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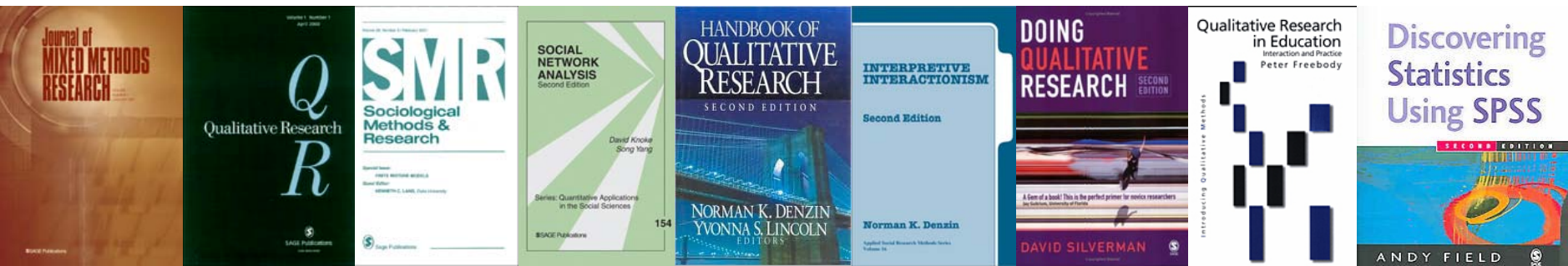
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Author: Mirka Koro-Ljungberg

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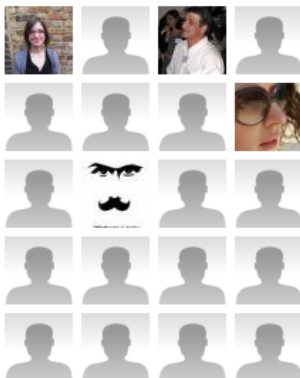
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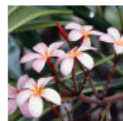
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The Many Facets of Knowledge Transfer

Knowledge Transfer is not exactly the most popular term to describe the processes of production, organization, dissemination and application of knowledge. Many scholars and professionals prefer alternative terminology such as "Knowledge Exchange" that implies a two-way transfer process...we learn from each other. The most popular example is the exchange of information between researchers and policy makers. Another term of interest is "Knowledge Mobilization".

Research Impact and Knowledge Mobilization

In Canada, one of the growing areas of interest is Knowledge Mobilization represented by the program called "Research Impact". Research Impact is a service-oriented program designed to connect university research with research users across Canada to ensure that research helps to inform decision-making. "Knowledge mobilization connects research and researchers with people and organizations seeking to develop sustainable solutions to social, environmental, economic and cultural challenges."

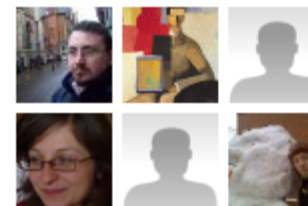
York University's KM Unit has posted its latest video on the Research Impact web page showing how KM is being offered as a service to researchers to assist in building and executing KM strategies for research grants.

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Visual Activism

Posted by [Vincent O'Brien](#) on June 2, 2009 at 1:33pm

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Over the last few years , while I have been using participatory video as a research method, I have noticed how participants have, from and early stage, started the think about the videos they make as tools for community activism.

In this film you can see how women from the Alien Films Group have been working with video and how they see this as a strategy for developing the Cumbria Multicultural Women's network.

