

# Measuring ULB scholars output visibility: A quantitative assessment of Scopus metadata quality using Google Refine

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#### Context

- DI-fusion: institutional repository launched in 2009
  - Deployment calendar following the research assessment process currently in progress
  - Mandatory for every researcher to be referenced
- Libraries provide support to the community by
  - Encoding references manually
  - Automatically importing metadata from external sources
  - → Partnership with Elsevier

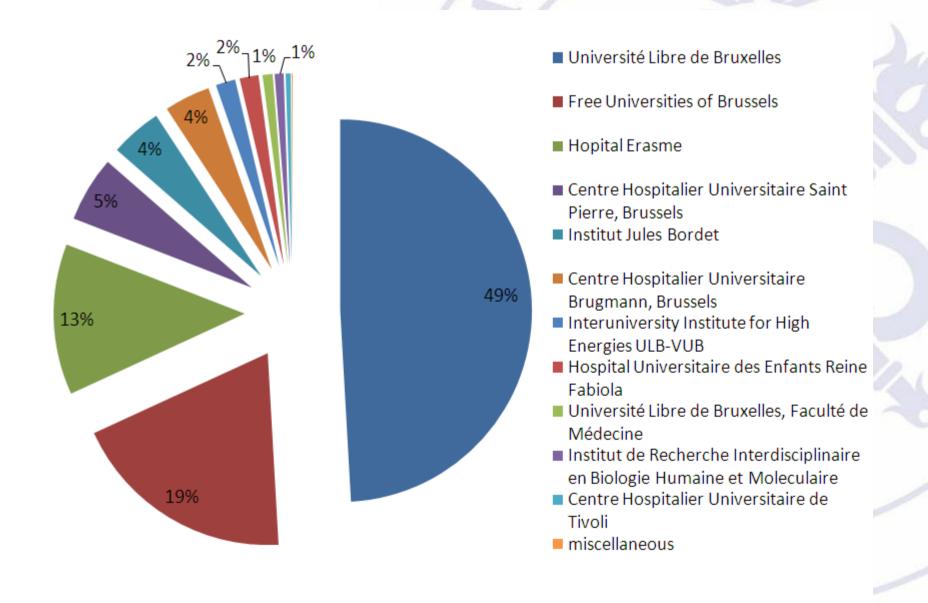


#### Context

- Partnership with Elsevier (Scopus)
  - 49,000 references of ULB scholars in XML
  - Metadata extraction based on author affiliation
  - 43 distinct IDs matching ULB (manually found)
- Several data quality issues
- Need for <u>methods</u> and <u>tools</u>

