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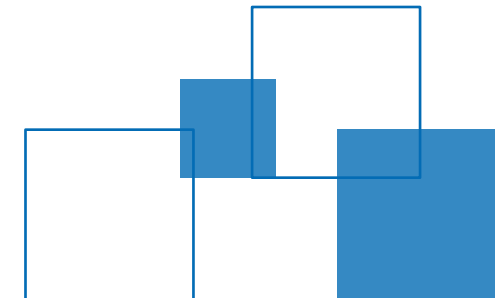
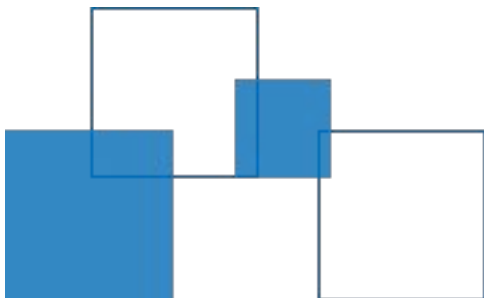
THE JOURNAL CULTURAL-HISTORICAL PSYCHOLOGY AS A SPACE FOR DIALOGUE AND DEVELOPMENT OF VYGOTSKY’S SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL: CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF PUBLICATION

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**Vladimir
Zinchenko
(2005–2014)**



**Boris
Elkonin
(2014–2023)**



**Vitaly
Rubtsov,
since 2024**

PRISMA flow diagram: J-CHP and CJ-CHP Datasets



* в анализ вошли публикации с типом документа «статья» и/или «обзор» с типом источника «журнал» за период 2005—2024

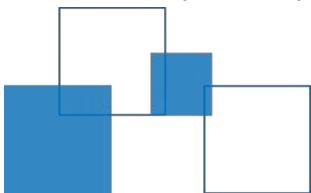


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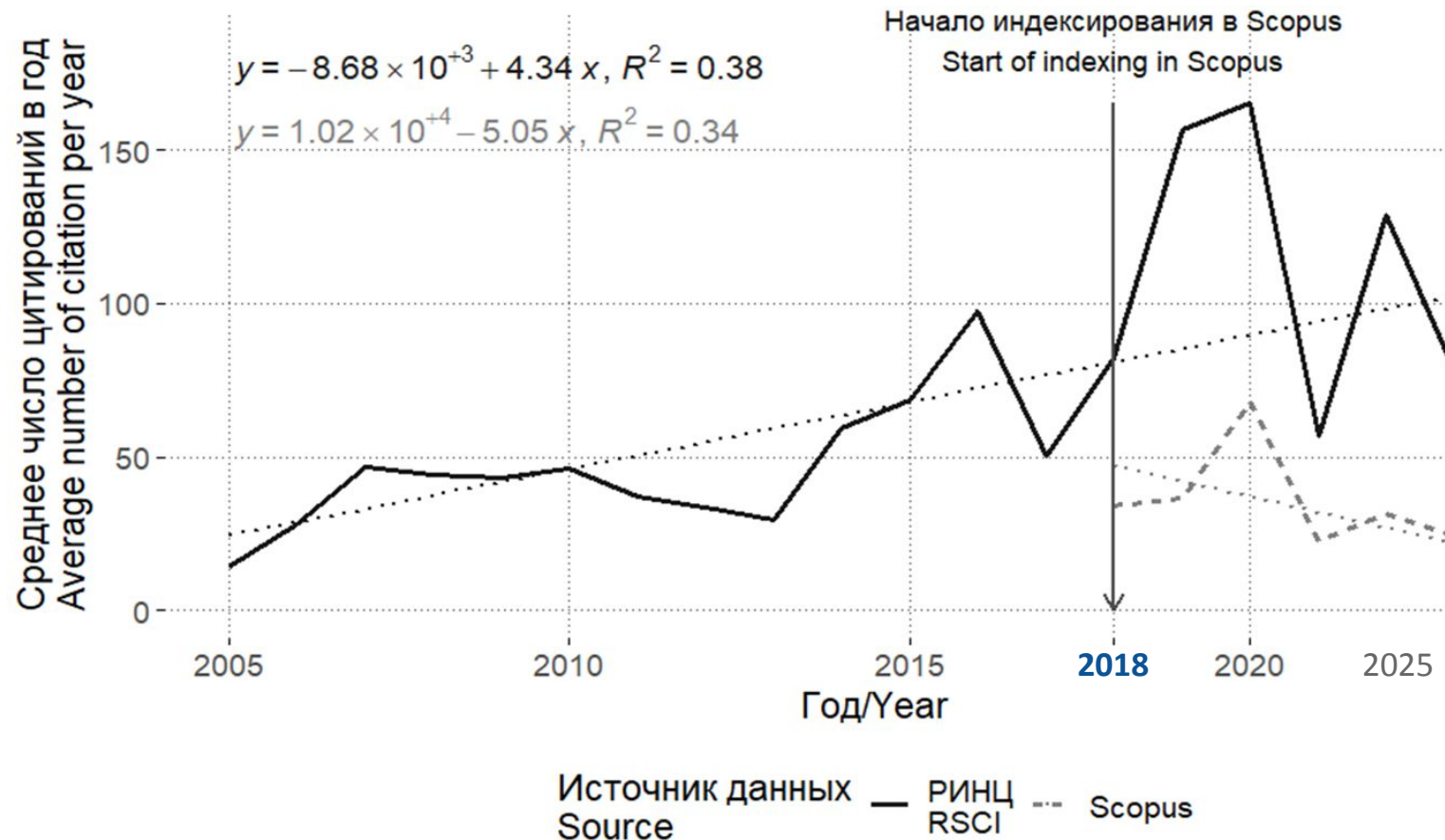
Publication activity and geographical distribution