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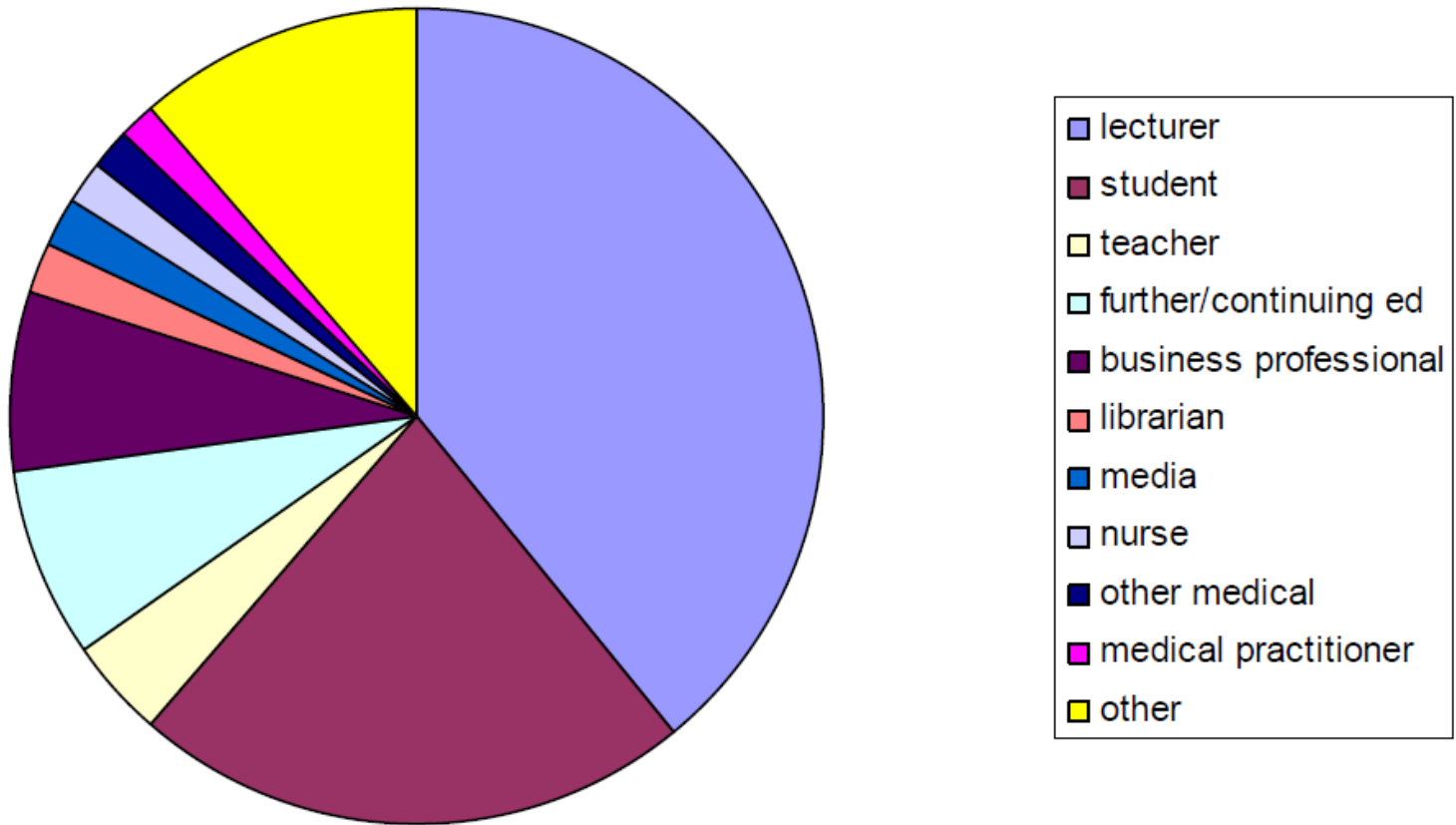
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- Classroom resources
 - Expert: Responds to questions that others have posted



