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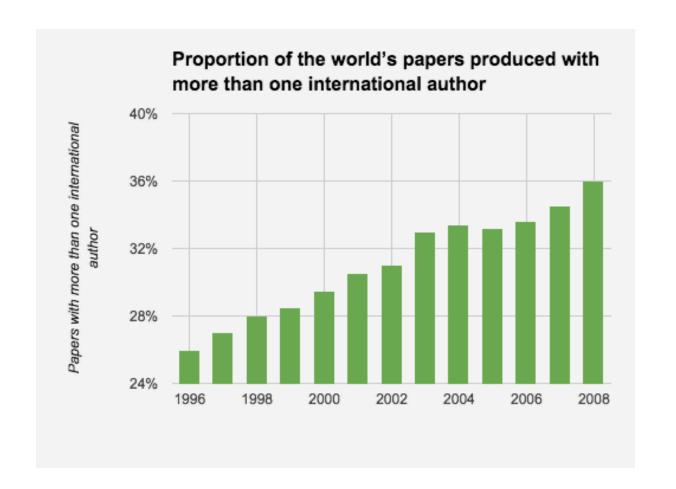
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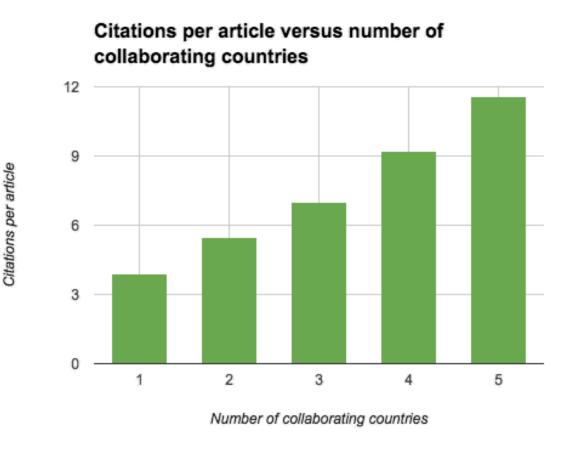
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Global scientific collaboration in the 21st century - The Royal Society - 2011

