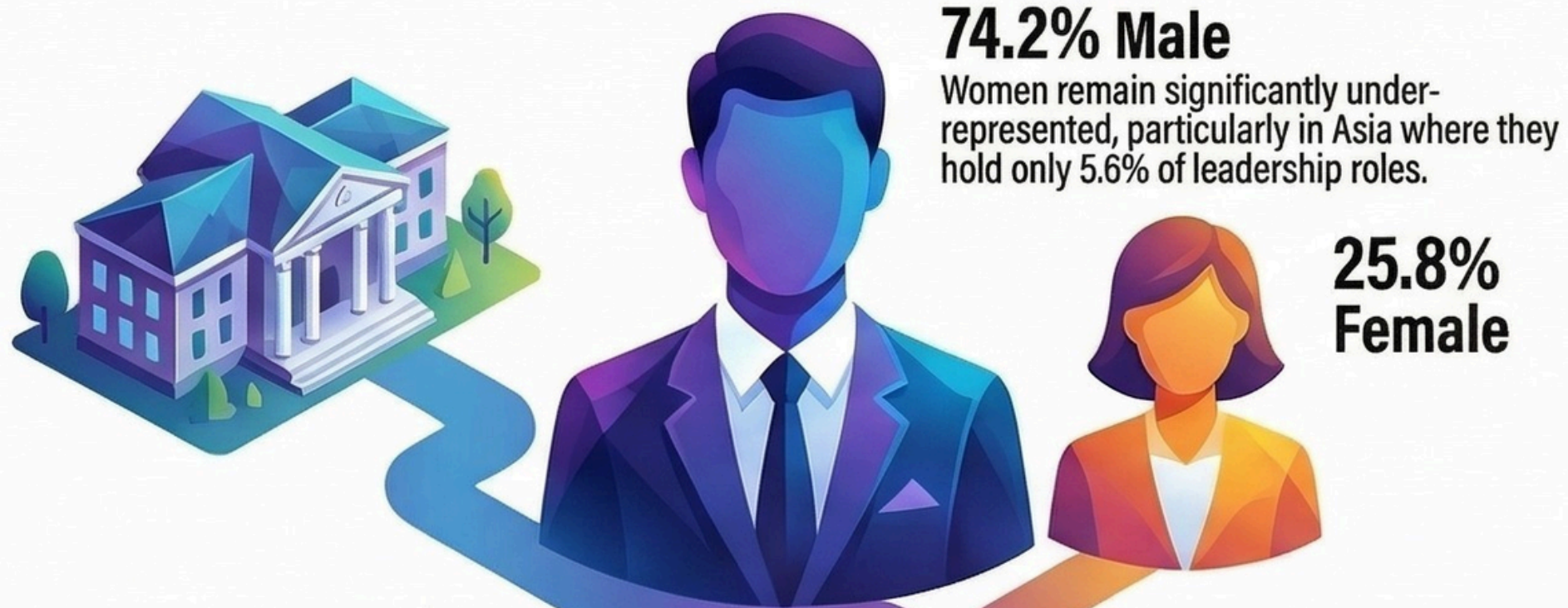


A PROFILE OF LEADERS IN ELITE UNIVERSITIES

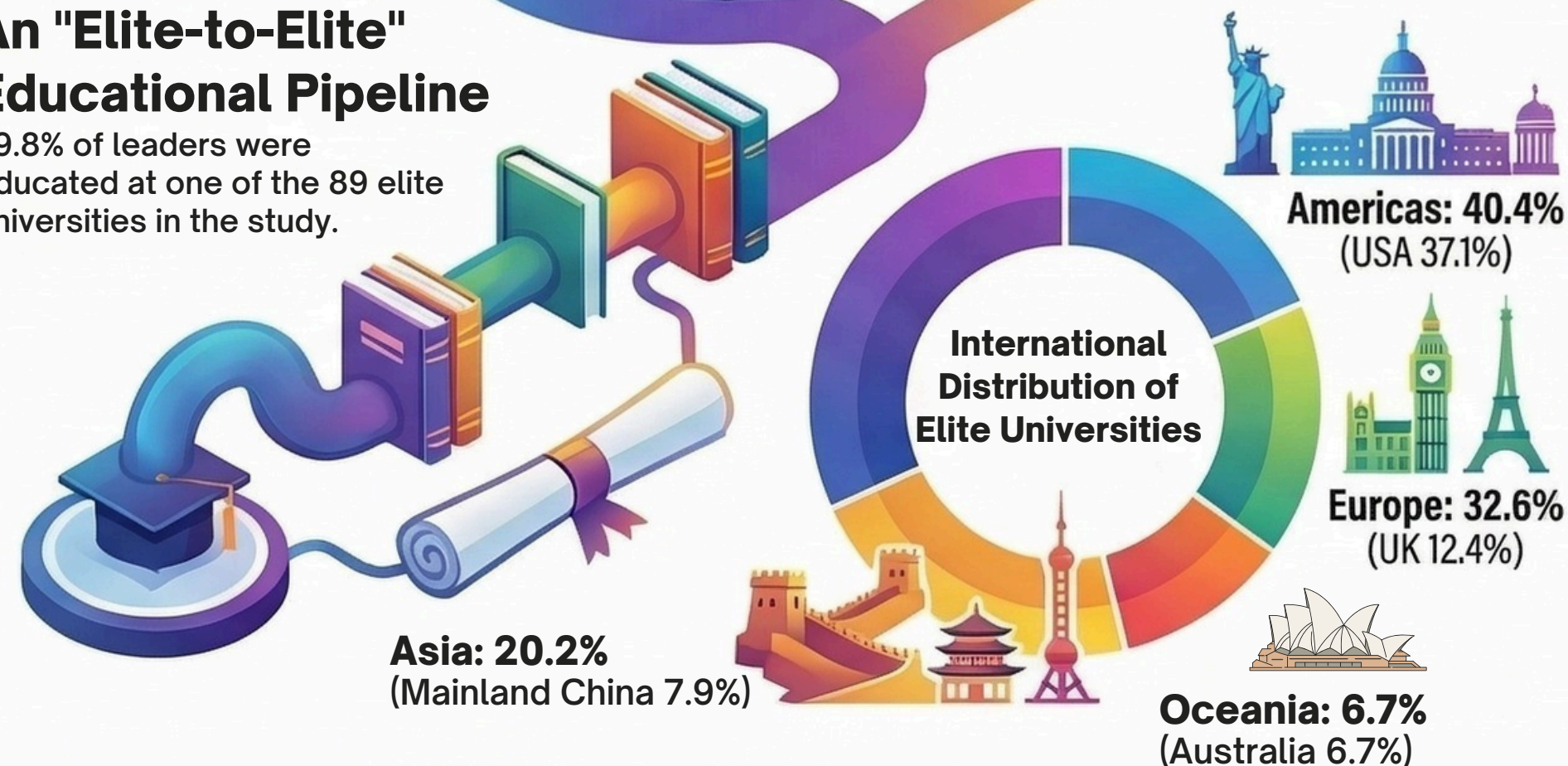
An overview of the demographic, educational, and professional backgrounds of leaders at the world's top 89 universities, based on a 2025 statistical report. This profile highlights a prevailing leadership pattern that is predominantly male, science-focused, and deeply rooted in elite networks.

DEMOGRAPHIC & GLOBAL LANDSCAPE



An "Elite-to-Elite" Educational Pipeline

79.8% of leaders were educated at one of the 89 elite universities in the study.



ACADEMIC & CAREER PATHWAYS



The 30-Year Climb to the Top

Leaders are appointed at an average age of 58, typically 30 years into their careers.

Science Specialisms Lead the Way

56.2% of leaders specialise in Science fields, with Medical and Biological sciences being most common.



70.8% Recruited from Elite Universities

Nearly half worked at the same institution they now lead.

ELITE INSTITUTIONS



OTHER PATHWAYS