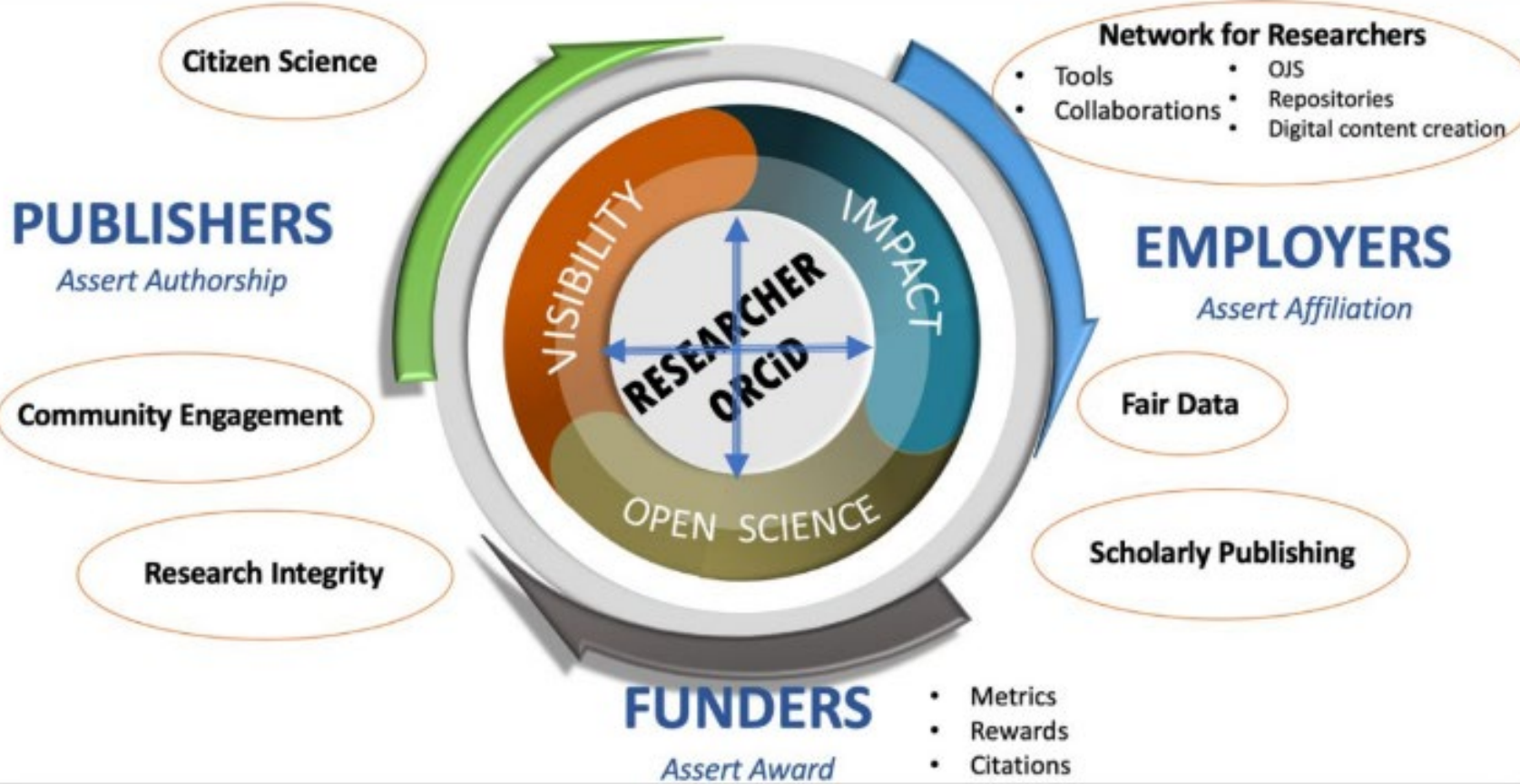
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ORCID as the driver for Research Visibility and Impact



Research Visibility Impact Framework



Strategy to improve university's research visibility and impact

The project hopes to generate a framework that will anchor the various research analytical tools used to assess and encourage researchers to be digital natives and self-promote their online presence

WITS' ranking & metrics

Raise WITS' ranking & metrics by:

Developing our scholarly publishing systems to better serve our researchers and the public

