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#### **Abstract**:

**Introduction of study**: This study portrays the European Journal of International Law's published data from 2006 - 2019, indexed in the Scopus-Elsevier database.

**Methodology**: The retrieved data tabulated in MS Office Excel Sheet. The author's role and collaboration, type of documents, and association of the first author with the country aimed to explore the issue and year wise frequency of publications.

**Results**: Total 739 documents published and distributed in seven categories original articles 582; 78.7%, followed by 59; 8% review articles and 56; 7.5% editorials got the top slot in the publications. Single or solo authors wrote the documents produced by 841; 1.1% authors, majority 621; 84%; research papers. The affiliation of the first author belongs to forty-three countries. In this study, The United Kingdom on the top slot with 147; 19.8% publications, followed by United States 119; 16.1%, and Italy 118; 16%. Twelve articles published in random years got a maximum of 348 and a minimum of 100 citations.

**Conclusion**: The European Journal of International Law regularly publishes a consistent approach and promotes international law writings. This journal's dynamic is the facilitation of translations from French, Spanish, Italian and German languages to the English language.

**Key words:** Bibliometric, international law, Florence, European University Institute.

#### **Introduction and literature review:**

Some sets of rules, to save the life, property, and honor of a person from another person's misconduct, regulated by society or governmental institutions. Do we wonder why education is necessary for all? Also, Thomas, A.M. (2018) came to rescue us and discussed the philosophy of Adam Smith's about the provision of education, and summarized that "in Smith's view, education conceived broadly to include both the learning of 'wisdom' and 'moral sentiments,' as central to a prosperous or flourishing society." He passed the quote of Smith's position that "education for all is necessary to create a prosperous society."

Newell, L.J (2018) supports Thomas with views that education strives to chase knowledge to serve ideological, ethical, intellectual, political, and religious expectations in the public interest. Wang, J. A (2020) explains and sustenance above arguments that a whole society requires freedom of human, which exists based on the collective wisdom of humanity, correct and right knowledge of rules, and its execution, persuasion, and positive behavior of law enforcement departments. Kuchuk, A.M et al. valued law education. They described that getting this education with realistic understanding provides critical minds that meet ethical requirements and characterized a harmonious society to fulfill education. Yang, X., Song, Z (2019) worried about the; pedagogical performances of teachers, low level of interest in legal education by students, and evaluation methods to gauge the construction of platforms for designing and refinement of law curriculum in the universities of China.

Before Yang, X., Song, Z, Gezer, M (2018) analysis the relations among the attitude of multicultural students, philosophy of education, and potential teachers. The study found that imminent teachers adopted educational philosophies significantly. Meantime, it is acceptable to discuss the participation and collaborations of institutes, policies, and attitudes of researchers in promoting ideas for society's betterment. Let us check what precedents to follow. Hahn, K.A., Galea, S, articulate the role and contribution of the Society for Epidemiologic Research, the American Journal of Epidemiology, and the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in the advancement of research in the subject of epidemiology in forthcoming decades. Similar to Hahn, in 2019, Kulczycki, E, investigated the role of science policy and practices of editors in research published in Polish journals support to evaluate of a journal-ranking system. The researcher collected 801 documents for examining the research evaluation system to help a journal became an international admiration from academic communities.

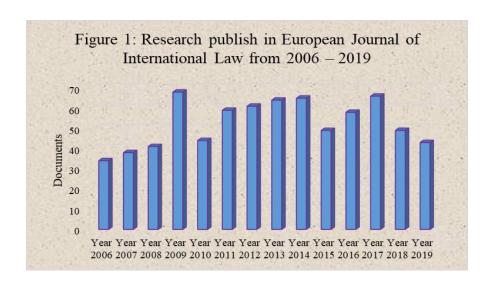
Wood, P.J., Nelson, K. admired the journal Kai Tiaki's contribution and services, an awareness of research among the nurses in terms of writing manuscripts, publishing original articles, and case studies about their practices. Calleigh, A.S. praised editors' role in nourishing the integrity, maintaining the article standards, eradicating the duplications, holding contacts alive with researchers and reviewers, and enforcing the policies to inspire the readers. However, in 1999, Davidhizar, R., Bechtel, G.A. sketched the worries of researchers in publishing their manuscripts not promptly but delayed and recommended to identify and remove the obstacles from acceptance to printing. Law or

