



# WHY SET UP A RESEARCHER ID?

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**ResearcherID** is a free product developed by Thomson Reuters. Once registered, a researcher is assigned a unique ID number that expressly associates them with their published works, regardless of any possible name variations or institutional affiliation changes.

Researchers can update their profile information (role, institution, etc) and build their publication list within their ResearcherID account using Web of Science and ISI Web of Knowledge search services, or by uploading an EndNote file.

ResearcherID provides a **variety of citation metrics including h-index, career citation count, citations per paper and collaboration metrics.**

**Authors can make their profile public or private** (*public is the default setting*). The public ResearcherID account is available and searchable to anyone with Web access.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS IN HAVING A RESEARCHERID?

- It offers an easily accessible online presence for research outputs.
- It provides citation counts for any Web of Science-indexed publications.
- The account is not institution-specific.
- It offers an easy and convenient way to keep track of metrics for Web of Science-indexed publications – this could be useful when putting together grant applications and applications for tenure and promotion.
- It provides a means of promoting work, via the use of the ResearcherID in an email signature.
- ResearcherID publications can be downloaded and linked in UQ eSpace.

Search the Web of Science using your unique Researcher ID number. Create citation reports and analyse publication metrics. Author ambiguities are removed and complex author searches are simplified when searching by an author's Researcher ID number. Authors need to keep ResearcherID up-to-date.

A **ResearcherID** account is a particular advantage for researchers in disciplines where there is excellent **Web of Science coverage**. For researchers with patchy or no Web of Science coverage, the benefits are less tangible.

## UQ STAFF

- If you are a UQ staff member and you would like to register for a ResearcherID, please send an email to [espace@library.uq.edu.au](mailto:espace@library.uq.edu.au) with 'RID request' in the subject line. Please include your full name and UQ username (UQ login) in the email.
- Records added to ResearcherID accounts from Web of Science will be imported into UQ eSpace, the institutional repository.
- If you have a ResearcherID account and want to link it to UQ eSpace, please send an email to [espace@library.uq.edu.au](mailto:espace@library.uq.edu.au) with 'RID link request' in the subject line and include your ResearcherID, UQ username (UQ login) and the email address you used when you registered your ResearcherID account.



You will need to keep your ResearcherID account publications up to date.

ResearcherID does not automatically update with new publications.

