

Open Researcher and Contributor Identifier (ORCID)

Optimizing research discovery

Outline:



- What is an ORCID?
- Why researchers should be interested ?
- how to obtain one of these unique identifiers (Step-by-step registration and account setup)

What is ORCID

- **ORCID** is a registry of unique researcher identifiers and a transparent method of linking research activities and outputs to these identifiers
- **An ORCID iD** is a 16 digit unique identifier, for (example, 0000-0002-1234-0056) that uniquely identifies a researcher

- ❖ As a researcher, you want to:
 - Ensure your work is discoverable and connected to you throughout your career
 - Minimize repetitive procedures/time entering data online
 - Eliminate name ambiguity, distinguishing you from other researchers and ensuring proper attribution

Why ORCID

It is currently very difficult to:

- Track different forms of an individual researcher's name across systems;
 - Distinguish between different researchers with the same name;
 - Identify all scholarly works associated with a particular researcher.
 - These difficulties may lead to researchers not receiving attribution for the full range of their scholarly contributions.
- ❖ ORCID attempts to solve this problem by creating unique researchers' ids that can be linked to existing identifiers as well as things like journal publisher manuscript submission systems, funding agency grant application workflows, and other tools.

Step-by-step registration and account setup

1. If you think you've registered for ORCID, but don't remember your ID or user name, try the following steps to find your ORCID iD.

a) Look up your name in the search bar on the main page of the ORCID website (or use the advanced search functionality at <https://orcid.org/orcid-search/search>)

If your profile is in any way populated and the information is set to visible - you will be able to identify yourself and see your ORCID iD.

Steps cont...

b) Go to <https://orcid.org/signin> and enter the email address you think might be associated with your ORCID account, and select the “Forgotten your password? Reset it here” option.

❖ ORCID will send an email to that address with either a link to reset the password, or notification that the email address is not registered

Steps cont..

2. If you don't have an existing ID, register through the ORCID website, <https://ORCID.org/register> (follow prompts).

or if you're already registered, login at <https://ORCID.org/signin>

3. Follow emailed verification instructions

4. Populate all fields that apply