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**Abstract:** This paper aim<sup>16</sup> analyze the scientific trend of research on ethnoscience through bibliometric study<sup>34</sup> to explore how the contribution of Indonesian researchers in the Scopus database from 2011 to 2020. The samp<sup>4</sup> was composed of 536 documents in total. The results revealed that scientific publication on ethnoscience has been increasing. The USA contributed the most documents on ethnoscience as well as Indonesia's institutions dominated in this area. Indeed, Indonesia put its two representative's institutions: Universitas Negeri Semarang and Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta, among the big ten institutions in the world. All Indonesian documents produced by teacher-producing universities and public universities. <sup>19</sup> USA and Indonesia have also contributed to the <sup>19</sup> most productive authors of ethnoscience. Then, the visualization of research trend on ethnoscience resulted in three primary clusters: (1) ethnoscience management in the world, (2) ethnoscience in relating to academic domain, anthropology, history, and other social sciences, (3) ethnoscience in connecting with data collecting process, and one secondary cluster: ethnoscience in relating to its effect, lack, and benefit to society as a participant. The research findings could aid related researchers to recognize the trend of ethnoscience research globally and recommend directions for further research.

**Keywords:** *ethnoscience, bibliometric study, research trend, Scopus, Indonesia*

## 1. Introduction

<sup>17</sup> The word ethnoscience comes from the word *ethnos* (Greek), which means nation, and *Scientia* (Latin) means knowledge (George, 1991; Moriolkosu, Handayani, & Sunarso, 2020; Suprpto, Prahani, & Cheng, 2021). Therefore, ethnoscience is the knowledge possessed by a cultural community. Its emphasis on indigenous and distinctive knowledge of a cultural community (Suprpto, Prahani, & Cheng, 2021). In other words, ethnoscience is a branch of cultural studies that seek to understand how natives understand their nature. Indigenous people usually have an ideology and philosophy of life that influence them to survive. On this basis, it can be stated that an ethnoscience is a new form of ethnography. Through ethnoscience, cultural researchers will build grass-root theories and do not have to adopt western cultural theories that are not necessarily relevant. Ethnoscience research on cultural phenomena is always based on *ethno* and folk. The presence of ethnoscience will indeed give fresh air to cultural research (Spradley, 2001). Although this is not a new thing, because previously they have known *verstehen* (understanding), it still gives a new face to cultural research. Because, indeed, many cultural researchers have systematically made use of ethnoscience studies. Indeed, there is no common opinion regarding the term ethnoscience among researchers. Some call cognitive anthropology, ethnographic semantics, and descriptive semantics (Spradley, 2001). These various terms arise because each expert gives different emphases, but the essence is to seek a scientific level of cultural studies.

Every society experiences growth and development due to needs that change from time to time. In this development, various problem-solving processes occur for a better and more prosperous life through technology. The dev<sup>21</sup>lopment of science and technology cannot be separated from positive and negative impacts. On the one hand, the application of science and <sup>24</sup> technology has given birth to various innovations to improve the welfare of human life. However, on the other hand, the application of science and technology has also exploited natural resources to pursue production without considering long-term survival, such as what happened to the impact of the destruction of the natural environment, which resulted in various natural disasters such as

prolonged drought, floods, forest fires, air pollution, all of which only produce misery for the people at large.

The environment, both physical and socio-cultural, can make a specific contribution to students' learning experiences. These experiences can be in the form of thought patterns (cognitive domains), attitudes (affective domains), and behavioral patterns (psychomotor domains). Scientific concepts developed at school did not run smoothly because they were strongly influenced by social factors, especially intuitive knowledge about the world environment (life-world). This knowledge is built up during childhood and is socialized and encultured by others (such as parents and peers). Ogawa stated that one of the intuitive sciences is social or cultural science, or it is also called indigenous science (Ogawa, 1999; Suprpto, Prahani, & Cheng, 2021). Furthermore, other researchers signaled that original science is related to scientific knowledge acquired through oral culture in a long occupied place (Snively & Corsiglia, 2001).

Ethnoscience learning is very relevant to the foundation of the 2013 curriculum development philosophy. The 2013 curriculum was developed using a philosophy, namely, 1) education is rooted in national culture to build the life of the present and future nation. 2) Students are creative heirs of the nation's culture. 3) Education is aimed at developing intellectual and intelligence academic brilliance through education in scientific disciplines. 4) Education to build a better present and future life than the past with various intellectual abilities, communication skills, social attitudes, care, and participation to build a better life for the community and nation. The success of the learning process at school is strongly influenced by the cultural background of the students or the community where the school is located.

Research on ethnoscience have been conducted by many authors around the world, for example in USA (Davison & Miller, 1998), Brazil (Sotero, Alves, Arandas, & Medeiros, 2020), Germany-Indonesia (Zidny & Eilks, 2020), Indonesia (Sudarmin, Zahro, Pujiastuti, Ahar, Zaenuri, & Rosita, 2019; Wati, Yuberti, Saregar, Fasa, & Aziz, 2021). However, there is a few studies that focused on research trend of ethnoscience and the use of bibliometric analysis.

