

ORCID Reviewer Recognition FAQ



What is ORCID Reviewer Recognition?

ORCID (Open Researcher and Contributor ID - www.orcid.org) is a not-for-profit organization that issues free, unique identifiers to scholarly researchers. ORCID provides a way for researchers to connect their unique IDs with manuscript reviews undertaken for scholarly journals. This means reviewers can be recognized for their work.

Why is Reviewer Recognition important?

Each year, researchers volunteer millions of hours to undertake peer review for scholarly journals. Historically these contributions have remained anonymous and unrewarded. ORCID Reviewer Recognition provides a visible and verifiable way for journals to publicly credit reviewers, without compromising the confidentiality of the peer review process.

What does ORCID Peer Review Recognition look like?

The ORCID record includes formal recognition by the publisher and journal, as seen in this example:

The screenshot shows a web interface for ORCID peer review activity. At the top, it says 'Peer review (1)' with a plus sign and 'Add peer review' and 'Sort' buttons. Below that, it says 'review activity for JOURNALA(1)' with a user icon, a lock icon, and a refresh icon. The main content is a table with columns: Review date, Type, Role, and Actions. The table has one row for the year 2018, with Type 'review', Role 'reviewer', and Actions 'hide details | view |'. Below the table, it shows 'Review identifier(s): SOURCE-WORK-ID: bd61d468-aa56-4579-b5be-7f097f079a8', 'Convening organization: JOURNALA(north andover, United States)', and 'Source: Editorial Manager'.

Review date	Type	Role	Actions
2018	review	reviewer	hide details view

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Convening organization: JOURNALA(north andover, United States)
Source: Editorial Manager Created: 2018-03-22

What is the relationship between Editorial Manager and ORCID?

The Editorial Manager peer review system uses the ORCID API to unambiguously associate peer review activity undertaken by individual researchers with their ORCID IDs. For example, ORCID can be used for Editorial Manager registration, login, submission and peer review recognition.

What about journals that operate “blind” peer review workflows?

The majority of scholarly journals run “blind” peer review workflows. This means that the identities of reviewers are not known to authors. In order to retain reviewer anonymity, the transfer of data from Editorial Manager to ORCID does not include details of the individual manuscript. In addition, posting of recognition can be delayed (e.g. monthly or quarterly) so as to “mask” the exact date of review completion.

What if the reviewer initially declines to deposit, and then changes their mind?

No problem! The reviewer navigates to their completed assignments dashboard and then clicks on “ORCID Deposit Authorization” to complete the process.

What if the reviewer does not have an ORCID ID?

If a reviewer requesting credit does not have an ORCID ID, Editorial Manager will automatically interface with the ORCID system so that they can confirm an existing ID or register a new ID. It takes less than a minute to create a new ORCID ID.

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Do reviewers have to opt-in to get credit?

Yes. In order to meet GDPR privacy standards it is very important that reviews are recognized in ORCID only if reviewers have given their explicit consent. For this reason, the Editorial Manager system administrator must activate an appropriate opt-in question to appear on the reviewer form. Editorial Manager only triggers ORCID deposit if the reviewer has answered affirmatively.

ORCID Reviewer Credit

[Instructions] Your ORCID iD: 0000-0002-5709-9000 

* Do we have your consent to update your ORCID Record's Review Activity (subject to publication policy) to show that you completed a Review for this publication? This might trigger a one-time Authorization interaction with ORCID on proceeding.

Yes No

How are publishers and journals acknowledged as the verifiable source of the recognition?

ORCID member organizations provide Aries with secure “credentials” that are used in the API communications between Editorial Manager and the ORCID system. This means that within the ORCID record:

- The “Source” of the deposit is identified as the publisher
- The “Review Group” is the journal name, and
- The “Convening Organization” is the appropriate scholarly society (if any)

Can reviewer recognition be activated for journals and publishers that are not ORCID member organizations?

Yes, however, in this instance the “Source” of the deposit will be identified as Editorial Manager rather than the publisher. For this reason Aries recommends ORCID membership.

How much does it cost?

There is no charge to Editorial Manager customers for this functionality.

When can journals activate this functionality?

This functionality is included as standard in Editorial Manager Version 15.0.

How long does it take to activate?

Approximately 10 minutes. Your Aries Account Coordinator can help you with configuration.

Is there a video?

Yes: <https://tinyurl.com/emorcid>

