

Towards decolonial ways of thinking Antarctic Social Sciences and Humanities?

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Stephen J. Pyne in his book “The Ice. A journey to Antarctica” points out that ice structures in Antarctica present different variations in their form, shapes and movements. Such variations also happen in the diversity of knowledge production on the White Continent. Despite Antarctic Humanities and Social Sciences have grown in publications records over the last years, it is worth to have a look at the way it has been shaped. This paper explores the literature on Antarctic Social Sciences and Humanities published in English, Spanish and Portuguese. In doing so, we collected data from papers published in journals indexed in Scopus, Scielo and Latindex in the period 2013-2019. The results highlight the tendencies in the knowledge production and concerning Antarctica, focus on the main questions and major topics of interests, the funding institutions, the author affiliations of the most cited papers, the scientific collaborations networks, the types of knowledge circulation between countries and regions, and the perceptions about the future of Antarctica. This paper aims to promote discussions on decolonial and geopolitical approaches in the production of knowledge on the Antarctic Social Sciences and Humanities.