### *Research trend on ethnoscience*

Despite the importance of ethnoscience, there have been few attempts to gather data about the worldwide scientific production of ethnoscience. Bibliometric analysis provided a precise method to evaluate the contribution of a paper to the advancement of knowledge (Chen & Ho, 2015; Yang, Sun, & Liu, 2017). Bibliometric indicators including research fields, document sources, publication outputs, document sources, language sources, distribution of countries and institutions, top authors, number of citations, and author keywords, have been frequently used to analyze the trends (Chen & Ho, 2015; Dong, Xu, Luo, Cai, & Gao, 2012; Yang et al., 2017). The purpose of this study is to analyze the trends of ethnoscience research in the last ten years (2011-2020) in order to help educational researchers, comprehend the landscape of global ethnoscience.

### *Research Questions*

This study focused on the research trend on ethnoscience on interval 2011-2020 with six research questions:

- a) To what extent did the profile of publication output of ethnoscience in 2011-2020?
- b) To what extent did the distribution of publication of ethnoscience across countries and institutes in the world?
- c) Who were the top authors in researching of ethnoscience in the world?
- d) How did the publication patterns of ethnoscience in 2011-2020?
- e) How did the visualization results of the research trend of ethnoscience?
- f) To what extent did the contribution of Indonesian authors on researching ethnoscience in 2011-2020?

## 2. Research Method

The study followed the guidance of bibliometric study (Dong et al., 2012; Kulakli & Osmanaj, 2020; Yang et al., 2017). The first author has also experienced in conducting a bibliometric analysis (Suprpto<sup>2</sup> Sukarmin, Puspitawati, ..., & Mubarok, 2021). The researchers utilized Scopus database, since this source includes the journals and conference proceedings that are considered more<sup>10</sup> relevant by the scientific communities, as well as for their constancy and periodicity. The research was initiated by performi<sup>10</sup> an online searching during 22-28 April 2021. The complete steps were illustrated on Figure 1. The researchers performed an online searching by inputting “ethnoscience” on the title, key words, and abstract (field of discipline) from 2011 to 2020.

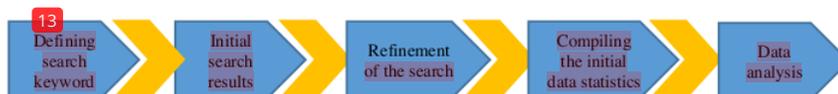


Figure 1. Five steps in conducting bibliometric analysis (Masitoh et al., 2021; Schmeisser, 2013; Setyaningsih, 2018)

It was 5<sup>25</sup> documents fulfilled the searching criteria of 1147 docu<sup>2</sup>ments of whole years (see Figure 2). The data were documented in the form of the (.ris) and (.csv). Subsequently, these records were processed in different programs<sup>6</sup> or bibliometric and network analysis: Microsoft Excel and VOSviewer. VoSviewer softwa<sup>3</sup> was used to figure out the research trend on ethnoscience (van Eck & Waltman, 2020). The investigation was conducted to analyze the research trends that<sup>3</sup> cluding characteristics of publication out-puts, document sources, language sources, distribution of countries and institutions, distribution of outpu<sup>3</sup> in subject categories, top authors, top citations, and publication trends from 2011 to 2020. The co-occurrence of keywords was carried out with VOSviewer, which uses a Visualization of Similarities algorithm (VOS) as an alternative to multidimensional scaling (Putri et al., 2021).

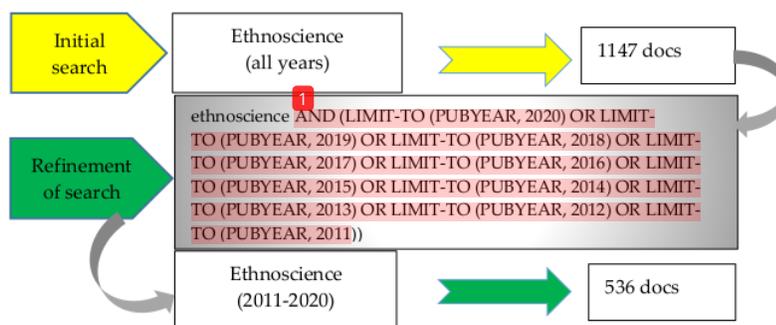


Figure 2. Illustration of initial and refinement search

## 3. Results

### Publication Output, Document Sources, and Language Sources

There were 536 papers associated with ethnoscience research in the Scopus database, including 5 document sources (journal, book, conference proceeding, book series, and trade journal). The publications devoted to ethnoscience research throughout 2011 to 2020 are demonstrated in Figure 3 and Figure 4. The number of documents of ethnoscience across the year was increased significantly. It was less than 30 documents before 2010 and more than 30 documents of each year in 2011-2020. Even though, it was fluctuated in duration 2013-2018,

however the trend was increased in 5 decades. The term ethno-science first appear in 1967 in American Behavioral Scientist, by Werner (1967). It can be predicted that the number of articles in 2024-2025 will increase dramatically.

