



## News Release

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### **Thousands of Journals Now Added to the Pool of Sources: Advanced Plagiarism Detection Against Additional Millions of Academic and Scientific Articles**

*By screening more licensed academic journals and articles, PlagScan provides academia with more time to concentrate on the actual research and teaching.*

(COLOGNE, Germany, October 2019) - **PlagScan, renowned safeguard of Academic Integrity across the world, is happy to announce the upgrade of its advanced database, which now checks against millions of sources of newly added academic journals and articles. By cooperating with several of the most renowned scientific publishers worldwide, professors, instructors and peer-reviewers can now check theses, articles and assignments for plagiarism. Millions of old and new articles published by Taylor & Francis, BMJ, Gale, a Cengage company, and Wiley will now be referenced during the general checking process, and displayed as a new category within the Plagiarism Report. Due to these strategic cooperations, PlagScan will be able to support academia in their quest to assure the highest quality in education and research.**

According to the Annual STM Report<sup>1</sup> and World Bank data<sup>2</sup>, the number of annually published articles in scientific journals is huge and growing: The estimations range between 2.6 and 3 million articles per year. Taking into consideration the vast amount of over 50 million articles being published since 1665<sup>3</sup>, overlooking not correctly cited passages from an already existing scientific article is problematic for honest and original research as well as education at universities.

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<sup>1</sup> International Association of Scientific, Technical and Medical Publishers. (2018). *The STM Report - An overview of scientific and scholarly publishing*. Retrieved October 11, 2019, from [https://www.stm-assoc.org/2018\\_10\\_04\\_STM\\_Report\\_2018.pdf](https://www.stm-assoc.org/2018_10_04_STM_Report_2018.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> The World Bank Group. Scientific and technical journal articles. Retrieved October 11, 2019, from <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/IP.JRN.ARTC.SC>

<sup>3</sup> Jinha, A. (2010). Article 50 million: An estimate of the number of scholarly articles in existence. *Learned Publishing*, 23 (258-263). <https://doi.org/10.1087/20100308>

Therefore, when assessing and evaluating a thesis, article, or assignment, it gets increasingly difficult to spot plagiarism by simply knowing or remembering the referring sources. Failing to do so, constantly puts universities reputation at risk for undetected plagiarism.

PlagScan recognized this challenge for universities and researchers alike, and extended its academic database of sources that texts get checked against by more than 5 million journals and over 14 million articles. Publishers that are now included into the routine plagiarism detection check range from Taylor & Francis, BMJ and Gale to Wiley. The beauty of PlagScan's cooperation with these publishers is that search results can now directly be displayed within the Plagiarism Report of the software, even if the respective article is behind a paywall. That frees up precious time in academia for education and research, and ensures that Academic Integrity is respected across the university.

"PlagScan customers need reliable results when checking documents and research data for plagiarism", states Markus Goldbach, CEO of PlagScan. "Cooperating with major publishers and journals is a milestone in the communities' quest for an honest and fair academic environment."

**More details on the sources and publishers that PlagScan checks are available on <https://www.plagscan.com/en/algorithm-and-sources>**

**For general information on the PlagScan plagiarism and ghostwriting detection solution, please visit [www.plagscan.com](http://www.plagscan.com). Interested members of the press, please feel free to contact us either by email ([press@plagscan.com](mailto:press@plagscan.com)) or by phone +49 (0) 221 75988994.**

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PlagScan is an education software provider, creating tools to safeguard Academic Integrity and Copyrights. We develop high-tech solutions in compliance with strict data security regulations since 2009 and our solutions serve more than 2,000 organizational customers worldwide. PlagScan educates students on the topic of plagiarism and academic integrity to maintain quality of education helping to educate original thinkers and writers.

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