- SAGE: Katie Metzler**
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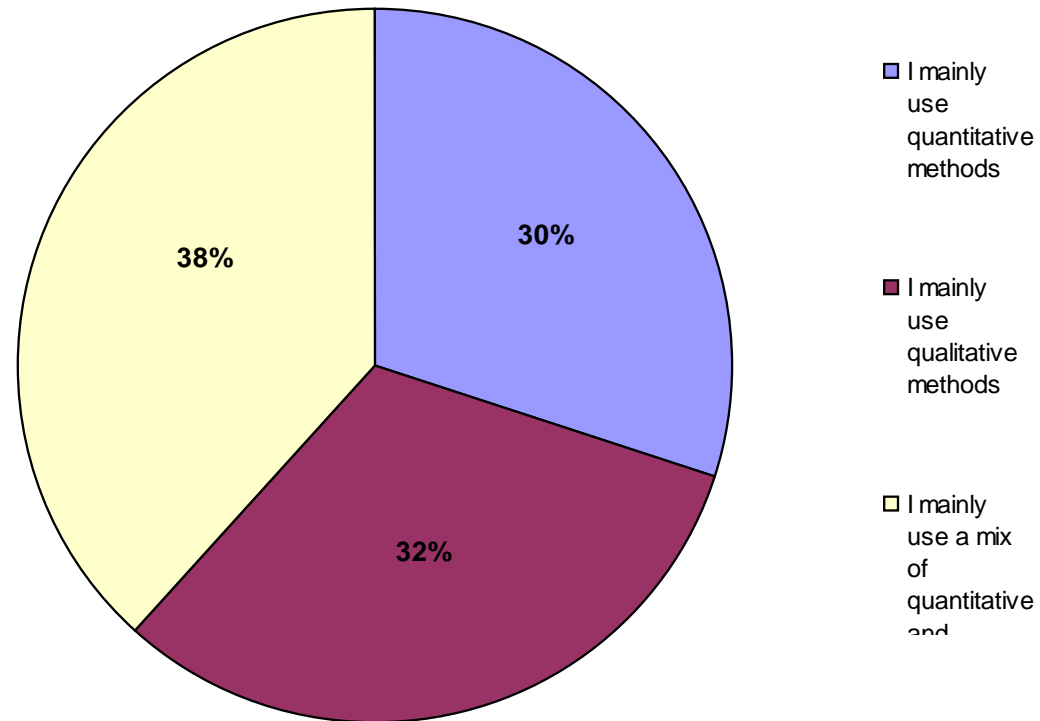
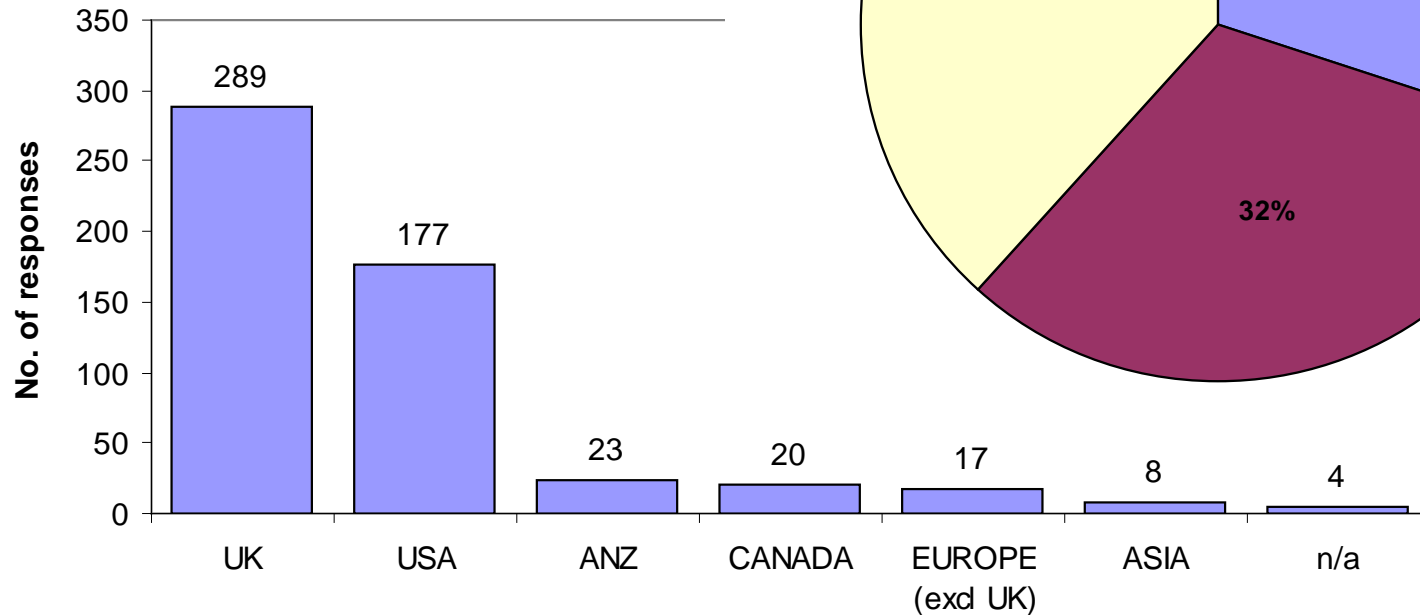