Meanwhile, the number of articles based on sources indicated the dominance of articles in the journal (324 documents). It was followed by a book (164) and conference proceeding (39). The book series and trade journal accounted for the fewest sources of documents.

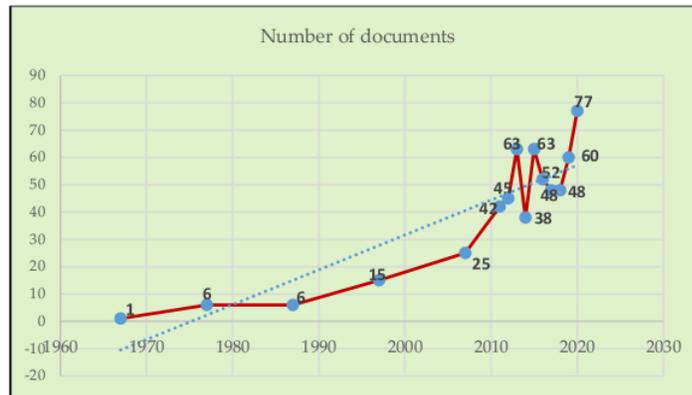


Figure 3. The number of documents on ethno-science from the beginning (1967) and the last ten years (2011-2020)

Furthermore, out of a total of 536 documents, most articles used English as the language of articles (497 documents or 92%). The rest documents were using French (3%) and Portuguese (1.5%). While it was in a small number, the documents used Spanish, Italian, Polish, Chinese, Russian, German, Indonesian, and Norwegian with a percentage less than 1% (see Figure 5).

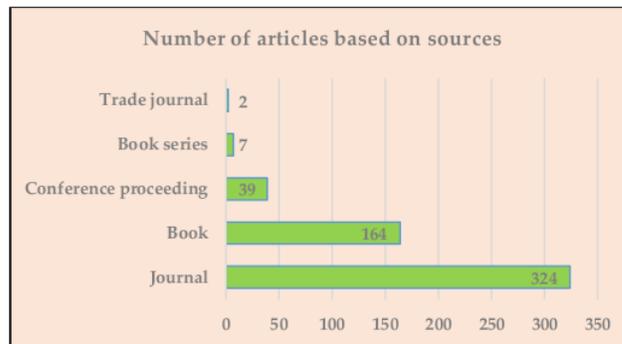


Figure 4. The number of articles of ethno-science based on source categories

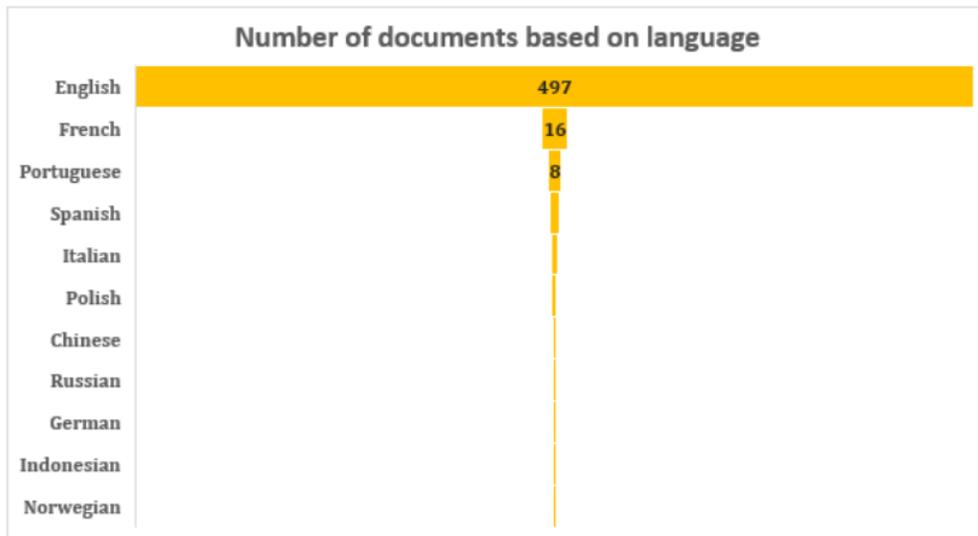


Figure 5. The percentages of articles on ethnosience based on language during 2011-2020

#### *Publication Distribution of Countries and Institutes*

Based on the number of documents across countries, it was clear the dominance of the USA with 124 documents from 2011 to 2020. The countries such as Indonesia, UK, and Brazil contributed to this topic with 76, 47, and 45 documents, respectively. Meanwhile, with almost the same number, France, Canada, Italy, and Australia contributed documents between 20-30. The rest of the ten countries that contributed the most to research on ethnosience were Germany and India.

