My journey through an inequitable system

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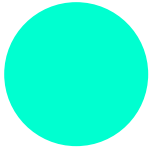

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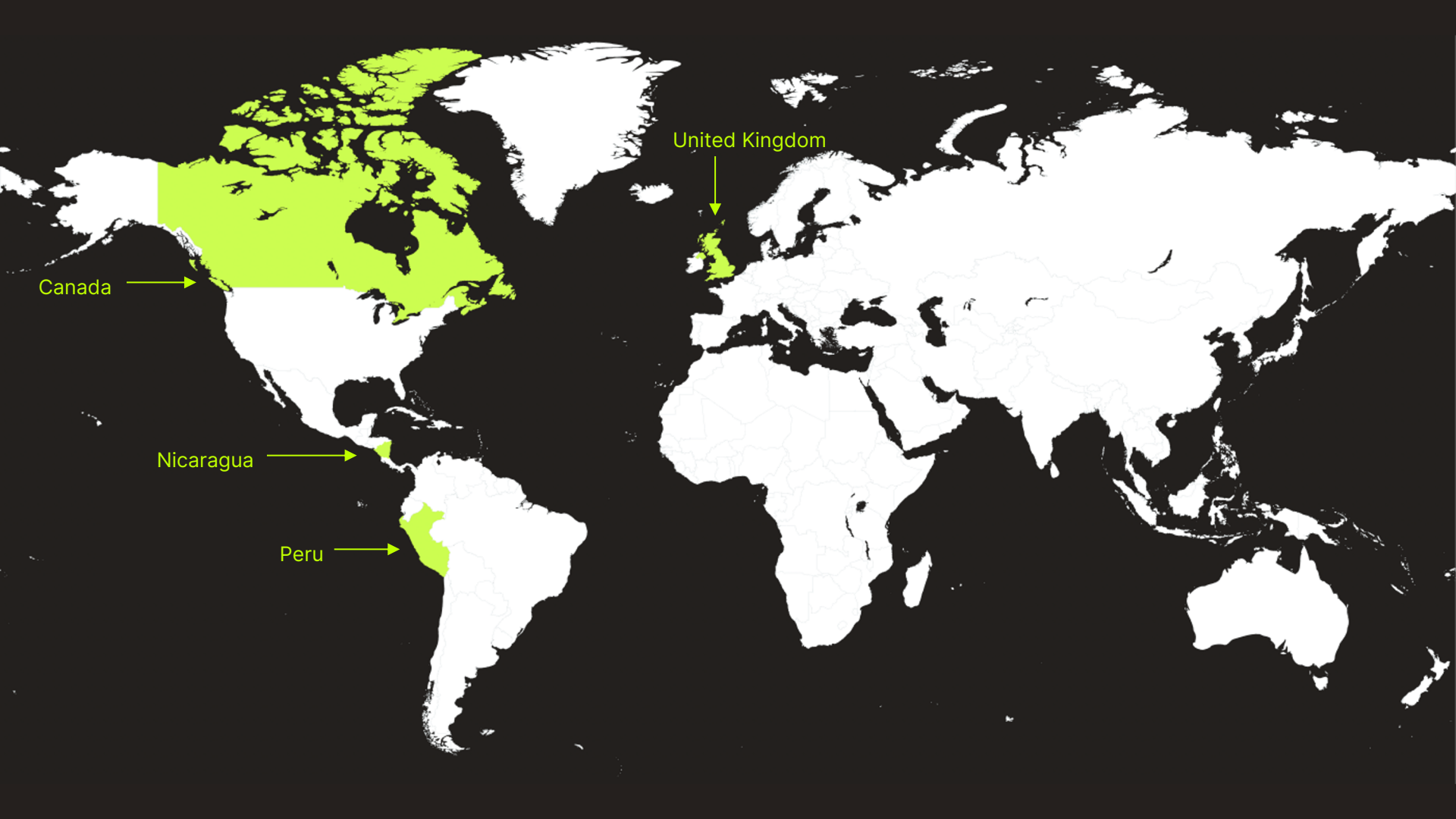
Nicaragua

- 4 decades of political conflict.
- 6.6 million people.
- 103,600 Nicaraguan refugees and asylum seekers worldwide.
- Home.