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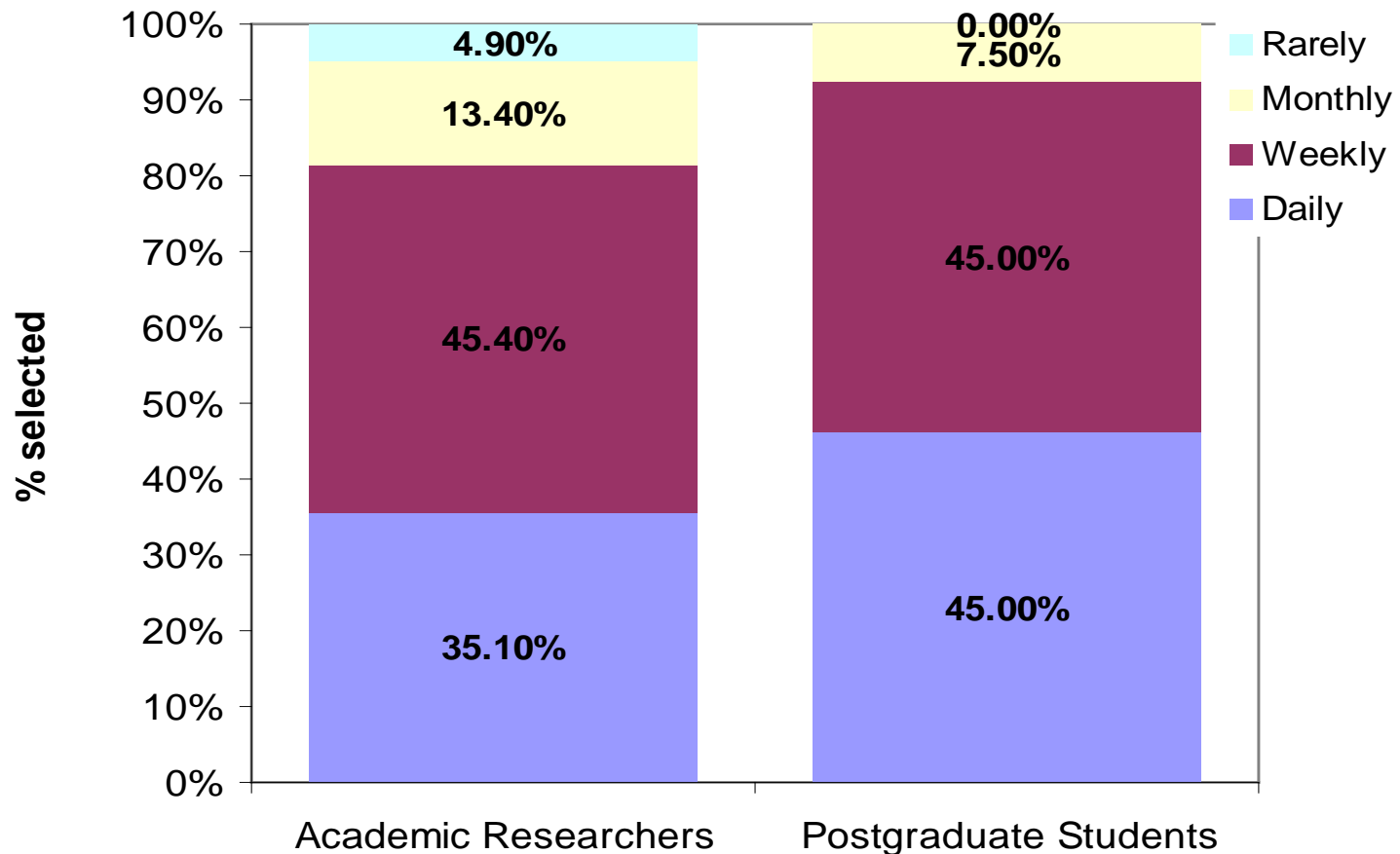
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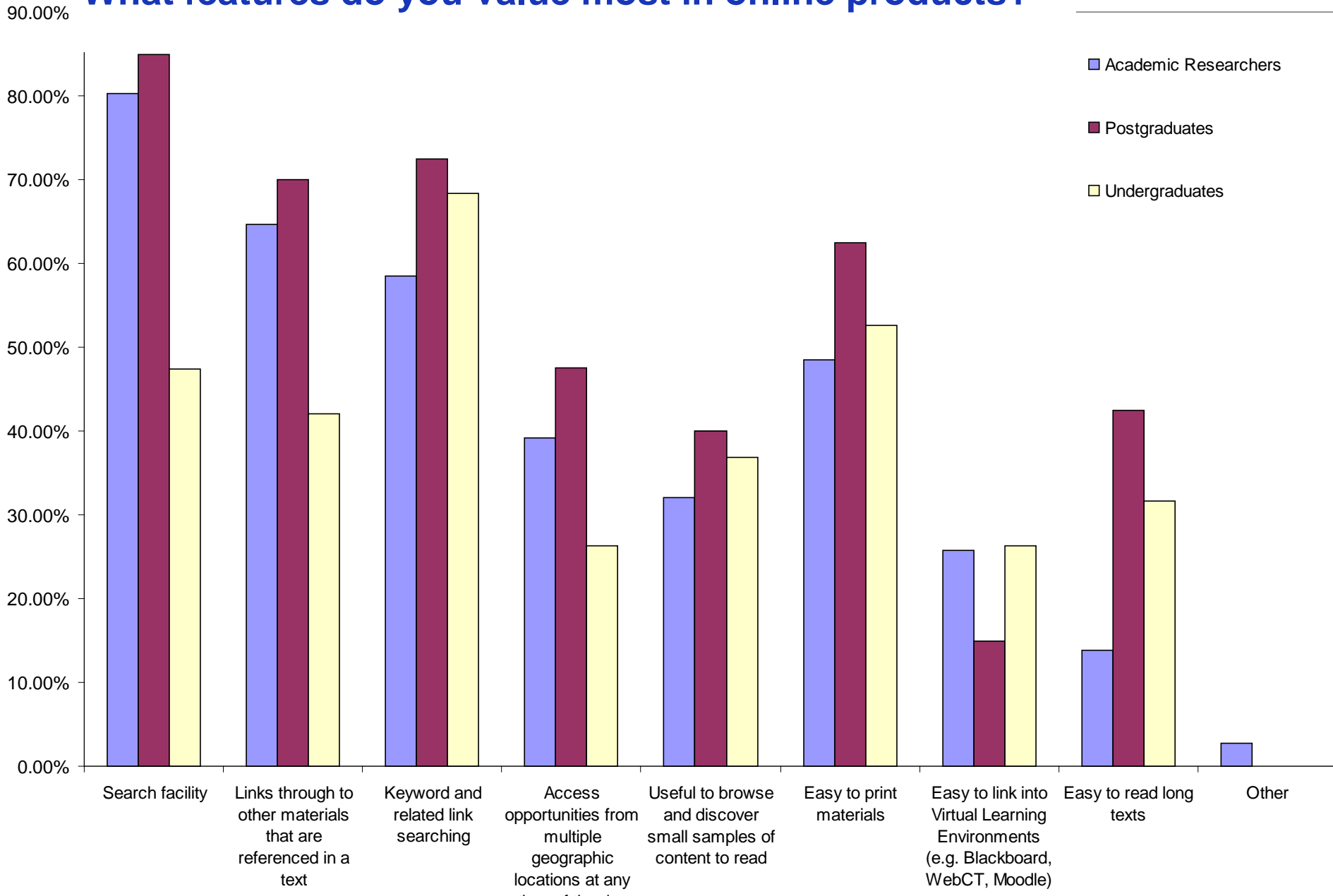
