Cultivating your researcher profile


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Cite your ORCID every time you submit an article for publication (and any other IDs required by the publisher). Enter once, reuse often – more below.

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Take careful note of your IDs and passwords.

Check your record at least annually to ensure you are showing the best face to the world – are all your publications represented?

Use a consistent way of describing your organisational affiliation/s. If you are a joint appointment staff member, note all your affiliations in a consistent way. eg
Department of Intensive Care Medicine, Royal Perth Hospital and School of Population Health, University of Western Australia, Western Australia, Australia
Department of Respiratory Medicine, Fiona Stanley Hospital, Murdoch, WA.

Publish in reputable sources – consider publishing in open access journals but be aware of article processing charges levied by publishers.

**Why?**

- ensure your works are recognised as yours - avoid name ambiguity
- promote your research and teaching activities
- improve your chance of being cited
- guarantee credit in research assessments / reporting
- find new collaborators
- improve your profile with research funding sources
- ensure your works are recognised by your employer

**Where?**

- Always maintain a record of your publications – if you use EndNote you can store the pdfs with the citations [http://selibrary.health.wa.gov.au/endnote](http://selibrary.health.wa.gov.au/endnote)
- ORCID - [https://orcid.org](https://orcid.org)

**Help?**

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