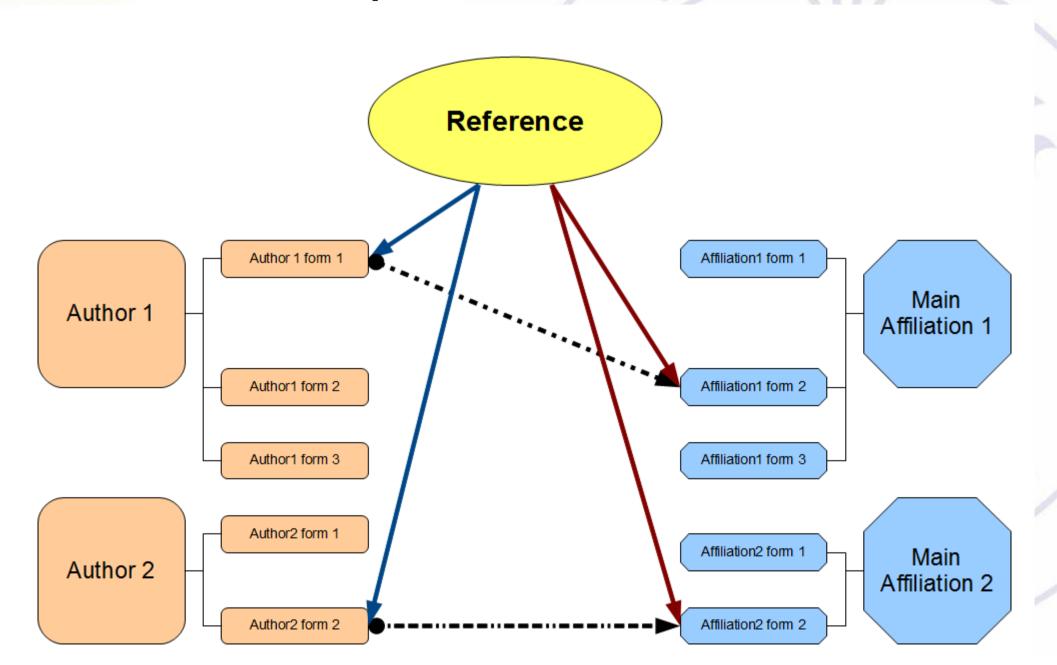


## Main ULB-related affiliations





## Scopus architecture





#### Method

#### 1. Qualitative analysis

- First glimpse at the extent and diversity of issues affecting metadata quality
- Sample of scholars based on criteria hypothesized to be correlated to metadata quality issues:
  - Broad research field
  - Number of published references
  - Name complexity
  - Homonymy



#### Method

#### 2. Quantitative analysis

- Large CSV files containing references extracted from Scopus (sample of 43 known affiliations)
- Three successive steps:
  - a) Data profiling
  - b) Correction and cleaning
  - c) Enrichment and export



## Tool: Google Refine

- Free app to enhance and enrich messy data
- Run locally through a browser interface
- Powerful and multifunctional
  - Detection of doubles
  - Facetting and filtering
  - Clustering near-duplicates
  - Reconciliation with knowledge bases
  - Templating for export



# Creating a project



A power tool for working with messy data.

Open a Project	
Name	Last modified
phm collection utf8	today 9:20 AM
scopus FUB global	yesterday 5:05 PM
scopus FUB	yesterday 3:26 PM
scopus kiss	2 days ago
scopus malaisse 2	2 days ago
refs scopus	2 days ago
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scopus keywords	4 days ago
scopus kw2	4 days ago
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afmu	a month ago
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Create a New Project or Import an Existing Project	
Data file: Choose File or data file URL:	scopus.csv
Project name: scopus  Create Pro	ject
Advanced Options  Limit load to:  rows (blank for all)  Ignore:  o initial non-blank lines  Skip:  o initial data rows	When parsing text files:  Split into columns  Column separator: (leave blank to auto-detect)  Auto-detect value types (numbers, dates, etc)  Header lines:  (use 0 if your data has no header)  Ignore quotation marks



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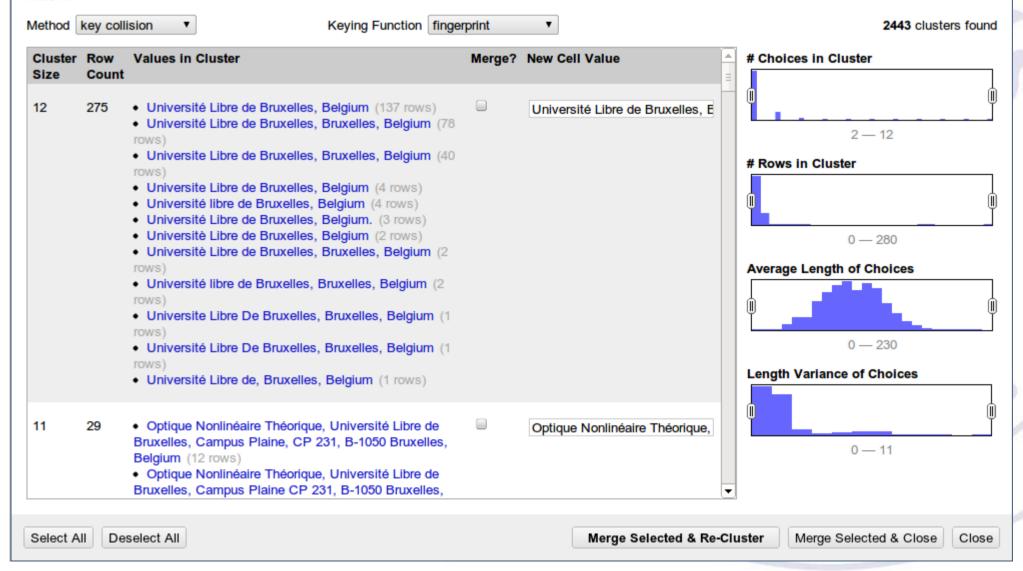
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#### **Affiliations**

#### Cluster & Edit column "Affiliations"

This feature helps you find groups of different cell values that might be alternative representations of the same thing. For example, the two strings "New York" and "new york" are very likely to refer to the same concept and just have capitalization differences, and "Gödel" and "Godel" probably refer to the same person. Find out more ...