TOP-10 countries by number of publications in the journal Cultural-Historical Psychology

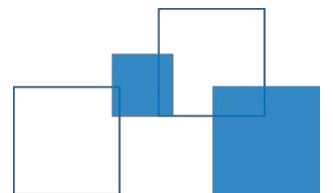
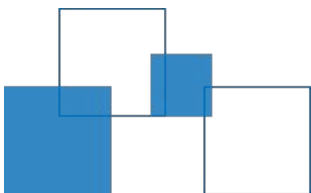
Position	Country	Number of publications (since 2005 / since 2018)	Citations (RSCI) (total/average)	Citations (Scopus) (total/average)
1	Russian Federation	770/285	9946/2,7	778/12,9
2	Australia	21/8	244/6,5	52/11,6
3	United Kingdom	19/6	63/0,8	5/3,3
4	USA	18/7	318/8,9	62/17,7
5	Brazil	17/9	16/0,9	8/0,9
6	Germany	12/3	70/0,7	2/5,8
7	Israel	10/6	176/2,3	14/17,6
8	Greece	8/5	30/1	5/3,8
9	Canada	8/3	105/1	3/13,1
10	Armenia	3/3	3/0	0/1
Other countries (n = 39)		113/40	696/4,1	164/6,2

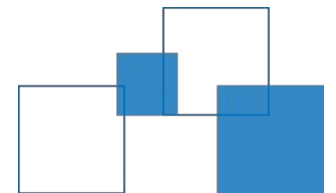


Citation Dynamics of *Cultural-Historical Psychology*



Average number of citations of articles published in the journal «Cultural-Historical Psychology» in the scientific databases RSCI (n = 941) and Scopus (n = 330): the number of citations is normalized relative to the number of years





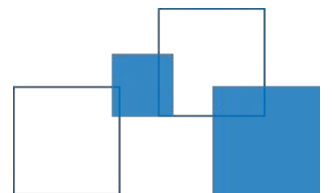
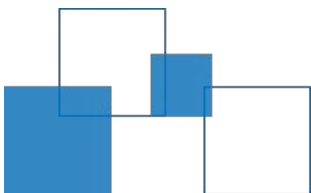
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Frequency dynamics of key terms

