TABLE   : QS METHODOOLGY

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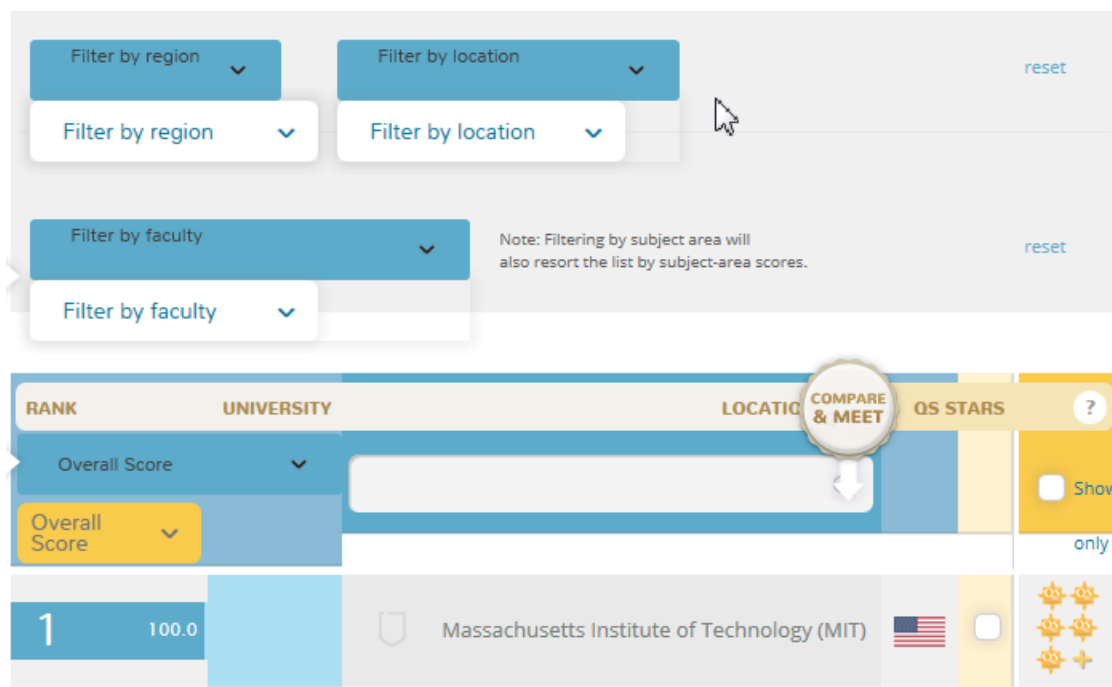
Universities Covered	800	ASIA	BRICS	LATIN AMERICA	ARAB REGION PILOT
Universities Ranked	400	300	200	50	50
Year started	2004	2009	2013	2011	2014
Ranking Interface [1]	Composite score; filter by region or country and then by faculty				
Methodology					
40 % Academic Reputation	Global Survey of over 63000 Academics; uses regional weightings; is said to balance for the under-representation of arts and humanities in citations	30%	30%	30%	30%
10% Employer Reputation	Global Survey of about 28,000Graduate Employers based on perceptions –	10%	20%	20%	20%

	unique to QS				
20% Faculty Student Ratio	An indication of commitment to teaching; academic staff to number of students	20%	20%	10%	20%
20% Citations per faculty	An indication of research impact; 5 years of Scopus data; normalized for size of faculty.	15% papers/faculty 15% cites/paper	5 % papers 10% citations	10% 10%	5% 5%
5% International student ratio	Measuring international diversity of the student community by proportion of international students to the student body	2.5% ratio 2.5% inbound exchange students	2.5% ratio		2.5%
5% International faculty ratio	Measuring international diversity of the academic faculty by proportion of international faculty to overall faculty	2.5% ratio 2.5% outbound exchange students			2.5%
Proportion of staff with PhDs			10%	10%	5%
Web impact	From Webometrics			10%	10%
Supplemental rankings					
Rankings by regions	Asia, BRICS, Latin America, Arabian pilot				
Ranking by faculty	Five broad faculty areas using academic and employee surveys plus citations for 400 universities				
Rankings by subjects	See http://www.iu.qs.com/university-rankings/subject-tables/				

1.   Registration is required to see all rankings and supplemental information

Citation Count: The latest five complete years of data are used, and the total citation count is assessed in relation to the number of academic faculty members at the university, so that larger institutions don't have an unfair advantage