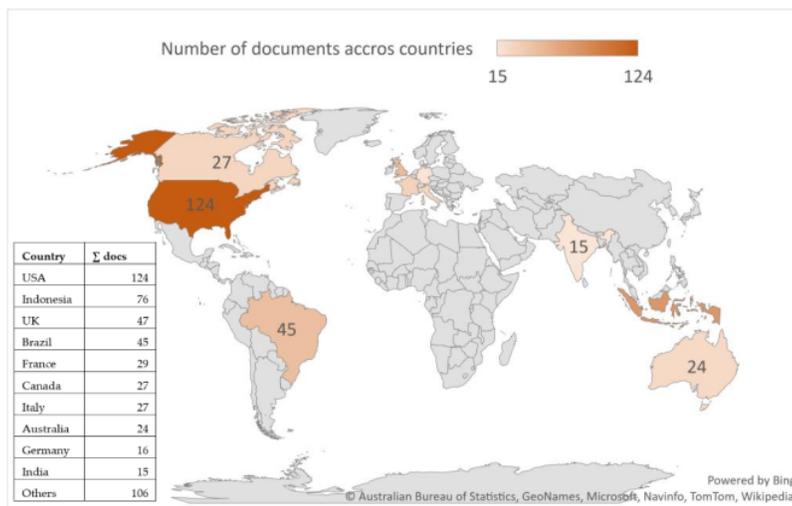


Figure 6. Number of documents based on countries 2011-2020

The number of documents of ethnosience (2011-2020) across the institution could be seen in Table 1. Indonesia places its two institutions in the first and sixth rank. Universitas Negeri Semarang (UNNES), Indonesia has ranked first with 20 documents and was followed by the

*Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore*, Italy. Meanwhile, other institutions were dominated by Brazil and the USA.

Table 1. Number of documents of ethnoscience (2011-2020) across institution

No	Institution	Number of Documents
1	<i>Universitas Negeri Semarang</i> , Indonesia	20
2	<i>Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore</i> , Italy	14
3	<i>Universidade de Sao Paulo – USP</i> , Brazil	11
4	University of Alberta, Canada	11
5	<i>CNRS Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique</i> , France	9
6	<i>Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta</i> , Indonesia	8
7	<i>Universitatea Alexandru Ioan Cuza</i> , Romania	7
8	Indiana University Bloomington, USA	7
9	<i>Universidade Federal Rural de Pernambuco</i> , Brazil	6
10	University of California, Riverside, USA	6

*Top Authors in Researching of ethnoscience*

In terms of most productive authors, Figure 6 indicates the top ten authors in researching on ethnoscience. Sudarmin, Graffigna, Sandu, Sumarni, Olson, Barello, Chirazi, Mannion, Murrieta, Prado, Shapiro and Wiyanto were the most productive authors in this topic. Generally, the performance of authors in line with the top citation of the article all years, as indicated in Table 2 For example, Ingold (1718). Meanwhile, Table 3 depicts the top citation of articles in the duration of 2011-2020. It was listed that Ingold (2011), Atran (2011), Wilson & Sperber (2012), van Dijk (2014), Sinkovics & Alfoldi (2012) resulted in their articles as the top 5 citations in 2011-2020.

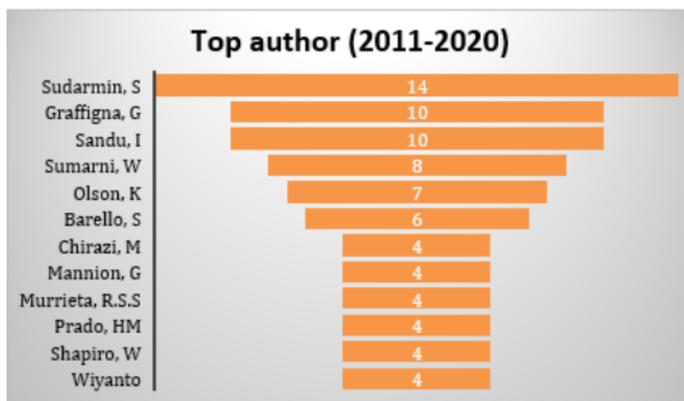


Figure 7. Top authors in researching of ethnoscience during 2011-2020

Table 2. Top citation of article of all years

Author (s)	Journal	$\Sigma$ citations
Ingold (2011)	Being Alive: Essays on Movement, Knowledge and Description pp. 1-270, Book	1718
Agrawal (1995)	Development and Change, 26(3), pp. 413-439	1070
Lee (1989)	MIS Quarterly: Management Information Systems, 9(1), 33-50	765
Atran (2011)	In Gods We Trust: The Evolutionary Landscape of Religion, In Gods We Trust: The Evolutionary Landscape of Religion, pp. 1-364	665
Wezel et al. (2009)	Agronomy for Sustainable Development, 29(4), pp. 503-515	425
Brown (1975)	Advances in Child Development and Behavior, 20(C), 103-1	410
Jarvis & Pavlenko (2007)	Crosslinguistic influence in language and cognition, in Crosslinguistic Influence in Language and Cognition, pp. 1-287	370
Rousseau & Tijoriwala (1998)	Journal of Organizational Behavior, 19(SUPPL.), pp. 679-695	355
Ingold (2006)	Ethnos, 71(1), pp. 9-20	345
Wilson & Sperber (2012)	Meaning and Relevance, pp. 1-382	332