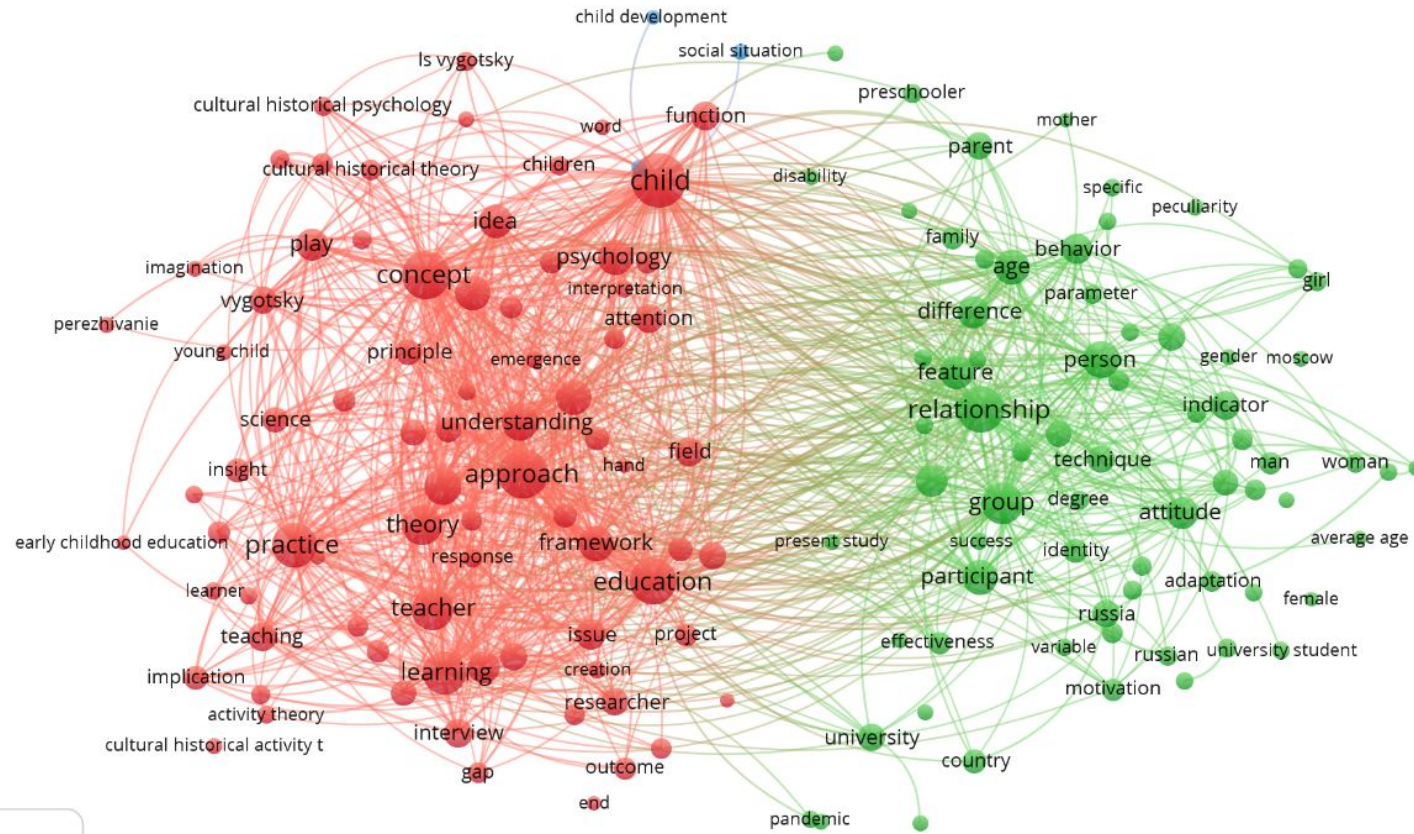
Five-year period	TOP keywords (absolute frequency of occurrence)
2005—2009 Total words — 971, publications — 208	activity theory (9), activity (8), zone of proximal development (8), perezhivanie (8), culture (7), thinking (7), speech (7)
2010—2014 Total words — 1462, publications — 234	activity (12), culture (10), reflection (10), consciousness (10), personality (9), activity theory (9)
2015—2019 Total words — 1493, publications — 235	development (12), activity (10), zone of proximal development (10), personality (10), perezhivanie (10), reflection (10)
2020—2024 Total words — 1564, publications — 245	zone of proximal development (17), activity (12), development (11), learning (10), preschool psychology (10)

The thematic dynamics of publications in the journal Cultural-Historical Psychology over the twenty-year period allow tracing changes in research emphases and key concepts that have captured authors' attention.