On UN News:

“Nicaragua: After two years of crisis, more than 100,000 have fled the country”

From https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/03/1059051


United Kingdom
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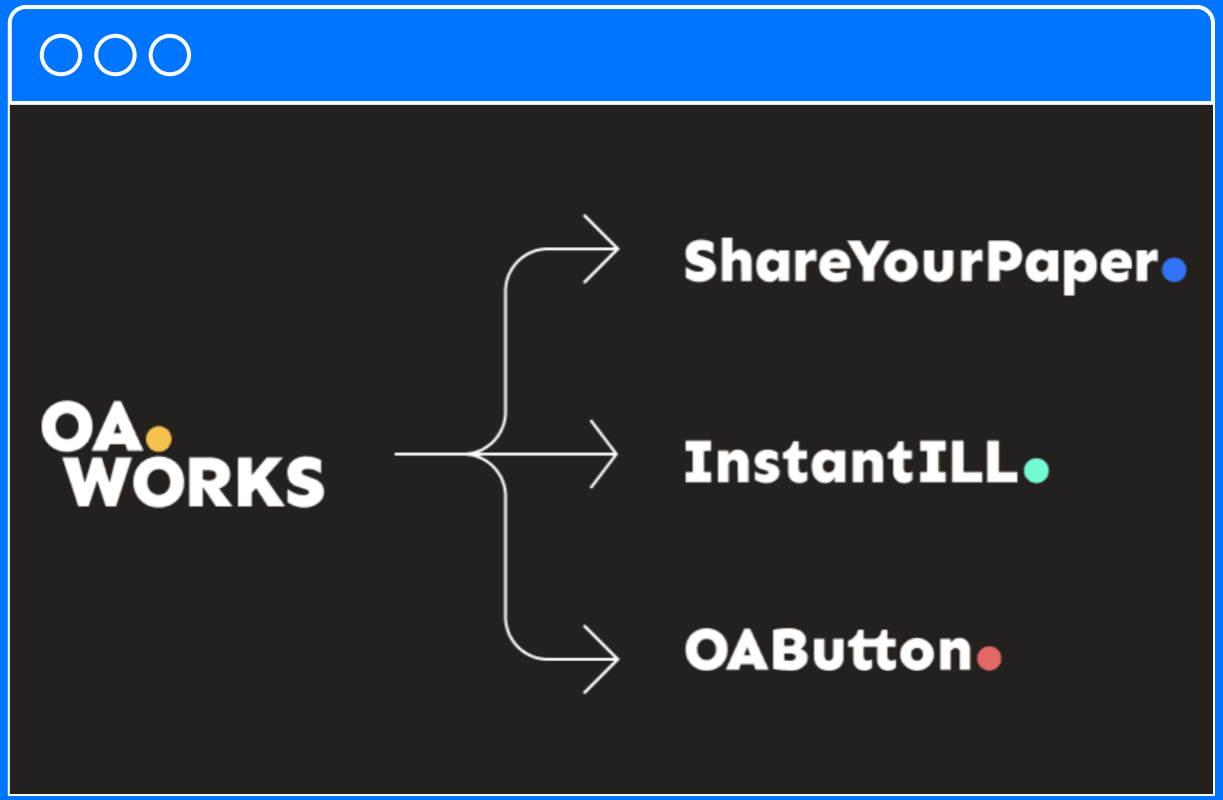