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- Multiple versions of the same document
- Long email chains
- Formatting & typesetting
- Maintaining references
- Long revision cycles

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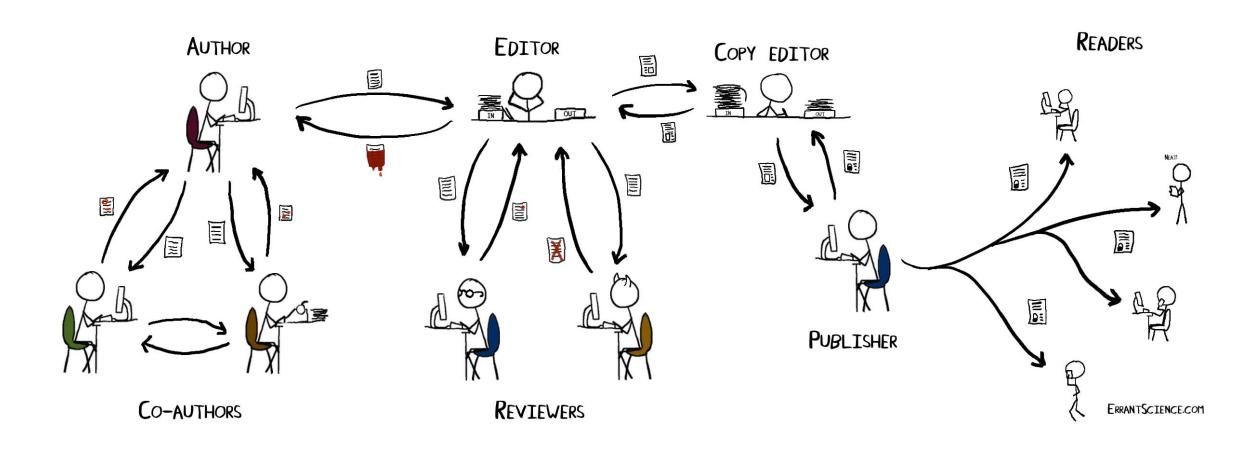