To this end, keyword mention frequencies were calculated separately for four five-year intervals (2005—2009, 2010—2014, 2015—2019, and 2020—2024)



Keyword network of publications citing *Cultural-Historical Psychology*



Analysis using VOSviewer

Keyword network of publications citing articles from the journal «Cultural-Historical Psychology»

Citing Journals and Countries

- In which **journals** are the articles from *Cultural-Historical Psychology* cited?

Quartile information for the sources was available for 775 out of 949 publications, representing 81,7% of the sample.

Of these 775 articles, 296 (38,2%) were published in first quartile (Q1) journals, 200 (25,8%) in second quartile (Q2), 235 (30,3%) in third quartile (Q3), and only 40 (5,8%) in fourth quartile (Q4) journals.

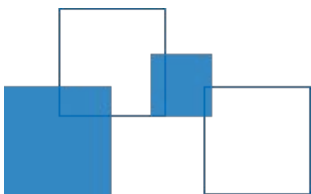
Based on SJR, 2024

- Authors from which **countries** cite articles from *Cultural-Historical Psychology*?

The highest number of citations was recorded in Russia: 497 out of 949 citing publications (52,3% of the total citing works identified).

The highest numbers of citing publications outside Russia were observed in Australia (63 publications), the United States (40 publications), Norway (32 publications), Brazil (31 publications), and China (28 publications).

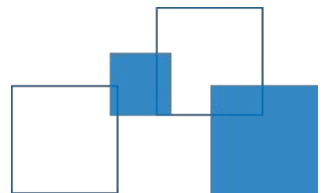
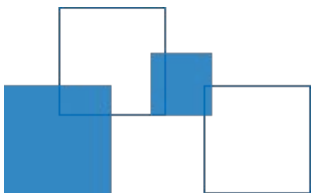
In all other countries, the number of citing publications does not exceed 16 per country.



Conclusion

The journal Cultural-Historical Psychology continues to hold a leading position within the publication landscape of cultural-historical psychology, as evidenced by its inclusion in global research networks (Rubtsov et al., 2019; Meshcheryakov et al., 2022). Semantic analysis of citing publications indicates the journal's multidisciplinary impact, with dominant themes related to education, social and developmental psychology, cultural studies, and social inclusion.

The journal's growing international visibility is further confirmed by a citation geography spanning 61 countries, with 38.2% of citing publications appearing in first quartile (Q1, according to SJR) journals. Active citation clusters involve Brazil, China, Russia, and South Africa; however, transnational connections within the BRICS+ bloc remain sparse.



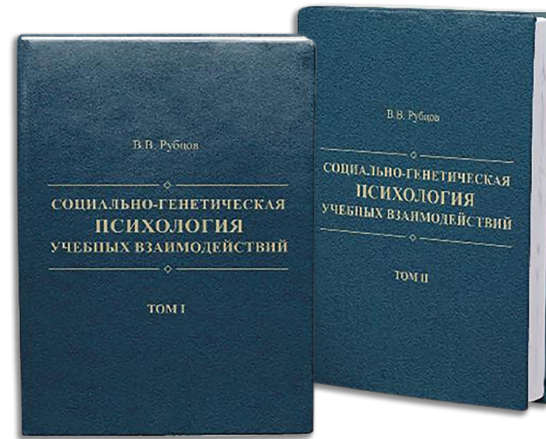
New Books & Journals



Lexicon of L.S. Vygotsky
/ Edited by A.D. Maidansky and V.V. Rubtsov. — Moscow: MSUPE Publishing House, 2024. — 200 p.



Lev Semenovich Vygotsky



Rubtsov, V.V. Socio-Genetic Psychology of Learning Interactions (selected articles, speeches, projects). Volume 1. Moscow: Gorodets Publishing House, 2024. — 575 p.



Rubtsov, V.V. Socio-Genetic Psychology of Learning Interactions (selected articles, speeches, projects). Volume 2. Moscow: Gorodets Publishing House, 2024. — 543 p.

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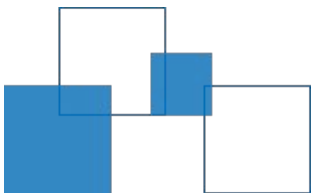


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