Increase the impact of WITS' scholarly activities

By promoting the results of our research across a range of platforms

WITS' research

This will assist researchers and the librarians to **collaborate to support the impact and visibility** of a university's research outputs and researchers' activities

WITS' researcher profiles

TOOLS: *Twitter, LinkedIn, reflective blog, The Conversation*

NEEDS: *Attract income, share ideas, generate impact, international collaboration*



PROFESSOR



SENIOR RESEARCHER



EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER



PhD STUDENT



TOOLS: *Twitter, research blog, podcast, infographics, Video, ORCID*

NEEDS: *Build online identity, generate esteem*



TOOLS: *Twitter, research blog, podcast, infographics, Video, Altmetrics, The Conversation.*

NEEDS: *Research outputs (journal articles, conference papers, books and book chapters, and datasets) dissemination, conference posters & presentation*

TOOLS: *Twitter, reflective blog, SlideShare, infographics, The Conversation, LinkedIn.*

NEEDS: *Attract participants and share research with global citizens*



Next-Generation Metrics Tools – Dimensions; Altmetric Explorer



Image: Delft University of Technology

A Conceptual Framework for Researcher Visibility and Impact Check Tool at Two South African Universities



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Be Visible: Engage, Influence and Ensure Your Research Has Impact

Researchers promote their research and data online using Academic and social networking tools. In the research evaluation process, the DLS support researchers in profiling their research using academic and social networking tools to produce annual metrics report. These reports detail data on journal impact factors, citation scores, article-level metrics, author-level metrics including Altmetrics that quantify social media attention received by a scientific work as extracted from Scopus, Web of Science, Altmetric Explorer and other platforms.

These research(er) academic and social profiling platforms link researchers with their scientific production and performance and help profile institutional visibility and research performance. These platforms are used to quantify research excellence and to credit researchers for recognition in their specific disciplines.



