

Pressure Injuries in Different Disciplines: A Bibliometric Analysis / Farklı Disiplinlerde Basınç Yaralanması: Bir Bibliyometrik Analiz

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Öz

Giris: Gelisen sağlık teknolojileri ve bircok koruyucu yaklasıma rağmen, basınc yaralanmaları sağlık profesyonelleri ve sağlık maliyetleri için güncel sağlık sorunları arasında yer almaya devam etmektedir. Amac: Bu calısma, basınc varalanmaları ile ilgili farklı disiplinlerdeki yazar, dergi ve atıf sayısı gibi çalışmaların özelliklerini incelemek ve daha sonraki çalışmalara bir bakış açısı sağlamak amacıyla yapılmıştır. Gereç ve Yöntemler: Araştırmanın analizinde bibliyometrik analiz yöntemi, MS-Excel programı ve Vosviwer programı kullanılmıştır. Veri tabanı "basınç ülseri", "basınç yarası", basınç varalanmaları", "vatak varası", "basınc varaları", "dekübit ülseri" ve "dekübitus" anahtar kelimeleri kullanılarak arandı. Bulgular: Çalışma kriterleri için toplam 4224 araştırma makalesi, kitap bölümü ve inceleme çalışmaları analiz edildi. Araştırma sonuçlarına göre ilk makalenin 1949 yılında yayınlandığı, en fazla çalışmanın 2021 yılında yapıldığı, çalışmaların %87,2'sinin hemşirelik, %13,3'ünün ise Journal of Wound Care dergisinde yayınlandığı belirlendi. Yayınların %87,9'unun İngilizce ve %26,7'sinin Amerika Birleşik Devletleri'nde yapıldığı saptandı. Ülkelerin yayın sayıları ile gayri safi milli hasılaları pozitif anlamlı bir iliski olduğu saptandı (r=0.774. arasında ve p<0.009). Sonuç ve Öneriler: Araştırma sonucuna dayanarak yıllar içinde basınç yaralanması ile ilgili çalışmaların artmasına rağmen yazar işbirliğinde azalma olduğu, çalışmaların ağırlıklı olarak hemşirelik alanında yapıldığı ve ilgili dergilerde yayınlandığı, ayrıca multidisipliner yaklaşım eksikliğinin olduğu sonucuna varıldı. Bu araştırma, yeni araştırmacılara konuya yönelik çalışmalarda, hangi anahtar kelimeleri kullanabilecekleri, hangi yazarların makalelerini inceleyebilecekleri konusunda yol gösterici olabileceği düşünülmektedir. Araştırma sonuçlarına dayanarak, basınç yaralanmasının önlenmesi için disiplinler arası işbirliğinin teşvik edilmesi önerilmektedir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: Bibliyometrik analiz, Bası yarası, Veritabanı

Abstract

Introduction: Despite developing health technologies and many preventive approaches, pressure injuries are still among the current health problems for health professionals and health costs. Aim: This study was conducted to examine the features of the studies on pressure injuries in different disciplines like authors, journals, and the number of citations and provide a perspective for further studies.Material and Methods: The study used the bibliometric analysis method, MS Excel program, and Vosviwer. The data were searched using the keywords "pressure ulcer", "pressure wound", pressure injuries", bedsore", "pressure sores", "decubitus ulcer", and "decubitus" Results: A total of 4224 research articles, book chapters, and review articles were analyzed for the study criteria. The results showed that the first article was published in 1949, the highest number of studies was done in 2021, 87.2% of the studies were nursing, and 13.3% were published in the Journal of Wound Care. 87.9% of the studies were published in English, and 26.7% were published in the United States of America. It was determined that there was a positive relationship between the number of publications and the gross national product of the



countries (r=0.774, p<0.009). Conclusion and suggestions: It was concluded that despite the increasing number of studies on pressure injury over the years, there was a decrease in author collaboration, the studies were primarily conducted in nursing and published in relevant journals, and there was a lack of a multidisciplinary approach. With this research, new researchers will be asked research to be conducted on the subject when researching pressure injury, it provides researchers with which keywords they can use, which authors' articles they can review, and collaborative research by the authors. Based on the research results, encouraging interdisciplinary collaboration and interdisciplinary cooperation is recommended for pressure injury prevention.