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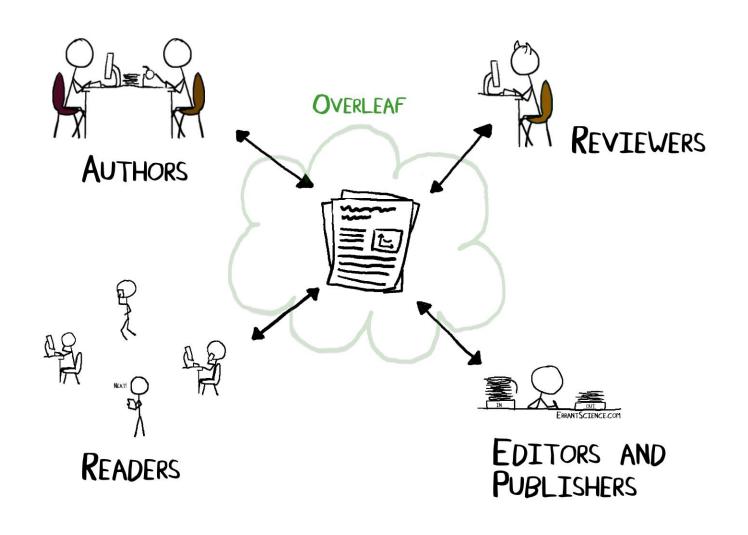
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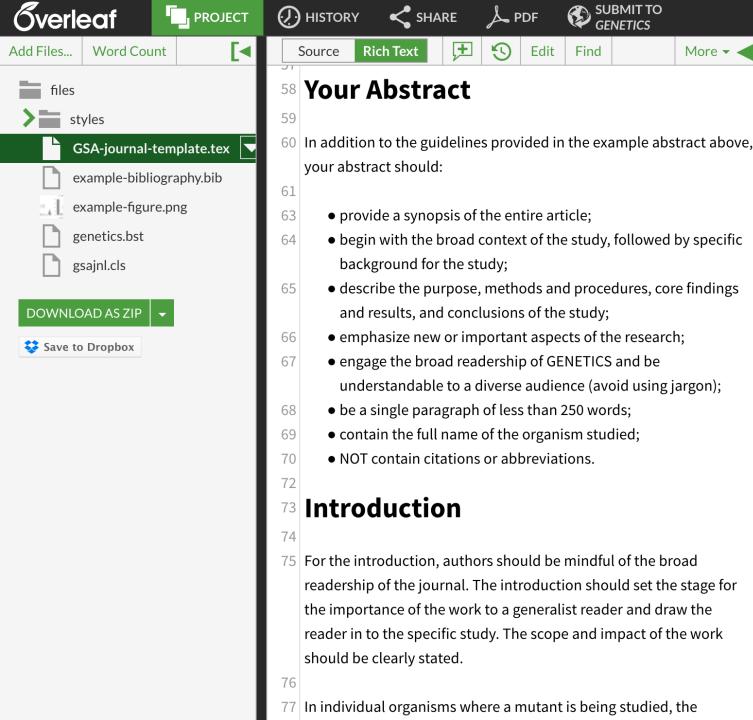


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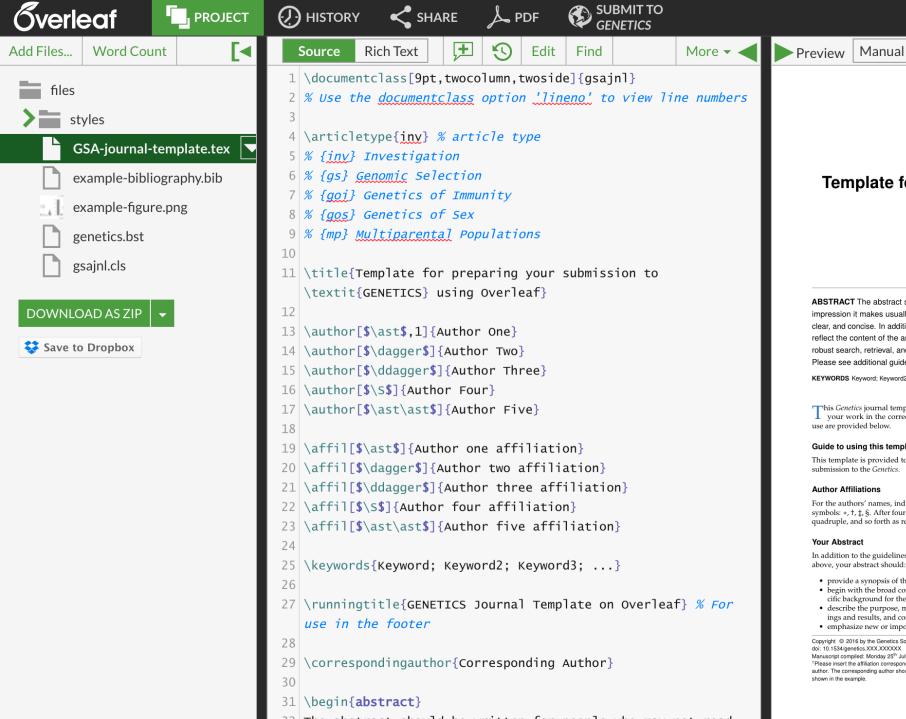
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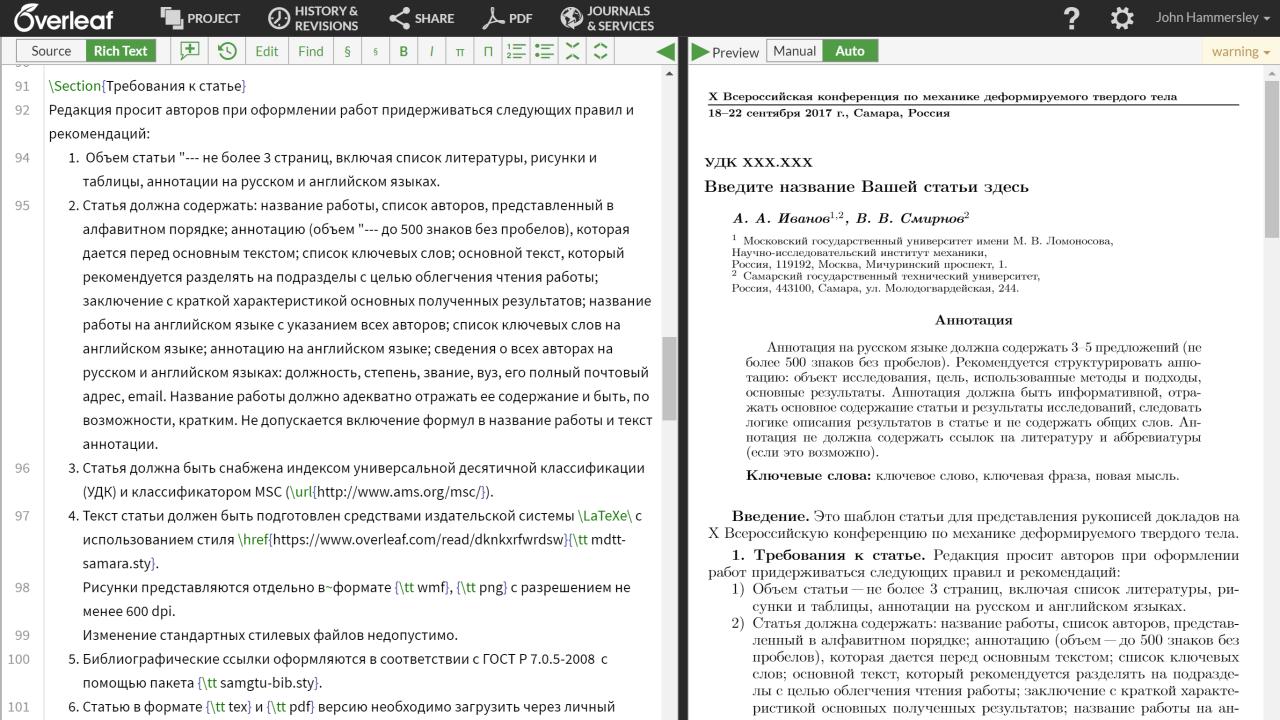