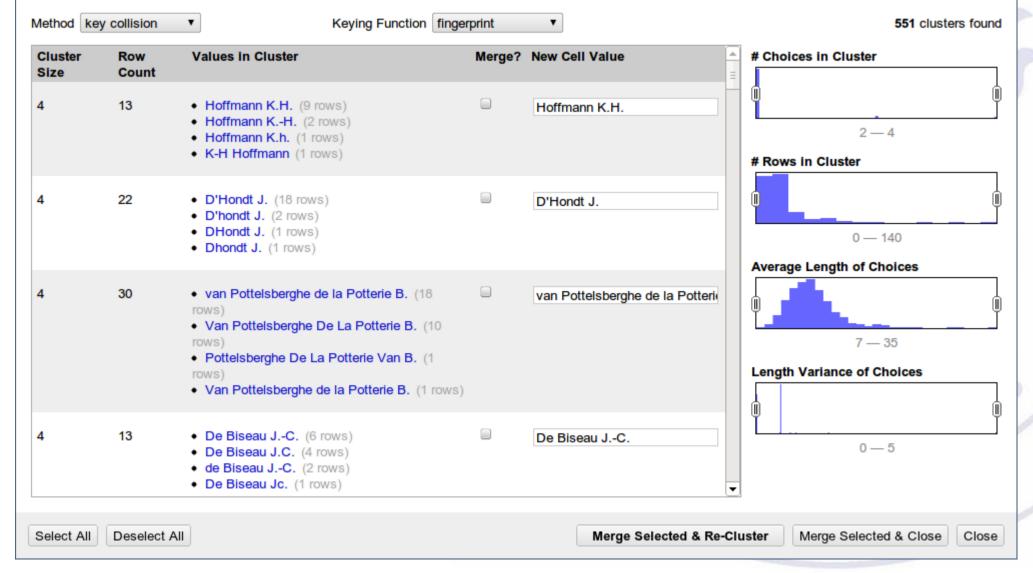




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# Custom transformation

Custom text transform on column Affiliations			
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	8.	Institute of Human Nutrition, Institute of Human Nutrition, Columbia University, New York, NY, United States  NY, United States	
	9.	Schools of Medicine, University of Schools of Medicine, University of Manchester, United Kingdom Kingdom	
	10.	Life Sciences, University of Life Sciences, University of Manchester, United Kingdom  Manchester, United Kingdom	
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### Before/after transformation