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van Dijk (2014)	Discourse and knowledge: A Sociocognitive Approach, pp. 1-400	126
Sinkovics & Alfoldi (2012)	Management International Review, 52(6), 817-845	124
Altieri (2018)	Agroecology: The Science of Sustainable Agriculture, Second Edition, pp. 1-433	123
Fowles (2013)	An Archaeology of Doings: Secularism and the Study of Pueblo Religion, pp. 1-306	112
Alves & Souto (2015)	Ethnobiology and Conservation, 4(2015),1	100
Devente et al. (2016)	Ecology and Society, 21(2),24	92
Kemp & Regier (2012)	Science, 336(6084), 1049-1054	80

*Publication Patterns: Source Titles (Journal or Proceeding)*

Table 4 illustrates the most contribution journal or proceeding on the research of ethnoscience. Journal of Physics Conference was a leading conference series that which contains articles about ethnoscience. Meanwhile, Journal Ethnobiology & Ethnomedicine and Journal

Pendidikan IPA Indonesia were the leading journal that was covering this topic in their content. The remaining journals were Ethnobiology & Conservation, Environ. Educ. Res., Int. Encyclopedia Soc. Behav. Scie. Sec. Ed., Revista de Chimie, Routledge Int. Handbook Qual. Nursing Res., A Companion to Cognitive Anthropology, Approaches to Language Culture & Cognition, Biodiversity & Conservation, *Boletim Do Museu Paraense Emilio Goeldi Ciencias Humanas*, Current Anthropology, Ethnobiology, etc. (see Table 4).

Table 4. Number of documents of ethnosience (2011-2020) across source titles

No	Source Titles	Number of documents
1	J. Phys. Conf. Ser.	32
2	J. Ethnobiology & Ethnomedicine	12
3	J. Pend. IPA Indonesia	11
4	Ethnobiology & Conservation	5
5	Environ. Educ. Res.	4
6	Int. Encyclopedia Soc. Behav. Scie. Sec. Ed.	4
7	<i>Revista de Chimie</i>	4
8	Routledge Int. Handbook Qual. Nursing Res.	4
9-18	A Companion to Cognitive Anthropology Approaches to Language Culture & Cognition Biodiversity & Conservation <i>Boletim Do Museu Paraense Emilio Goeldi Ciencias Humanas</i> Current Anthropology Ethnobiology Forest Ecology & Management Int. J. Scientific & Tech. Res. <i>J. De La Societe Des Oceanistes</i> J. Ethnobiology	3

#### Visualization of Research Trends on ethnosience based on VoSViewer Software

Among those 536 papers related to ethnosience research in the Scopus database, the researchers visualized the research trends on this topic assisted with VoSViewer software. This effort helps find the novelty of the research on this domain. Figure 8 indicates the whole picture research on ethnosience. Researchers on the world produced three primary clusters indicated with red, green, and blue) and one secondary cluster (yellow). The first cluster (red color) was ethnosience management in the world. The second cluster (green) was ethnosience related to the academic domain, anthropology, history, and other social sciences. The third cluster (blue) was ethnosience in connecting with the data collecting process. The last cluster (yellow) indicated ethnosience relating to its effect, lack, and benefit to society as a participant.