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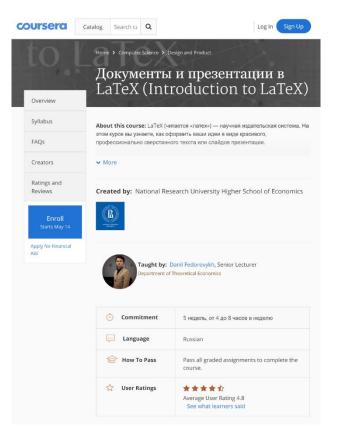
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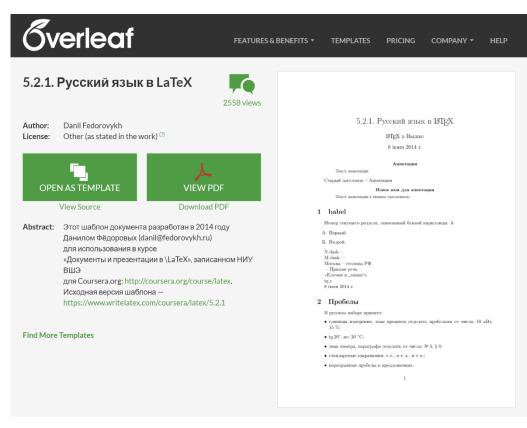


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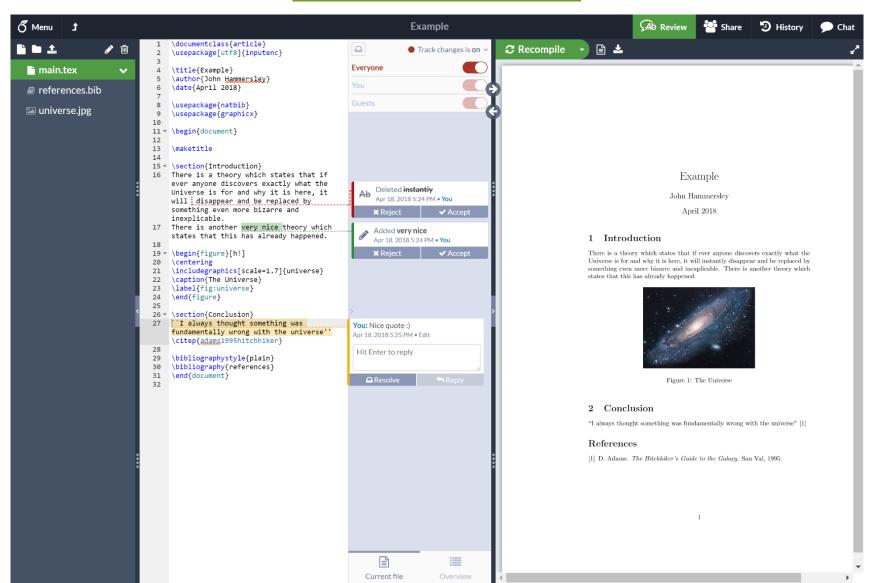




