Reporting duplicate publications and profiles

I’ve found a duplicate publication

ResearchGate automatically merges publications where all information is identical, including title, date of publication, author list and journal. Please note that if you have added both of the publications yourself, they will not be merged automatically. Instead, you should just delete one of the publications. Additionally, if one of the publications has a DOI, or both publications have different DOIs, then they will not be merged automatically.

Here’s how you can edit the duplicate publications to make the information identical:

1. Go to the Research item’s ResearchGate page by clicking on the title of the publication
2. Click on the downward-facing blue arrow to the right of Download and Request Feedback and select Edit from the drop-down list
3. Make the necessary changes (Note: you cannot add the same DOI to two different publications. If one of the publications has a DOI, please contact us with links to the duplicates)
4. Click Save.

Once all of the information is matched, it can take up to 72 hours for the publications to be automatically merged. If they have not merged after 72 hours, please contact us with links to the duplicates and we’ll merge them.

If the publications were both uploaded by yourself, or if you have duplicates where one has an RG DOI, please remove one. For more information on how to delete publications, see: Editing and deleting research

I have two profiles – why did this happen and how can I fix it?

Duplicate profiles are sometimes created because of the various ways you can sign up to ResearchGate. The best way to fix this is to delete whichever profile is less complete, as long as you keep the profile you still have access to.

To delete your secondary profile:

1. Log in with the email address you used to create your secondary profile
2. Go to your Account Settings page
3. Scroll down to the bottom of the page
4. Click the red Delete my Account button.

If you no longer have access to the old profile, please contact us and provide us with the ResearchGate URLs or email addresses for the duplicate profiles. Also, please specify which link should be kept and which link should be merged.

Please note that we can only transfer the publications to your new account and remove the old one. Profile views, followers, followings, projects and questions will not be transferred.

I’ve discovered a profile in my name. What can I do?
When browsing ResearchGate you might come across a profile in your name or that of a colleague/co-author. This is most likely an author profile if the URL has this form: https://www.researchgate.net/researcher/number_firstname_lastname

Author profiles contain bibliographic data of published and publicly available information. They exist to make claiming and adding publications to your profile easier.

To claim your author profile (and all the publications that come along with it), click on the Are you Firstname Lastname? button on the top right-hand side of the page. The author profile will then be merged with your ResearchGate profile. If you know the researcher who should claim this author profile, click on Do you know Firstname Lastname? If they are on ResearchGate and in your network, simply type their name into the field provided, and select their profile when it appears. If they are not on ResearchGate, you will be prompted to enter their email address, which will send an email to that researcher suggesting the author profile to them.