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## Why are some of my citations not shown?

We regularly import citation data from different sources and do our best to ensure accuracy. However, while citations using standard citation styles are usually extracted accurately on ResearchGate, there are some cases where this can be difficult.

**Here's what you can do to help your citations appear on ResearchGate:**

- Make sure the citing paper is on ResearchGate
- Check to see if the paper has complete and accurate metadata (e.g., publication date, journal, abstract)
- Make sure any full-text PDFs were not created by scanning a hard copy, as we can't extract citations from scanned copies

If you recently added a publication to ResearchGate and notice that citations are missing, please be patient as it can take some time to extract all its citations. Please also note that we aren't able to manually add your citations from other sources, e.g., Google Scholar.

We understand that it's frustrating when citations aren't displayed, so we're always working on new ways to improve how we extract and match citations.

## Why did my citation count decrease?

There are two possible reasons why your citation count or h-index decreased. It is possible that you were cited by a publication which was duplicated in our system. We then merged the duplicates which resulted in the loss of a citation. Alternatively, an author of a publication which cited you may have removed their publication from our database entirely. Since there are over a billion citations in our database, we cannot further investigate the cause of any particular fluctuation in citation count or h-index.