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## **Danil Fedorovykh**

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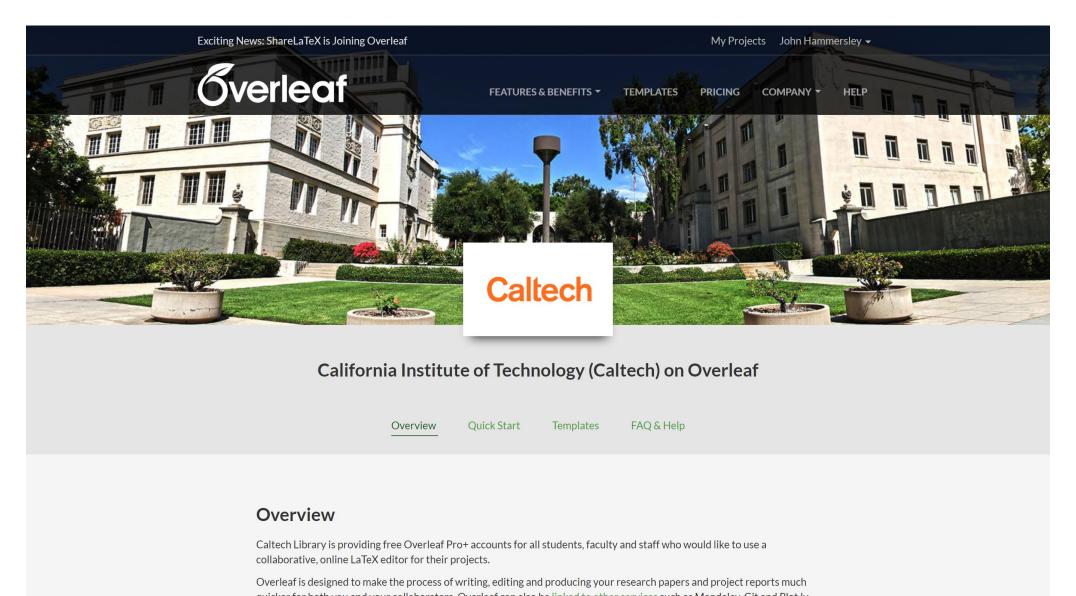




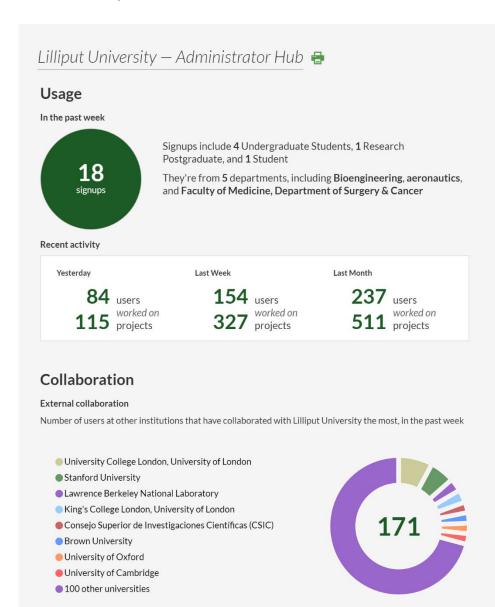




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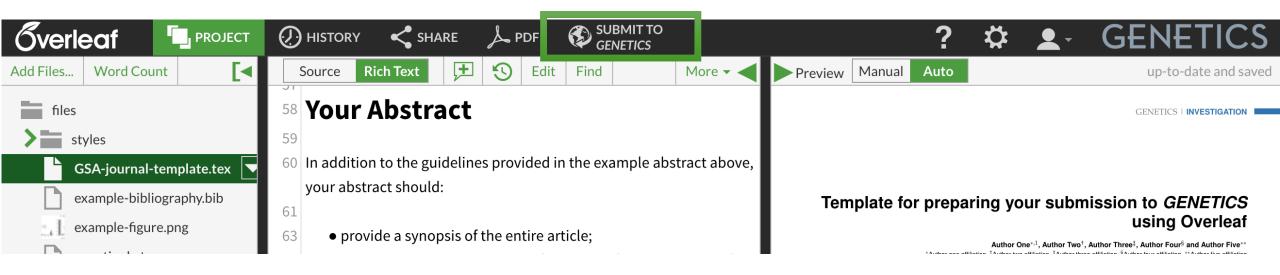
