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Gray Is Also A Reality

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Manifesto

A large part of scientific literature has never been published. This literature, known as White Papers or Tech Reports, can mostly be discovered on little known websites that are hard to find.

Everyday valuable information is lost because these documents are simply erased.

This has to stop!

Gray literature is an immense resource of information and surprisingly often more comprehensive and easier to understand than official publications in scientific journals. Quite a few technologies are based on such documents. For this we can refer to the work of Tim Berners-Lee about the World Wide Web or the famous white paper by Satoshi on Bitcoin.

Shall we continue to stand by and see this kind of work disappear? No!

Reports of Science accepts this type of literature without restricting it by the usual process of peer review. This way we will be able to preserve it for the future.