set of rules is essential for everyone who lives in society. Types of research pertained to the surface that, how the knowledge of law shows humanity's collective wisdom. Ringholm, T (2018) acknowledged the participation of citizens in the Norwegian municipal planning department in the making of the Act, and its execution is effective or non-effective under the spirit of the law.

Meanwhile, some researchers had concerns that the law does not support a research culture in the field. Bedê, F.S., De Sousa, R.S. (2018) focused on testing this hypothesis; to find out the main aspects of the framework, determined the hurdles, and its validity in Brazil based on observations scripted and produced by the Law department. In this research, they declined the above narrative, with this explanation that "Legal research becoming a sort of "research-advocacy," whereby the confirmation bias would so contaminate a portion of the research that researchers would avoid going to the field." The bibliometric study used to evaluate research culture in the institutes, organizations, and growth of publications in one discipline to sub-fields of that discipline or one specialty to its sub-specialties of any subject. Ruiz-Pomeda, A et al. (2020) conducted a bibliometric study on literature under the title "Bibliometric study of scientific research on optometric visual therapy" published in journals indexed in scientific databases. The study retrieved 294 documents published from 1947 – 2017. Saberi, M.K et al. (2020) visualized the data published in Koomesh journal from 2006 – 2017; the study found 764 articles published during this period. Semnan University of Medical Sciences got first place with 310 papers due to the affiliation of the first author in articles.

**Material & Methods**: Scopus-Elsevier Database is best for qualitative and quantitative research utilizing its indexed journals. The *European Journal of International Law* is renowned as an academic journal for law and litigation worldwide. The publish data of as year and issue wise, types of documents, contribution of authors in publications, authorship pattern, the associations of the first author with countries, and top-cited articles in journals *from* 2006 – 2019. The data downloaded and stored for tabulation in MS Office Excel Sheet 2010 in August 2020. Comma-separated values (CSV) and plain text file on Note-paid utilized, self-possessed "1560 - 9014", an International Standard Serial Number (ISSN), was helpful as the source.

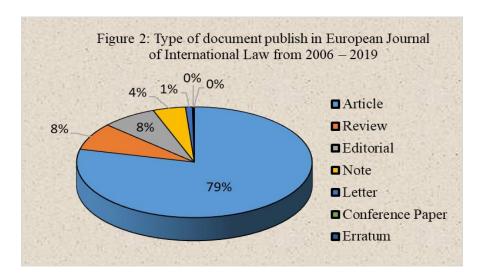
**Results**: Figure 1 and Table 1 shows a detailed picture of the European Journal of International Law. In fourteen years, 739 (197.7 per year and 12.1 per issue) documents were published from 2006 - 2019. Results reveal that the first three-year journal published 113; 15.2% documents in six issues from 2006 – 2008. The publications' ratio shows as a maximum 68; 9.2% and 34; 4.6% as a minimum in the years 2009 and 2006.



**Table 1**: Research productivity published in the European Journal of International Law for the period 2006 - 2019.

S. No	Years	Issue 1	Issue 2	Issue 3	Issue 4	Issue 5	Total	%
1	Year 2006	11	5	6	6	6	34	4.6%
2	Year 2007	9	5	7	8	9	38	5.1%
3	Year 2008	8	6	6	7	14	41	5.5%
4	Year 2009	10	9	21	28		68	9.2%
5	Year 2010	13	8	11	12		44	6%
6	Year 2011	12	17	17	13		59	8%
7	Year 2012	17	12	16	16		61	8.2%
8	Year 2013	26	13	10	15		64	8.6%
9	Year 2014	28	11	15	11		65	8.8%
10	Year 2015	12	12	10	15		49	6.6%
11	Year 2016	10	14	15	19		58	7.8%
12	Year 2017	16	15	15	20		66	9%
13	Year 2018	13	15	1	20		49	6.6%
14	Year 2019	14	15	14			43	5.8%
		172	127	149	170	29	739	
·							197.7	12.1
		23.7%	17.1%	20.1%	23%	4%	per	per issue
							year	

Original and review articles, case reports, short communications, editorials, letters to editors, conference papers, erratum, corrigendum, and notes are famous forms of international academic journals. Figure 2 and Table 2 indicate that 78.7 percent of publications in the European Journal of International Law existing on articles followed by editorials 8% as documents.