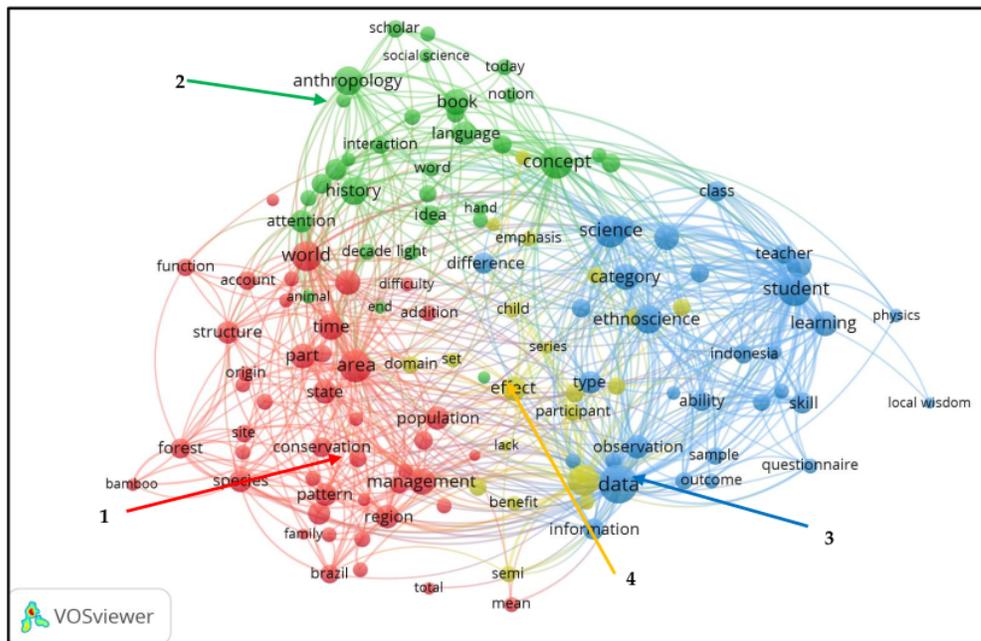


Figure 8. The whole picture of research on ethnoscience during 2011-2020

**1** If we broke down into the specific connection among variables to capture the trend and novelty of researching ethnoscience, we found some findings. Figure 9a emphasized that research on ethnoscience in the educational domain. It related to student, class, school, and learning. Indonesian researchers examined this point more—meanwhile, science and ethnoscience connect with other specific domains, as illustrated in Figure 9b.

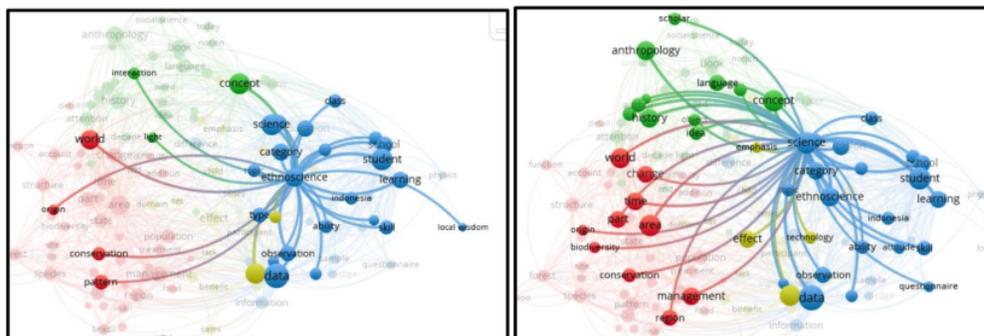


Figure 9. (a) Ethnoscience in educational domain; (b) science, ethnoscience, and other academic domains

The dominance of social sciences and humanity branch such as anthropology, history, language and culture gave impact on the research on ethnoscience during 2011-2020 period (Figure 10). It has also possible to involve sociology that covers the interaction and structure among object, people, and living things.

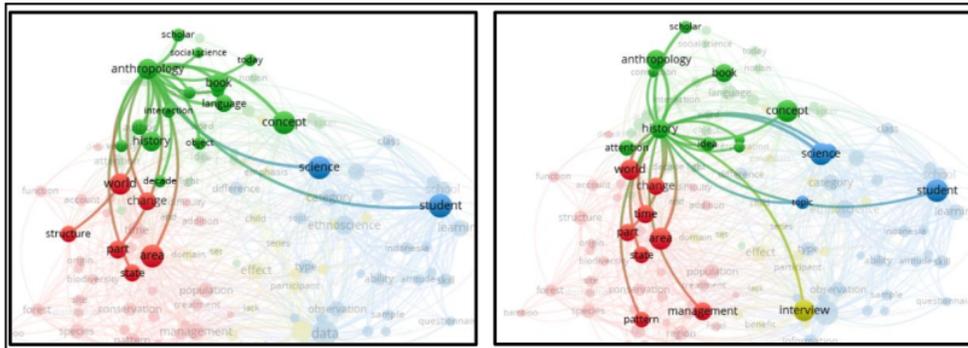


Figure 10. The dominance of social sciences in influencing research on ethnosience

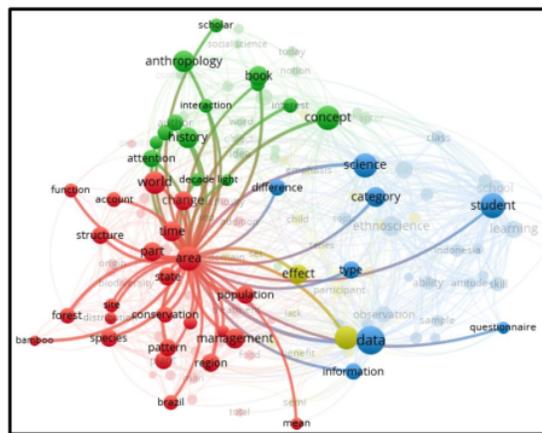


Figure 11. Research focus on ethnosience in some area in the world

Research on ethnosience around the world emerged from conservation in the forest, some plants (such as bamboo) and species in some area to manage some information and data related to studies of ethnosience and how it integrates with the several academic domains as indicated in Figure 11. The map was also informed us of research on ethnosience, consider the history and timeline-based. On the other hand, Figure 12 illustrated various data collecting in researching ethnosience, such as observation, interview, questionnaire, semi-structured interview. It means research on ethnosience used both quantitative and qualitative paradigm. Completely, there were some occurrent key words support the data collection process: ability, attitude, skill, learning, science, physics, school, treatment, population, category, concept, management, pattern, type, and effect. Furthermore, the term Indonesia and Brazil have also dominated as the keyword in researching ethnosience (Figure 13).