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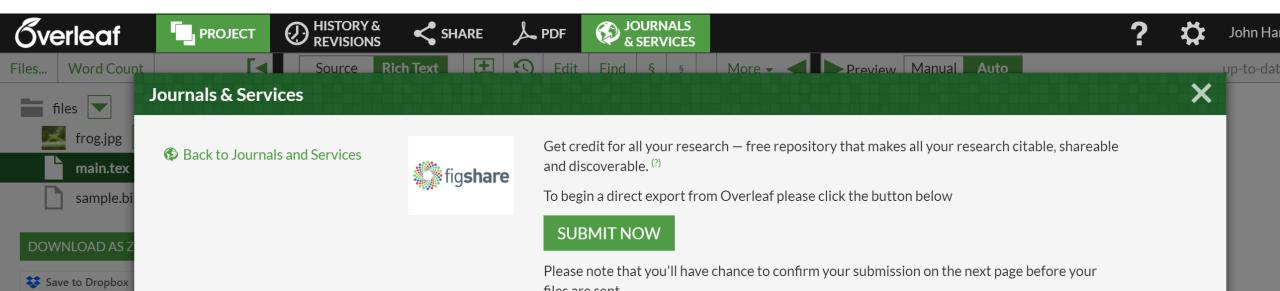
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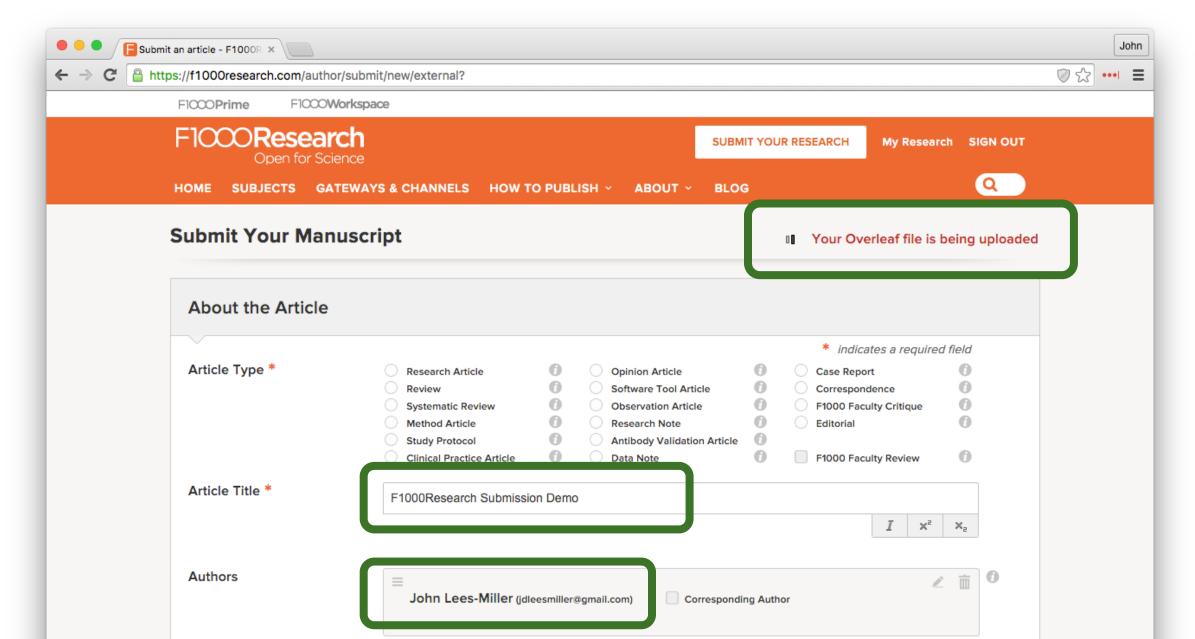
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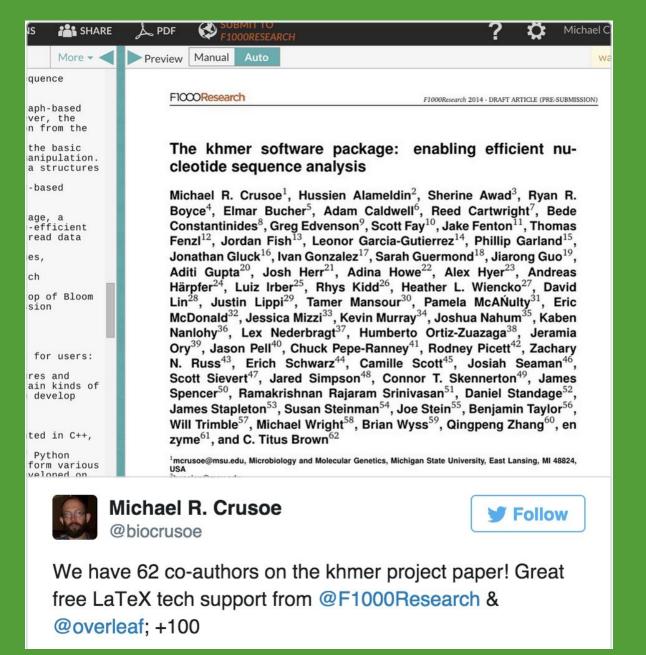




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