**Table 2**: Documents published in the European Journal of International Law for the period 2006 – 2019.

S. No	Documents	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total	Average
1	Article	33	36	29	44	39	47	54	55	59	42	53	60	26	5	582	41.5%
2	Review	1		2	2	1	1							17	35	59	8.4%
3	Editorial		2	7	8	4	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	1	56	4.3%
4	Note			3	8		5	2	4	2	3	1	2	2	1	33	3%
5	Letter				6		1									7	3.5%
6	Conference Paper													1		1	1%
7	Erratum		·				·				·	·	·		1	1	1%
	Total	34	38	41	68	44	59	61	64	65	49	58	66	49	43	739	52.7%

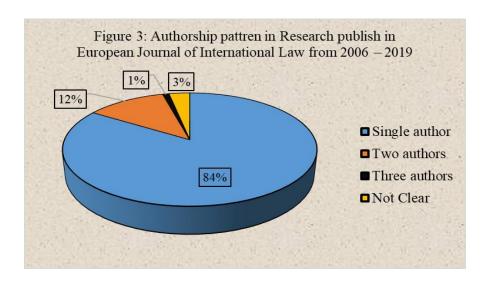
Table 3 reveals the top twelve cited articles published in random years got a maximum of 348 and a minimum of 100 citations. The articles published in the year 2009 got full 580 citations, followed by 478 and 412 citations years 2008 and 2006.

	le 3: Top cited docu od 2006 – 2019	uments published in the European Journal of International	ational La	w for the		
S. No	Authors	Title of article	Year	Cited times		
1	McCrudden C.	Crudden C. Human dignity and judicial interpretation of human rights				
2	Kingsbury B.	The concept of 'law' in global administrative law	2009	193		
3	Koskenniemi M.	The politics of international law - 20 years later	2009	174		
4	Harlow C.	Global administrative law: The quest for principles and values	2006	165		
5	Sivakumaran S.	Sexual violence against men in armed conflict	2007	143		
6	Meidinger E.	The administrative law of global private-public regulation: The case of forestry	2006	140		
7	Nouwen S.M.H., & Werner W.G.	Doing justice to the political: The international criminal court in Uganda and Sudan	2010	138		
8	Helfer L.R.	Redesigning the European Court of Human Rights: Embeddedness as a deep structural principle of the European human rights regime	2008	130		
9	Peters A.	Humanity as the A and $\Omega$ of sovereignty	2009	113		
10	Cassese A.	The Nicaragua and Tadić Tests revisited in light of the ICJ judgment on genocide in Bosnia	2007	109		
11	Krisch N.	The pluralism of global administrative law	2006	107		
12	Tams C.J.	The use of force against terrorists	2009	100		

Shared composing is recognizable in this period among specialists in places of their discipline, and data innovation devices are backing to researchers to satisfy the goals of their interdisciplinary investigation for advancing in unadulterated science into applied sciences. Kumar, S (2018) criticized the role of co-authorship as considered a reliable substitution for assessment of micro or macro level in scholarly collaboration. He dislikes the position of honorary or ghost authorship and advised to put their names in footnotes or bottom of articles with "Acknowledge" appropriately. Two years earlier of Kumar, Badar, K., et al. (2016) investigate the research performance, relationship, and nature of co-author in terms of academic ranks, gender, institutional affiliation, and ties between research and the character of co-author, and found supportive in investigative research. <sup>19</sup>

**Figure 3 and Table 4** show the mesmerizing combination of participated authors in the research published in the European Journal of International Law for 2006 – 2019. Total 716; 96.8% of a document written by 841 authors, an average of 1.1% per document out of 739 papers. A vast 621; 84% of research was written by the single or solo author, followed 88 articles written by two (176 authors) and seven; 1% documents by three (21

authors); instead of these results, researchers could not found the names or figures of 23; 3% documents published in this journal.