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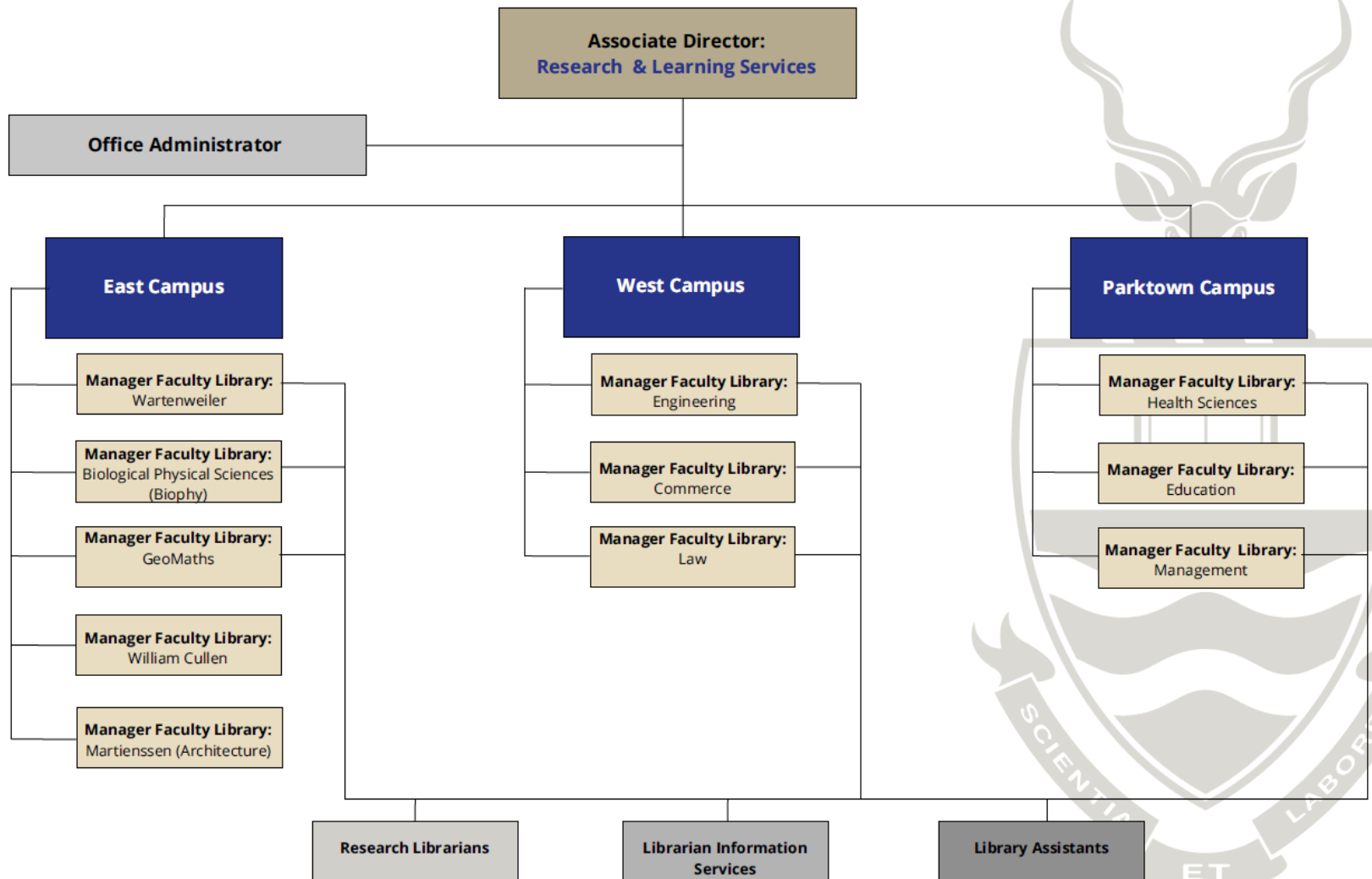