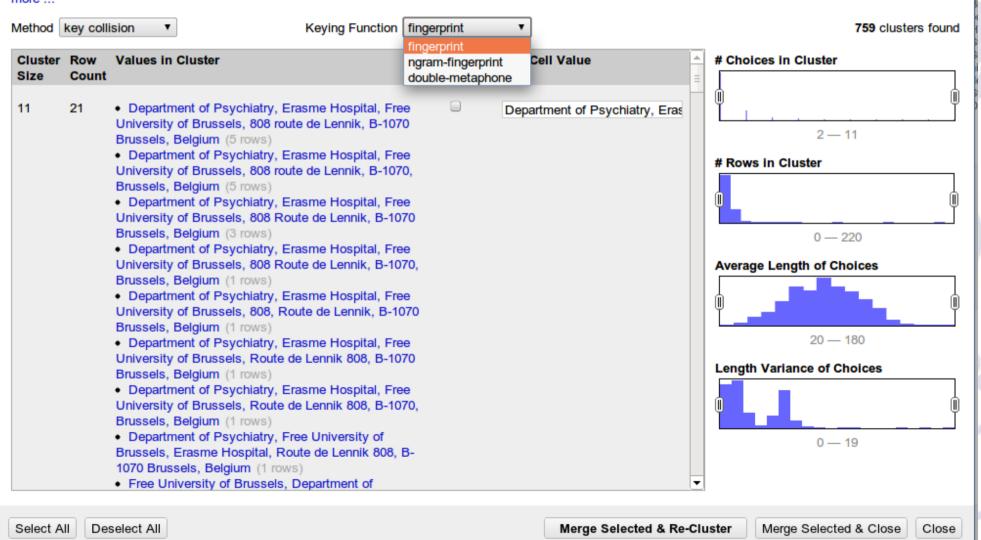




## Recursive clustering

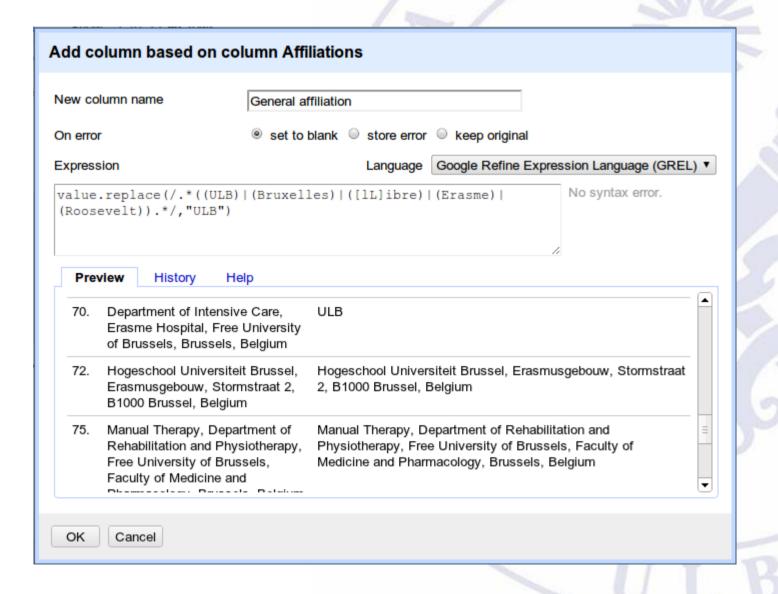
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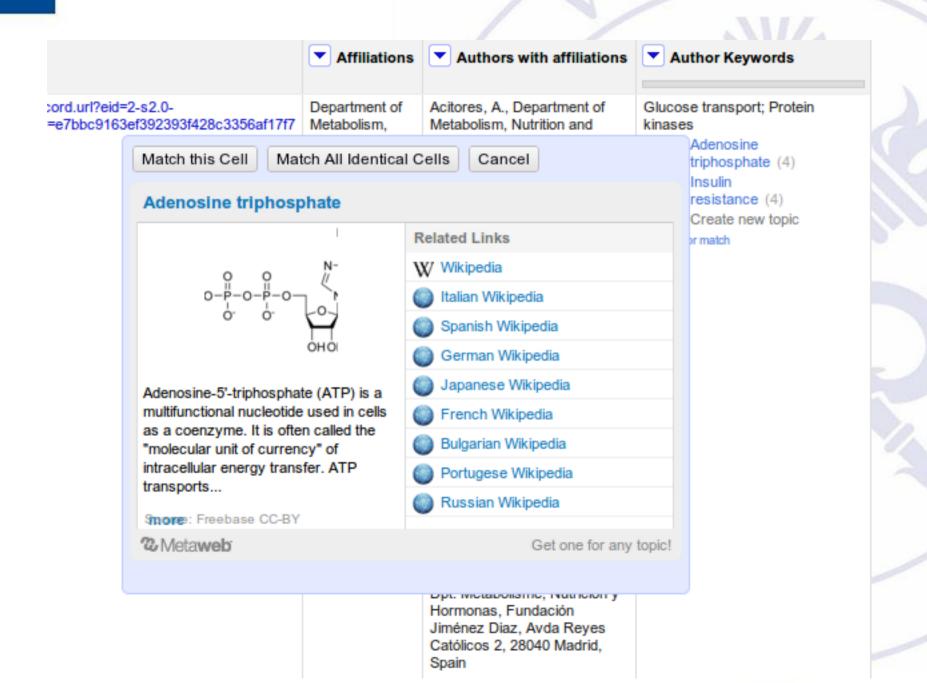


# Affiliation disambiguation





### Reconciliation





# Templating export

#### **Templating Export**

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Prefix
  "rows" : [
Row Template
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      "Title" : {{jsonize(cells["Title"].value)}},
      "Link" : {{jsonize(cells["Link"].value)}},
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Row Separator
Suffix
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    "Title" : "From high hopes to high deficit and
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   "Affiliations" : "IBBT-SMIT, Free University
   "General affiliation" : "VUB",
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   "Author Keywords" : "Blu Ray; European policy;
   "Index Keywords" : "Blu-Ray; European policy;
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#### Conclusions

- Operational framework for improving ULB scholars visibility
  - Complementary methods of analysis
  - Comprehensive assessment of data quality
  - Efficient tools to assist specialists
- Reproducible in similar contexts
- Full paper (to be published) contains practical recommendations for libraries/institutions