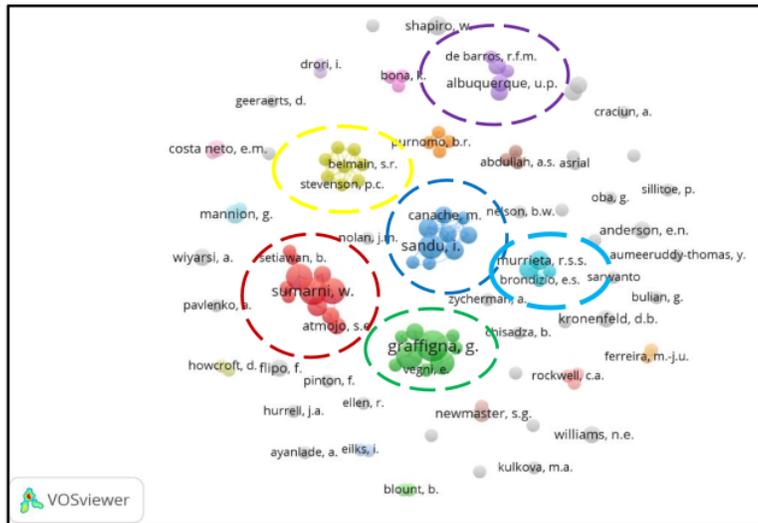


Figure 14. Top authors and co-authorships and the most influenced authors on ethnoscience

*The Contribution of Indonesian Researchers on ethnoscience*

In total, Indonesia contributed 76 documents related to ethnoscience in the last ten years from a total of 536 documents. Of this number, it was 37 belongs to the proceedings or the results of the conference paper, while the remaining 39 is in the form of journal papers.

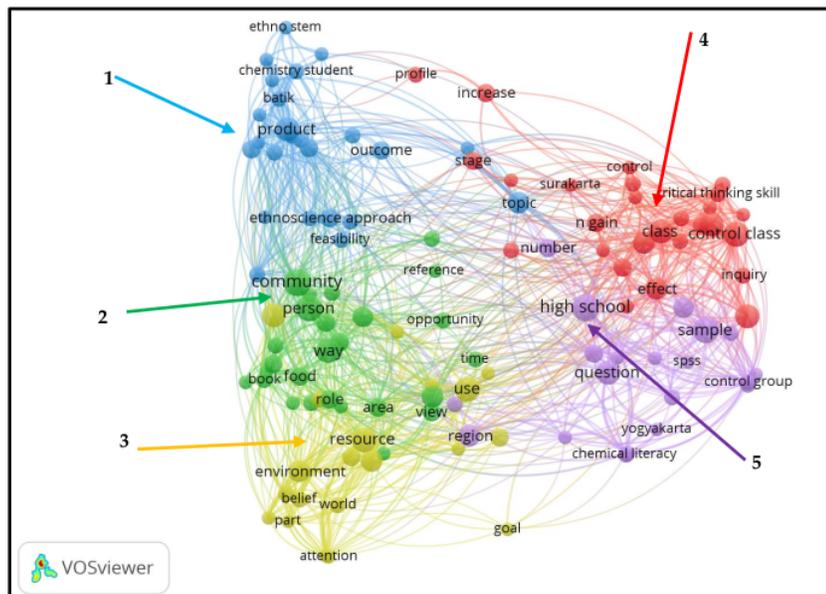


Figure 15. The whole picture research on ethnoscience performed by Indonesian researchers during 2011-2020

If researchers in the world produced 4 clusters related to trends research on ethnoscience, then there were five clusters produced by Indonesian researchers. The first cluster (red color) was ethnoscience in relating to critical thinking and inquiry. Meanwhile, the second cluster (yellow) was ethnoscience related to its resource, environment, belief, person and attention. Then, the third cluster (green) was ethnoscience in connecting with community, food, area, view, and role. Then, the fourth cluster (purple) was ethnoscience in connecting with chemical literacy and high school. The last cluster (blue) indicated ethnoscience under its ethnoscience approach, product, *etnostem*, *batik*, and feasibility.

Table 5. Number of documents of ethnoscience among Indonesian institution (2011-2020)

No	University	Number of documents
1	Universitas Negeri Semarang	20
2	Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta	8
3	Universitas Sebelas Maret	6
4	Universitas Padjadjaran	4
5	Universitas Negeri Padang	4
6	Universitas Negeri Surabaya	3
7	Universitas Negeri Jakarta	3
8	Universitas Jambi	3

Table 5 illustrates how the rank of Indonesian institution in producing documents on ethnoscience. All the top eight are teacher-producing universities and public universities in Indonesia. Universitas Negeri Semarang is the top university on researching of ethnoscience. Meanwhile, Figure 14 depicts the top Indonesian researchers on ethnoscience and their co-authorships. It lists that the name such as Sumarni (8) and Sudarmin (7) were the most productive authors in this topic from Indonesia.