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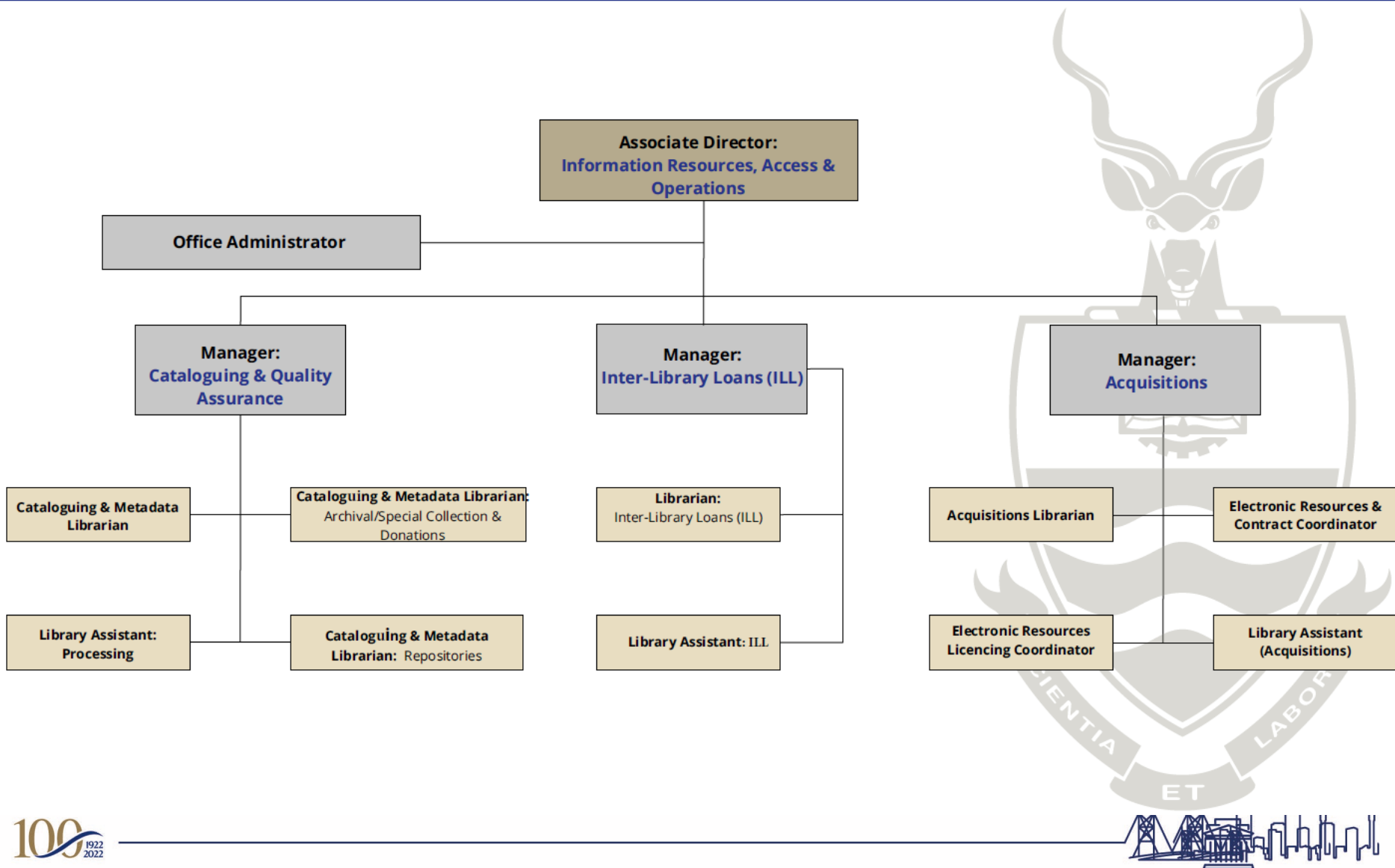