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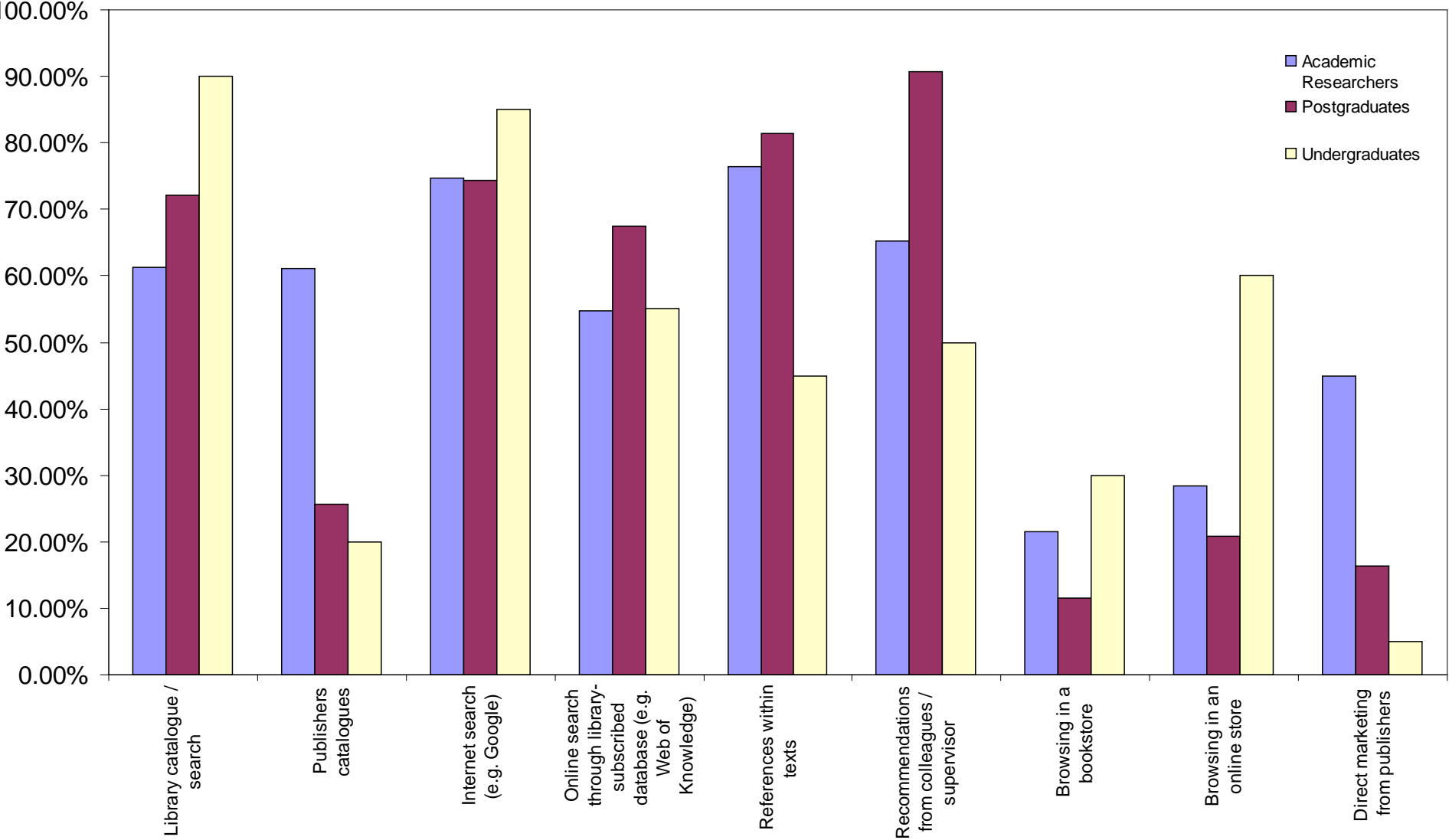
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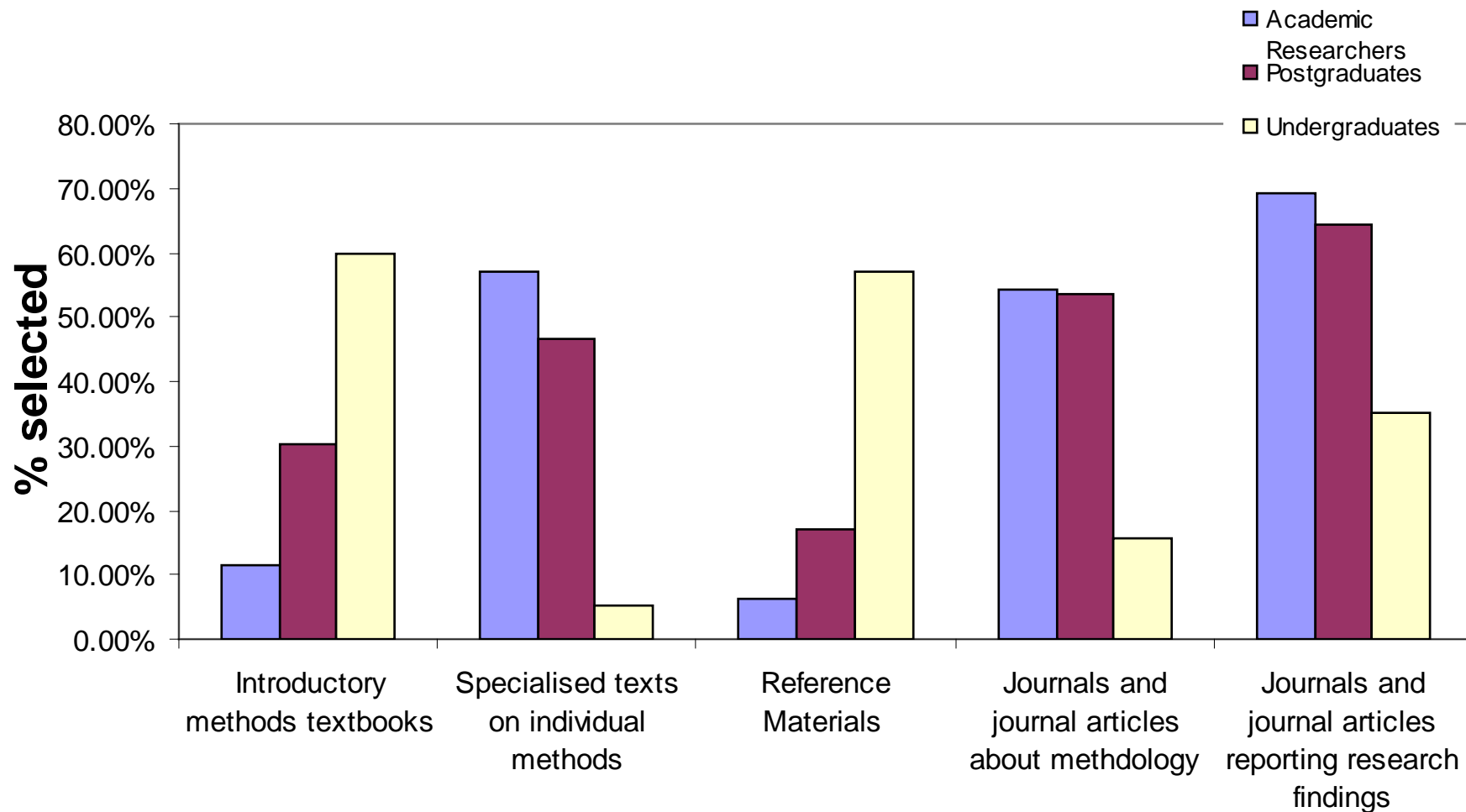
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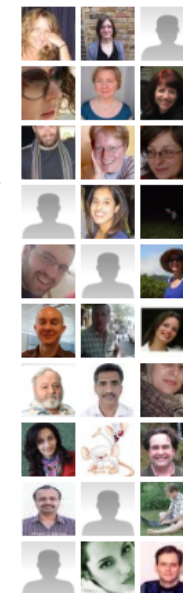
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Aliya who is working with me has taken the lead on setting up a Twitter feed - it looks great!