Keywords: Bibliometric Analysis, Pressure sore, database

1.Introduction

Pressure injury (PI) is defined as an injury caused by external factors such as pressure, shearing, friction force, and patient-related factors such as age and gender in the tissue under the bony prominence. (Machado et al., 2022). It is reported that factors such as pressure, humidity, friction, tearing, immobilization, lack of activity, impairment in sensory perception, nutrition, oxygenation, and skin temperature may be effective in the development of PI, especially in patients with impaired mobility (Bostan, Worsley, Abbas, & Bader, 2019; Coleman et al., 2013a) Although terms such as bedsore, decubitus ulcer, decubitus, pressure sore, pressure injury are used interchangeably in the literature, the most common expression is "pressure injury" as it develops due to pressure (Akvüz & Alkan, 2022). Although it is a preventable health problem, the treatment of PI is time-consuming and costly, and prolonged care leads to prolonged hospitalization and thus significant complications like infection and pain (Minteer et al., 2020). A pressure injury can negatively affect the patient's physical and psychological health due to social isolation (6). Incidence and prevalence studies on pressure injury provide important information on the development of PI and are considered to be an indicator of the quality of medical and nursing care (7). Systematic presentation of research or studies on a specific topic or field can be a guide for other researchers. In addition to studies such as systematic reviews and metaanalyses, it is emphasized that bibliometric analysis is an innovative method that can be preferred for comprehensive and complex systematic reviews (Seyran, 2020). In this context, many studies were conducted on PI, including different disciplines, and this present research aimed to provide a different perspective for other future research using the bibliometric analysis method.

2. Material and Methods

Bibliometric analysis is a research method used in library and information science to evaluate previous, current, and future research trends of authors, journals, and institutions on a particular topic, and to identify the most productive journals by examining publication patterns. Therefore, in this study, the bibliometric method was used for the analytical analysis of the PI issue. The data were obtained by searching the Elsevier **SCOPUS** database (https://www.scopus.com/search/form.uri?display=basic#basic) of the xxx University online library. A total of 27,596 studies were accessed in the SCOPUS database and searched by the keywords determined for pressure injury. After certain filters were added, 4809 studies published in peer-reviewed journals including specific disciplines (Nursing, Engineering, Materials Science, Health Professionals, Social Sciences, Multidisciplinary Research, Computer Science, and Psychology) were reached. The Medical Subject Heading (MeSH) database was first searched using the pressure sore keyword. The results were determined as "pressure sore", "pressure sore", "bed sore", "pressure sore", "pressure sore", "decubitus" and "decubitus ulcer". In the SCOPUS database search engine, using only the "and" bool operator, a search was done with all the keywords related to the topic in MESH, and the investigation was started for this search result. Only original articles, reviews, and book chapters were included in the study by



filtering the SCOPUS database—no country or language filtering was applied. Since the SCOPUS database is up-to-date and the research flow is considered, a single-day search was made on 02.06.2022. VOSviewer (Version 1.6.16, Leiden University Center for Science and Technology Studies, The Netherlands) package program was used to create network visualizations such as keyword density, keyword collaboration, author collaboration and co-citations of authors.

2.1. Type of study

In the research, a scanning model, which is one of the descriptive methods, was used.

2.2. Place / Time of study

The data were obtained by searching the Elsevier SCOPUS database (https://www.scopus.com/search/form.uri?display=basic#basic) of the Giresun University online library.

2.3. Sample of Study

The population, sampling, and sampling methods were not used. A database scan was done.

2.4. Data Collection Tools

MS office excel program was used as data collection tool

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2.6. Ethical Permission

Ethical permission is not required as the data of the research constitutes published studies

2.7. Statistical Analysis

Ms office program was used to create the world map showing the graphics, five-year seasonal forecasts and the distribution of the articles by country. Statistical analyzes for correlation were performed with SPSS (Version 22.0, SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL) package program.



3.Results

As a result of the research, 4224 studies were reached in line with the filters made. It was determined that the first study on pressure injuries within the specified limits was made in 1949, and 89 studies were carried out in 2022 (Chart 1).

Chart 1. Distribution of PI Articles Published by Year, and Predictions Number of Article in the Next Five Year



Accordingly, it was determined that 87.2% (n=3687) of the studies were published in the field of nursing and 13.3% (n=563) were published in the Journal of Wound Care. The distribution of the number of articles on the subject by years is shown in Graph 1. Looking at the forecast model, an average of 229 (min196-max263) in 2023, an average of 245 (min184-max291) in 2024, an average of 249 (min180-max305) in 2025, an average of 236 (min194-max301) in 2026, in 2027 t is estimated that the research article can be made an average of 236 (min194-max301). These analyzes were made at the 95% confidence interval the lower limit and upper limit by calculating using the seasonal forecast analysis tab in the Microsoft Excel program. Table 1 and Figure 1 show the languages and countries of the published studies on PI. 26.7% in the United States, 16.2% in the United Kingdom, 4.6% in Australia, 4.1% in Brazil, 2.8% in Spain, 2% in China and the Netherlands, 7% in Germany and 2% in Japan publication has been made. The languages of publication are respectively English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, German, Chinese, Italian, Korean, and Greek.