**Table 4**: Pattern of authorship in research productivity of the European Journal of International Law for the period 2006 - 2019.

S. No	Authors	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total	Total authors
1	Single author	27	35	37	58	38	54	50	53	53	39	53	51	40	33	621	621
2	Two authors	7	3	3	9	4	4	9	6	9	5	2	10	7	10	88	176
3	Three authors			1		2			1	1		1	1			7	21
1	Not Clear				1		1	2	4	2	5	2	4	2		23	23
	Total	34	38	41	68	44	59	61	64	65	49	58	66	49	43	739	841

**Figure 4** shows that the first authors affiliated with 43 countries participated in 739 documents. The United Kingdom got the first slot with 147; 19.8% publications, followed by United States 119; 16.1%, and Italy 118; 16%. Moreover, table five expresses the breakdown of participation of countries in publications. Greece, Ireland, Norway, and South Africa Participated in 04 articles. Cambodia, China, Denmark, Japan, Luxembourg, Malaysia, and Sweden with 03 documents. Seven countries; Argentine, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, India, and Turkey contributed with 02

articles. Eight countries; Chile, Hong Kong, Iceland, Jamaica, Latvia, Mexico, Poland, and Serbia added one paper.

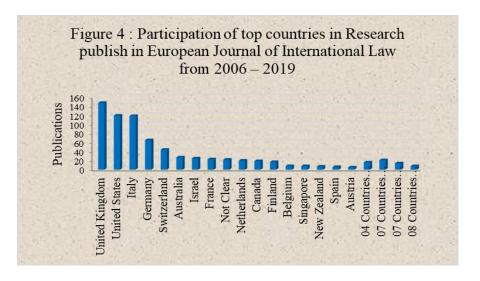


Table 5: Participation of top countries in Research publish in European								
Journal o	of International Law from 2006 – 2019	T						
	Name of Country	Publications	%					
1	United Kingdom	147	19.89%					
2	United States	119	16.10%					
3	Italy	118	15.97%					
4	Germany	65	8.80%					
5	Switzerland	44	5.95%					
6	Australia	27	3.65%					
7	Israel	25	3.38%					
8	France	23	3.11%					
9	Not Clear	22	2.98%					
10	Netherlands	20	2.71%					
11	Canada	19	2.57%					
12	Finland	17	2.30%					
13	Belgium	8	1.08%					
14	Singapore	8	1.08%					
15	New Zealand	7	0.95%					
16	Spain	6	0.81%					
17	Austria	5	0.68%					
18	04 Countries participate with 04 articles	16	2.17%					
19	07 Countries participate with 03 articles	21	2.84%					
20	07 Countries participate with 02 articles	14	1.89%					

21	08 Countries participate with 01 article	8	1.08%
		739	

#### **Discussion & Conclusion:**

The peer-review journal facilitates researchers on presenting dialogue among the visibility of ideas, discusses the theoretical approaches of these ideas, focuses on the publication process, maintains long-term guidelines for every contributor of that journal, and develops knowledge within research and communication to knowledge seekers on specific disciplines. European Journal of International Law possesses its trust: readers, writers, and publishers' management. Every journal has a critical associate editor's post, and from this place, a high-quality review process gets takeoff any manuscript.

The average of publications shows the sturdy bond among the troika of readers, writers, and publishers; four editorials' issues per annum explain the sincerity and connection of editors, note, letters, and erratum combination acidity to accept mistakes and errors to clear and justified. Original and review articles are the backbones of every intellectual activity start from discussing the problem, flourish ideas, and putting suggestions. It is evident that the European Journal of International Law standing in a high place in the law and litigation community.

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