

ORCID: Building a global research infrastructure of persistent identifiers & community support

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ORCID (Open Researcher & Contributor ID) is a persistent digital identifier for researchers that can be used throughout their life-long career. Since the launch of ORCID registry service in 2012, more than 3 million users around the world have registered for an iD and the number is growing rapidly.

ORCID provides a free platform for individuals to create linkages between their iDs and publications, awards, professional activities etc., ensuring that their academic contributions are correctly attributed. In addition, ORCID works with more than 600 member organizations to reduce reporting burdens of researchers by enabling automatic updates through a variety of systems such as researcher profile services, manuscript submission systems, institutional repositories, grant management systems, and more.

ORCID Inc. is a non-profit organization supported by member organizations, voluntary committee members and ambassadors. More than half of ORCID member organizations are universities and research institutions, helping their affiliated researchers manage their digital identities effectively. More than 10 countries have established national and regional consortia, many of which are driven by academic librarians and research managers.

This presentation will illustrate how ORCID identifiers are being used in different stages of scholarly communication with an emphasis on journal publishing process, and how member organizations are integrating ORCID into various systems. It also explains why and how ORCID needs support of the research community.

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