UNCITED or LOWLY CITED
What worries you the most?

Background

- 10%-30% of academic papers published in the high impact factor journals remain uncited after 4 years and beyond, as quoted by Nature

- There is a concern that researchers are actively lobbying or posting their full-texts at open portals to improve citation counts

- Though that approach could help to cross the zero mark of the citation barometer, the progress remains almost stagnant after years

Facts

Publication after 10 years.....

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Source: Citation analysis on Web of Science dated on 11th December, 2018

- From the analysis of the three select countries, more than 50% of the academic papers remain lowly cited (0 – 20 citation counts) after 10 years

- It reflects the urgency of research outreach before knowledge becomes out-of-date
44% being cited more than 20 times over 10 years

31% being cited more than 20 times over 10 years

26% being cited more than 20 times over 10 years

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