Web of Science ResearcherID

This tip sheet explains how Web of Science ResearcherID can help you.

What is ResearcherID?

Web of Science ResearcherID is a unique number/identifier registered to a researcher. The number contains the year you registered. Web of Science is a citation database covering journal articles, books and conference proceedings in health sciences, sciences, arts and humanities.

You will need to register to get your ResearcherID number (your ResearcherID is not automatically generated when you have work listed in Web of Science). You can then fill in your profile information (last name, first name, institution, country, keywords) and build your “My Publications” list by uploading your works from Web of Science databases.

Once you have created a ResearcherID and added your publications you will be able to use it to find collaborators and get citation metrics from your publication list.

Why should I care?

A Web of Science ResearcherID:

✓ Connects you to your work
✓ Eliminates name ambiguity
✓ Improves discoverability of your work
✓ Stays with your throughout your career
✓ You can link your Web of Science ResearcherID to your ORCID

What do I need to do?

Registering for a Web of Science ResearcherID is simple, free, and only takes about 30 seconds. Just go to http://www.researcherid.com/SelfRegistration.action and fill out the form; first name, last name, email address and the compulsory “how did you hear about us?” question. You will be contacted by ResearcherID.com at the email address you provide.
Top tips to make the most of Web of Science ResearcherID

- You can control whether your profile is public or private, so you don’t have to share if you don’t want to. You can change the settings when you are logged into your account.

- You can create and place an image graphic on your web site to show your membership in ResearcherID. When you hover your mouse over the badge it displays a real-time summary of your ResearcherID Profile.

- You can update your biographical profile information to flesh your profile out by clicking on “Manage My Profile”.

- You can view citation metrics for Web of Science items, search to find collaborators, and review publications lists.

- You can designate an administrator/Research Assistant at the University of Otago to update your ResearcherID publication lists – see instructions at http://images.webofknowledge.com/WOKRS59B4/help/WOS/hp_my_researcherid.html

- Link your ResearcherID to your ORCID. When you sign into your ResearcherID account you will see an option to associate your profile with an ORCID. You will be asked to register (if you do not already have an ORCID) or to sign in if you already have one. Once you have logged into your ORCID you will need to authorise data exchange between the two systems.

- Use your ResearcherID when you submit publications, apply for grants, and in other research workflows to get credit for your work.

Don’t forget!

You will need to keep everything accurate and up-to-date yourself as your ResearcherID does not update your publications automatically. You will need to add your latest articles to your Web of Science ResearcherID.

Need help?

For more information about your Web of Science ResearcherID, please feel free to contact your Subject Librarian (see https://otago.libguides.com/liaison), or go to http://www.researcherid.com