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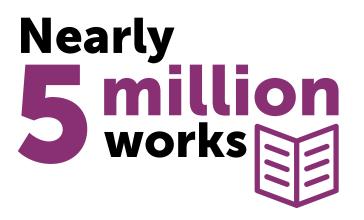


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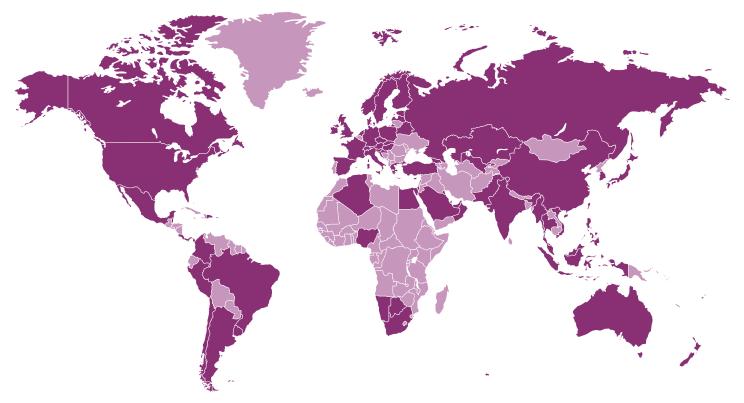


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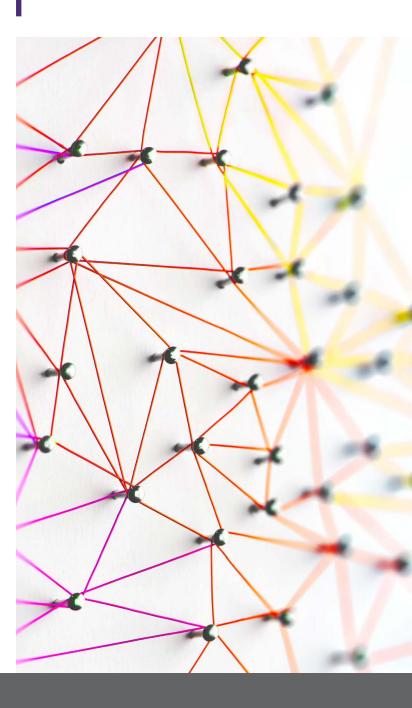
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Digital preservation extends the life of research, ensuring insights and discoveries can have an enduring influence in the discipline.

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Dr. Ian Rowlands
 Research Services Manager & University Bibliometrician
 The University of Leicester



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