How to unfollow, block, or report another researcher

If you would just like to see less of what a particular researcher shares and does on ResearchGate, you can unfollow them. If you want to make sure another researcher is removed from your list of followers and can't message you or see updates about you, you can block them. If you want to report a researcher who is violating our **Community Guidelines** or **Terms of Service**, you can use our report profile feature. We explain each of these options below.

If you want to report something posted or sent by a researcher, please report it to us directly from the content. Learn more about reporting content **here**.

How do I unfollow another researcher?

You can unfollow a researcher to see less of what they share and do on ResearchGate. Here's how:

1. Go to the profile of the researcher you want to unfollow
2. Click on their **Experience** tab
3. On the right side of the page click **Unfollow.**

You can also unfollow a researcher whose updates appear in your home feed by clicking on the downward arrow at the top right of their update, and choosing the **Unfollow** option.

To start following a researcher again, visit their profile page and click the blue **Follow** button in the top right-hand corner.

How do I block another researcher?

Blocking another 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. When you block someone, we don't notify them. If you just want to see less of what the researcher shares and does on ResearchGate, you can unfollow them instead.

Here's how to block another researcher:

1. Go to the profile of the researcher you want to block
2. Click on their **Experience** tab
3. On the right side of the page click **Block researcher**

You've now blocked this researcher. If you want to unblock them, simply go to their profile, click on their Info tab, scroll down to the Actions section on the right-hand side, and click **Unblock researcher.**

How do I report another researcher?

To report a researcher who is violating our **Community Guidelines** or **Terms of Service**, follow these simple steps:

1. Go to the profile of the researcher you want to report
2. Click on their **Experience** tab
3. On the right side of the page click **Report profile**
4. Explain how this researcher is violating our **Community Guidelines** or **Terms of Service**, and click **Report profile** to finish.

How do I report a researcher who has confirmed authorship of my publications?

Our publication search algorithm is designed to help you quickly confirm authorship of your publications on ResearchGate. The ease of this 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.

If you notice that someone has mistakenly confirmed authorship of your publication(s), please provide us with URLs to their ResearchGate profile and some publication pages that they have erroneously claimed through the **Contact form**.

We take erroneous authorship claims very seriously and review each case manually, so please bear with us.

How do I report to ResearchGate that a researcher has passed away?

If you want to let us know that a researcher has passed away, please **contact us** and include the following details:

- The researcher's name
- The URL of their ResearchGate profile
- A link to their obituary and/or a notice on their institutional page.

As soon as we can confirm the report, we'll remove the researcher's personal contact information from their profile and prevent them from appearing in notification emails you and your colleagues may receive in the future. You might still see them appearing in your notification emails if their work is published after their passing.