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Country	Number (%)	Language	Number (%)
United States	1131 (%26.7)	English	3708 (%87.8)
United Kingdom	685 (%16.2)	French	199 (%4.7)
Australia	198 (%4.6)	Spanish	116 (%2.7)
Brazil	177 (%4.1)	Portuguese	111 (%2.6)
Spain	146 (%3.4)	Russian	46 (%1.1)
China	119 (%2.8)	German	29 (%0.6)
France	119 (%2.8)	Chinese	28 (%0.6)
Netherlands	117 (%2.7)	Italian	21 (%0.4)
Germany	87 (%2.1)	Korean	18 (%0.4)
Japan	84 (%2.0)	Polish	15 (%0.3)

*n=4224



Figure 1. Global World Map Showing the Distribution of Published Articles on Pressure Injuries by Country.

Table 2 shows the most cited study, author and year information, and the number of citations. According to the table, the study titled "The Braden Scale for predicting pressure sore risk" by Bergstrom N. et al. published in the Journal of Nursing Research ranked first with 942 citations. The cited journals and the number of citations were related to nursing science.

References	Citation (n)	Sources	Year	Name of Article
Bergstrom N, et al. ((Bergstrom,	942	Nursing Research	1987	The braden scale for predicting
Braden, Laguzza, & Holman, 1987))				pressure sore risk
Blum W, et al. (10)	403	Proceedings of the	2010	Clinical response and miR-29b
		National Academy of		predictive significance in older AML
		Sciences of the United		patients treated with a 10-day
		States of America		schedule of decitabine
Edsberg LE, el al. ((Edsberg et al.,	379	Journal of Wound, Ostomy	2016	Revised National Pressure Ulcer
2016))		and Continence Nursing		Advisory Panel Pressure Injury
				Staging System
Coleman S, et al. ((Coleman et al.,	379	International Journal of	2013	
2013b))		Nursing Studies		Patient risk factors for pressure ulcer
				development: Systematic review
Harrington, C, et al.((Harrington,	366	Journals of Gerontology -	2000	Nursing home staffing and its
Zimmerman, Karon, Robinson, &		Series B Psychological		relationship to deficiencies
Beutel, 2000))		Sciences and Social		
		Sciences		
Pancorbo-Hidalgo, PL, et al.	364	Journal of Advanced	2006	Risk assessment scales for pressure
((Pancorbo-Hidalgo RN, Pedro		Nursing		ulcer prevention: A systematic review
Garcia-Fernandez, Lopez-Medina				
Student RN, Alvarez-Nieto, &				
Pancorbo-Hidalgo, 2006))				
Blegen MA, et al.((Blegen, Goode,	340	Nursing Research	1998	Nurse Staffing and Patient Outcomes
& Reed, 1998))				
Rimmer JH, et al. ((Rimmer, 1999))	311	Physical Therapy	1999	Health promotion for people with
				disabilities: The emerging paradigm
				shift from disability prevention to
				prevention of secondary conditions
Dealey C, et al. ((Dealey, Posnett, &	305	Journal of Wound Care	2012	
Walker, 2011))				The cost of pressure ulcers in the
				United Kingdom
Posnett J, et al. ((Posnett & Franks,	293		2008	The burden of chronic wounds in the
2008))		Nursing Times		<u>UK.</u>

Table 2 .Top 10 Most Cited Studies on Pressure Injuries (n=4224)

3.1. Keyword Anaylsis and Trend Topics



Visualized density maps of keywords are shown in Figure 2. According to Figure 2 yellow color gives the most frequently used keywords and it is seen that the most used keywords are pressure ulcer and prevalence. The cluster network visualization map shows the results. It was seen that PI subjects were divided into 31 different clusters.

	topical negative pressure apoptosis	
	npwt ^{prp} finite element model	
	wound healing decubitus diabetic foot ulcers turkey cost pressure sores interface pressure pain treatment spinal cord injury _{literature} review	artificial neural net
pressure ulcer risk assessment	pressure ulcer	
	clinical practice germany prevalence barriers nursing informatics Incidence attitude jordan	
	pain intensity quality improvement child magnet hospital pressure sensor burns documentation ventilation	histology
	hospital-acquired pressure inj ireland scandinavia	

Figure 2. Visualized Density Map of Keywords

Keywords collected as clusters in 31 different colors are shown in Figure 3. Each color denotes a distinct cluster. The color of keywords in the same group is the same. The circle represents the number of times the keyword is used in the article.