 If you are interested, you can read the feed and follow us here http://twitter.com/SAGE_SRMO.

 If you aren't a member of the SRMO Group on Methodspace yet, [join us here](#) to follow the development.

[Developing the Methods Map](#)

Patrick Brindle, our Research Methods editor in the UK has been leading on the development of the ontology that will underpin the product, and will be visualised in the Methods Map feature that we are designing at the moment.

Patrick has just received a group of reviews back from some of our key authors on the latest version of the taxonomy which currently holds approx 4,000 research methods terms, concepts and people! It has been a huge project to compile, something that we ha

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[New SRMO Designs In](#)

We've had some updated designs in from iFactory this week. I'm really happy with how these are looking! The challenge has been to include all the functionality that we heard would be valuable when looking for literature on research methods, but at the same time still keeping the pages as clean and intuitive as possible. Any feedback that you have, as always, would be very valuable.

Below is the design for a page that displays a book chapter (the text is all in Latin at the moment) ...

[Collections, Playlists etc. HELP!](#)

 About a week ago I posted the [latest designs we have in for SRMO](#) and we've been on the road doing user testing and gathering feedback on the designs. What has become very clear is that ND-DNE understands what the "Exploring Collections" label means on the Home page.

Some people suggested that it would lead them to collections of books or articles that SAGE

Thank you!