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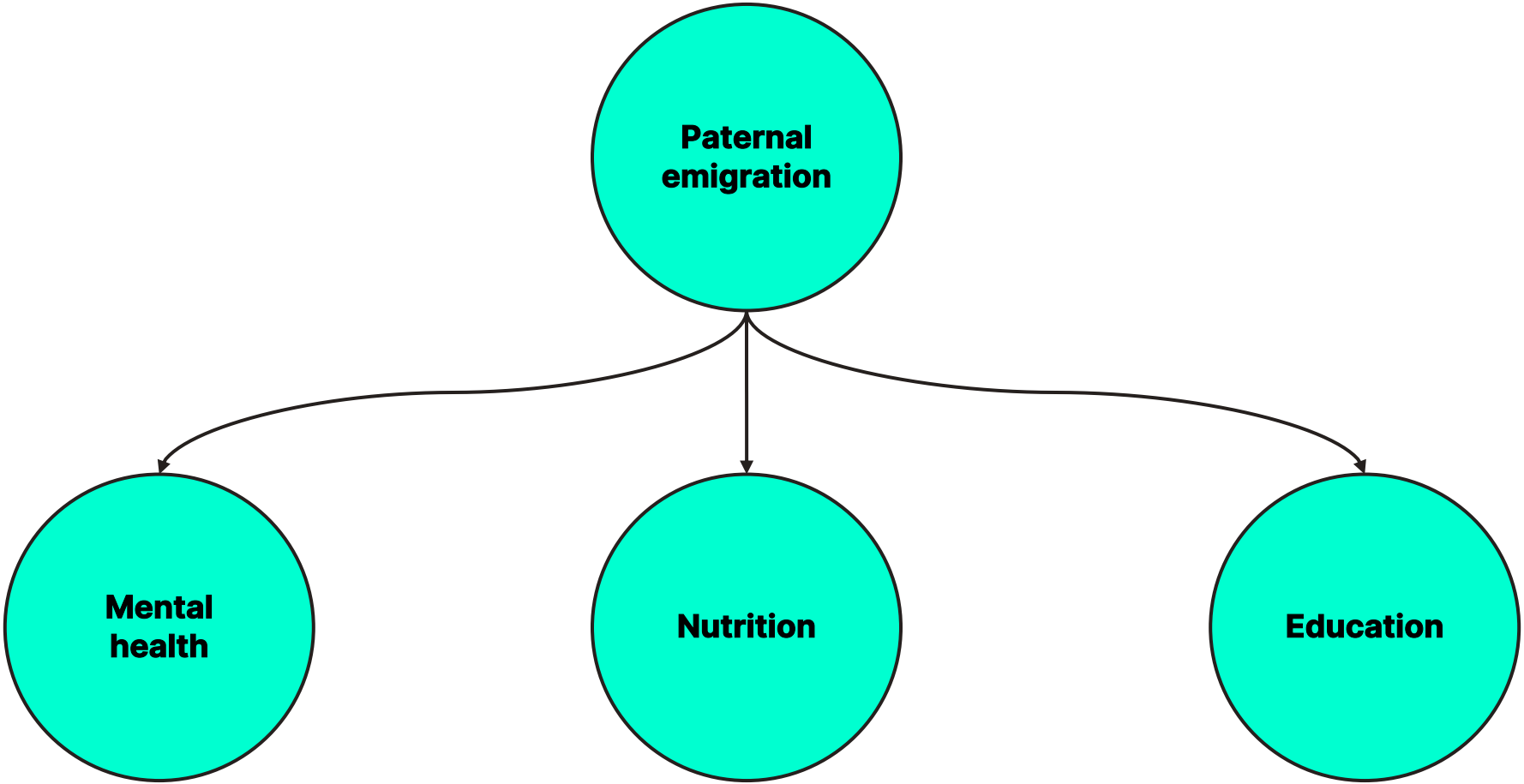
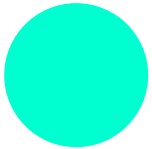
Migration

- Harms public health.
- Connected to climate change.
- 405 million total migrants by 2050.
- 200 million environmental migrants by 2050.


Paternal emigration
Mental health
Nutrition
Education

Open data allows me to look at problems that are systemic in the communities I am from and lowers the barriers to doing that.



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75%

Of scientific papers are published in English.

16%

Of the world population can read and understand them.

Unless we design Open carefully, it won’t help solve COVID & climate change in ways that are equitable and fair.

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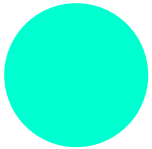

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