Figure 3. Visualized Network Map of Related Keywords

3.2. Author Collaboration

Figure 4 provides a year-based tier map of the co-publishing authors' work to identify authors' collaboration. The color scale indicates author collaborations; familiar publication images of these colors by years are presented.



Figure 4. Collaborating of Authors

3.3. Correlation Analysis

The Gross National Products of the first ten countries that published on pressure injuries for the year 2021 were taken and the relationship between the income status of the countries and the number of researches was examined. According to the results of the correlation analysis, it was found that there was a moderate positive correlation between the financial development status of the countries and the number of publications, r=0.774, p<0.009, (significance level was accepted in the 95% confidence interval).

4. Discussion

In this study, a total of 4224 studies including research articles, compilations, and book chapters in the fields of nursing, engineering, materials science, health professionals, social sciences, multidisciplinary fields, computer science, and psychology were reached without year limitation. According to the year analyses made in our research, it has been determined that there has been an increasing number of studies in recent years. According to the seasonal analysis (estimation), it has been calculated that the number of studies may increase in the following years. A pressure injury is a health complication whose cause cannot be determined exactly and which is still up-to-date. According to the seasonal analysis, it is thought that the increase in the results of the research to be made in the coming years may be due to the

stated reasons. It has been determined in light of the findings that more studies have been carried out in the field of nursing compared to other fields. It was determined that only 2% of the studies were in the multidisciplinary field therefore, It is thought that the researches on interdisciplinary cooperation are insufficient. It was especially determined that the number of studies in the discipline of nursing is high. In light of the findings, integrating the scientific outputs of nursing research with different disciplines and research can provide important scientific contributions. ("Bilimsel Dergi-Vikipedi https://Tr.Wikipedia.Org/Wiki/Bilimsel dergi," n.d.). Scientific journals are an effective way to present research results or an important topic and to guide research fields and researchers. According to the results of the research, it was determined that almost all of the studies on PI were published in journals related to nursing science. It is thought that PI awareness should be increased in the branches of science dealing with technical issues other than health and medicine, and therefore the number of publications should be increased. As a result, it can be aimed to increase awareness by increasing the number of publications in other scientific journals outside the field of nursing. The fact that English is a common language accepted in the world provides an advantage in accessing scientific knowledge in academic conditions. According to the results of the research, the percentage of publication language was determined as English. According to the research findings, the top 10 countries that have published on the subject are given. Although there are a limited number of studies, it has been determined that there are publications in countries such as Canada, Ireland, Turkey, and Finland. When we look at the results, the prevention policies of the countries suggest that the numbers for the number of publications may be related. The literature review is defined as a significant phase in the research process, but in practice, an inadequate review may cause the researcher to lose time due to difficulty accessing the content, so the importance of keywords in process management is emphasized (Köroğlu, 2015). The study revealed that the keyword "pressure ulcer" was used intensively, and especially the terms "incidence", "prevalence", "pain", "wound healing", and "decubitus" were related. It is thought that the map created for keywords will provide convenience and direction to researchers while searching the literature. In the network map for author collaboration, it was determined that authors were in collaboration under 27 clusters and the collaboration networks were clustered according to the colors. Author collaboration map, yellow, blue, green, red, orange, etc. showed that the authors interested in colors had more cooperation among themselves and the level of cooperation was intensely high between 2000-2010. It is thought that the level of cooperation has decreased in recent years. It is thought that this situation may be due to the increase in isolation due to increasing infectious diseases and quarantine processes, and the decrease in the number of publications and collaborations on the subject. The effectiveness of scientific publications is determined by bibliometric studies. With these studies, the most productive authors, countries, organizations, cooperation between authors, and keywords used in the literature review can be determined and can guide different research topics and authors. (Akyüz & Alkan, 2022). Studies conducted with the bibliometric analysis method for different fields are found in the literature (Benton, Cusack, Jabbour, & Penney, 2016; Cullen, 2016; Damar Turhan, Bilik, Ozdagoglu, Ozdagoglu, & Damar, 2018; Prado-gasc, Giménez-, & De Witte, 2021). It is becoming increasingly challenging for researchers working in nursing and other disciplines to find a research topic, search the literature, or publish research results, so studies conducted with the bibliometric analysis methods can contribute to researchers in this competitive environment (Damar Turhan et al., 2018). It is estimated that this study, which will be a source for examining the current situation in pressure injuries, will contribute to future studies.

5.Conclusion and Sugestions

It was concluded that despite the increasing number of studies on pressure injury over the years, there was a decrease in author collaboration, the studies were primarily conducted in nursing and published in relevant journals, and there was a lack of a multidisciplinary approach. With this research, new researchers will be asked research to be conducted on the subject when researching pressure injury, it

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