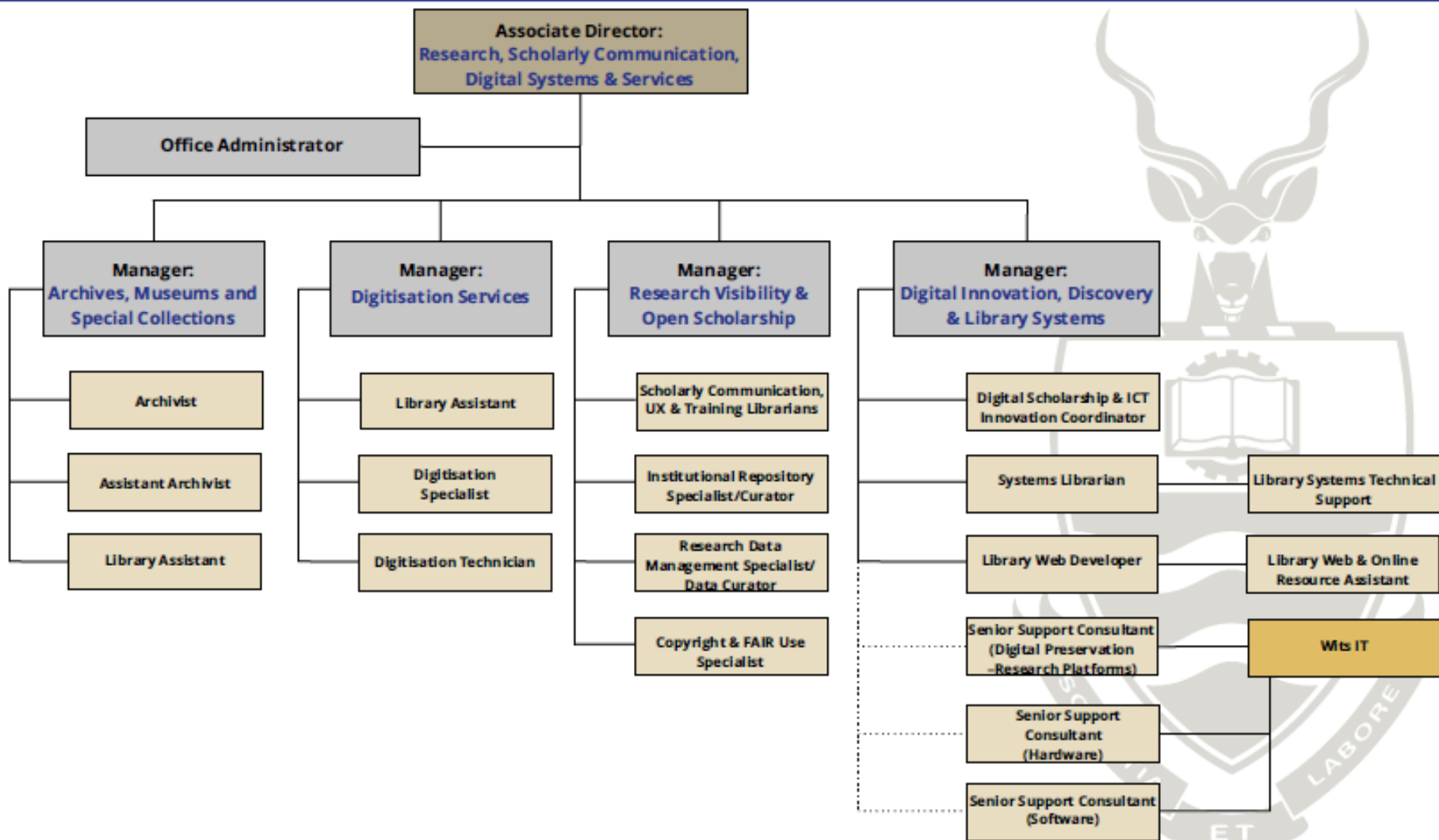
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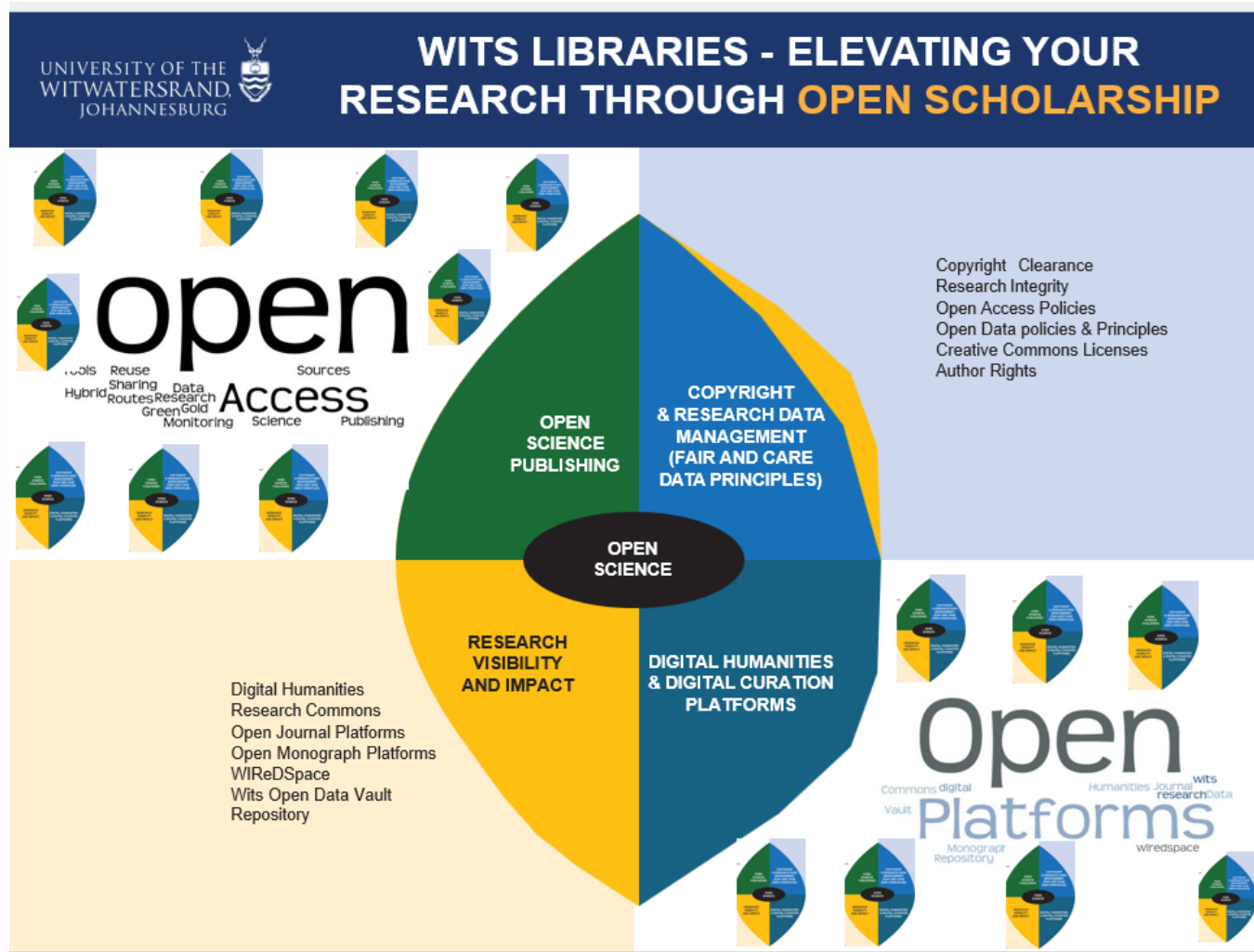








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