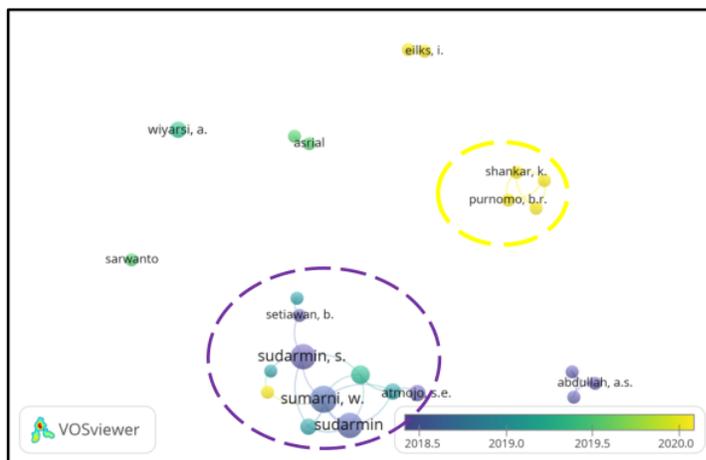


Figure 16. Top Indonesian researcher on ethnoscience and co-authorships

It was no different rank from the world in terms of ethnoscience from Indonesia (2011-2020) across source titles, Journal of Physics Conference was a leading conference series which contains articles about ethnoscience. Meanwhile, for the journal category, *Jurnal Pendidikan IPA Indonesia*, which is also from Indonesia, is also superior in producing ethnoscience documents.

Table 6 also indicates that Indonesia's contribution to research on ethnosience is more in the proceedings than in the journal.

Table 6. Number of documents of ethnosience from Indonesia (2011-2020) across source titles

No	Name of Journal or Conference	Number of documents
1	Journal of Physics Conference Series	32
2	Journal Pendidikan IPA Indonesia	11
3	International Journal of Scientific and Technology Research	3
4	Applied Mathematics and Information Sciences	2
5	International Journal of Evaluation and Research Education	2
6	IOP Conference Series Earth and Environmental Science	2
7	Journal of Turkish Science Education	2
8	Opzion <sup>y</sup>	2
9	Universal Journal of Educational Research <sup>y</sup>	2
10	Advanced Science Letters	1

Note: <sup>y</sup>The journal was discontinued from Scopus in 2020

#### 4. Discussion

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1. Research on ethnosience in the educational domain related to student, class, school, and learning. Indonesian researchers more examined this point.

2. Science and ethnosience are connecting with other specific domain.
3. Research on ethnosience around the world emerged from conservation in the forest, some plants and species in some area to manage some information and data related to studies of ethnosience and how it integrates into the several academic domains.
4. Research on ethnosience considers the history and timeline-based.
5. Various data were collected in researching ethnosiences, such as observation, interview, questionnaire, and semi-structured interview.
6. The term Indonesia and Brazil have also dominated as the keyword in researching ethnosience.

There were six dominant groups of authorships: Sumarni *et al.*, Graffigna *et al.*, Murrieta *et al.*, Sandu *et al.*, Belmain *et al.*, and Albuquerque *et al.* as the top researcher and its cluster in researching ethnosience. Woro Sumarni, a researcher from Indonesia, has become a leader among all clusters (Sumarni, & Kadarwati, 2020; Sumarni, Sudarmin, Wiyanto, Rusilowati, & Susilaningsih, 2017). On the other hand, Graffigna was the most influenced researcher on ethnosience in 2011-2020.

## 5. Conclusions

In this work, the authors used bibliometric methods to study the state of research of a particular knowledge area. The development of ethnosience, identifying the primary sources where research papers are published, the most important countries and institutions where research carried out, the individual top active researchers, the most cited authors in the field, as well as the main topics of interest in ethnosience were the focus of the study.

The authors indicated some significant points regarding the research on ethnosience during the period from 2011 to 2020. The number of documents of ethnosience across the year was increased, which were dominated by articles in the journal. Secondly, the USA contributed the most documents on ethnosience, and Indonesia's institutions dominated this area. Indeed, Indonesia put its two representative's institutions: Universitas Negeri Semarang and Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta, among the big ten institutions in the world. The USA and Indonesia have also contributed to the most productive authors of ethnosience. Then, the visualization of research trend on ethnosience resulted in three major clusters and one minor cluster:

1. Ethnosience management in the world
2. Ethnosience in relating to academic domain, anthropology, history, and other social sciences
3. Ethnosience in connecting with data collecting process
4. Ethnosience in relating to its effect, lack, and benefit to society as a participant

The research findings could aid related researchers to recognize the trend of ethnosience research globally and recommend directions for further research.

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