The OJS ORCiD plugin

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What is ORCiD?

ORCID (Open Researcher and Contributor ID) is a free, unique, persistent identifier that distinguishes you from every other researcher. Think of it as a digital passport for your research identity. If you do not have one, you can register for one at https://orcid.org/.

How do I add my ORCiD to my publications on OpenJournals?

1. Log into the journal website.
2. Go to your user profile:
   - Click on your username (usually in the top right corner)
   - Select "View Profile" or "Edit Profile"
3. Go the the public tab in your profile settings
4. **Look for the ORCID section** (usually displays as "Create or Connect your ORCID iD")
5. Click the "Create or Connect your ORCID iD" button
6. You'll be redirected to the ORCID website:
   a. If you already have an ORCID iD: Sign in with your ORCID credentials
   b. If you don't have an ORCID iD: Click "Register now" to create one (it's free!)
7. Authorize the connection
8. You'll be redirected back to the journal. Your ORCiD will have been added to existing publications associated with your account.

Can I add the ORCiD information of my co-authors when submitting our manuscript?

If you or one of your co-authors haven't connected your ORCID to your profile (perhaps because they do not have one), you can add it during the submission process:

1. **Start your manuscript submission** as usual
2. **In the Contributors section**, you'll see an ORCID field
3. Copy the ORCID iD from your ORCID profile (format: https://orcid.org/0000-0000-0000-0000)
4. Paste it in the ORCID field in your profile or submission form

Be aware that this means these ORCiDs need to be verified before publication. Your co-authors will automatically get an email about this. Unverified ORCiDs will be removed upon publication. If so, they can still be added to the author's profile.

How do I (and my co-authors) verify my ORCiD?

If you've already connected your ORCID to your profile:

- *Your ORCID iD is already verified! Look for a green checkmark or verification badge next to your ORCID iD in your profile or submissions.*

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If not:

1. After submission, the journal may send co-authors an email invitation
2. Co-authors click the link in the email
3. They're prompted to authenticate their ORCID iD
4. Authentication is linked to the specific submission

Co-authors can authenticate at any point before publication.

Can I add my ORCiD to publications retroactively?

You can, by making a profile using the same email-address and linking and verifying the ORCiD to your profile.

Information for editors

Introduction

The ORCID plugin for Open Journal Systems (OJS) 3.4 enables your journal to integrate with ORCID (Open Researcher and Contributor ID), a persistent digital identifier that distinguishes individual researchers. This guide will help you understand how to use and manage the ORCID plugin as an editor.

What is an ORCiD

ORCID provides researchers with a unique, persistent identifier that follows them throughout their career, ensuring their work is properly attributed regardless of name changes, institutional moves, or common names. An ORCID iD looks like this:

https://orcid.org/0000-0002-1825-0097

Benefits for your journal

- **Author Disambiguation**: Accurately identify authors and reduce confusion from similar names

- **Improved Discoverability**: ORCID-authenticated publications are more discoverable

- **Streamlined Submissions**: Authors can auto-populate submission data from their ORCID profile

- **Increased Trust**: ORCID authentication adds credibility to author identities

- **Metadata Quality**: Enhanced metadata for indexing services

Unverified ORCiDs when publishing

You cannot publish an article where one or more ORCiDs are unverified.

Authors are automatically asked to verify their ORCID when the submission reaches the copy-editing stage. You can resend this email by going to the contributors tab under publication and checking the 'resend verification mail' option under 'ORCID' settings.

Alternatively, you can remove their unverified ORCID information in order to publish.

In other words, you have two options:

Option A: Wait for Verification

- Resend the request for verification or contact the authors in some other manner

- Delay publication until all ORCID iDs are verified

Option B: Publish with Partial ORCID Information

- Proceed with publication

- Remove unverified ORCID iDs

- Inform authors that they can add ORCID iDs retroactively to their profiles