Reporting users

How do I report someone on ResearchGate?

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To report a researcher on ResearchGate, follow these simple steps:

1. Go to the profile of the researcher you want to block
2. Click on their **Info** tab
3. Scroll down to the bottom right and click **Flag profile**
4. Write a short description of your concern, and click **Flag profile**.

Reporting a researcher informs our Community Support team of the issue. They will investigate and take action as appropriate. Please note that the researcher that you report will not be notified.

How do I block someone on ResearchGate?

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To block a researcher from interacting with you on ResearchGate, follow these simple steps:

1. Go to the profile of the researcher you want to block
2. Click on their **Info** tab
3. Scroll down to the bottom right and click **Block researcher**.

Blocking a researcher means they'll be removed from your list of followers and won't be able to message you or see updates about you. Blocking works both ways, so your contact with them will be limited in the same way. Please note that the researcher that you block will not be notified.

The wrong person has claimed co-authorship of my publication

Our publication search algorithm is designed to help you quickly confirm authorship of your publications on ResearchGate. The ease of this one-click process means mistakes can sometimes be made, so if another researcher has claimed to be your co-author, it is usually the result of an honest mistake.

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I don’t recognize a researcher associated with my institution

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