

Symplectic Elements REF Webinar 11 July 2019

Queries raised during the session for follow-up later

Thanks to you all for your questions during the session. Please find below our responses on each of the questions that we were unable to adequately cover during the webinar itself.

1. Would it be possible to include publication title in the bulk upload spreadsheet?

Rachel Baird

This was discussed with the team relating to all bulk imports. There was a concern that it would be unusual for the import to ignore certain columns, and to ignore any potential discrepancies between the ID provided and the title. But we will look into this again.

2. Could the bulk option be used more generally, e.g. to add some report dates? I was thinking about the reporting dates that are used to assess if works are REF open access compliant

Alice Gibson

We don't think the 'Editing bulk submission status' is the right place for these fields. However, we will look at including these in the planned REF2 Stock report, and the REF2 Open Access tab.

3. If we have set our records to draw from a preferred trusted metadata source (e.g. our institutional repository) will the Verified tab still not be verified (i.e. give a false negative)?

Tim Brooks

The Verification status being displayed in the REF2 is indicating whether a verified manual record exists. So, only those with a verified manual record will be flagged as 'Verified' on the REF2 form.

Manage REF2 Research Output

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The screenshot shows a web interface for managing research output. At the top, there are three tabs: 'Summary' (selected), 'Review', and 'Acceptance + Attribution'. Below the tabs, a record is displayed with the following details:

- Title: [Behavior of eigenvalues in a region of broken PT symmetry](#)
- Authors: [Bender CM](#), Hassanpour N, [Hook DW](#), Klevansky SP, Sünderhauf C, Wen Z
- Date: 04 May 2017 in Physical Review A
- Type: Journal article

On the right side of the record, there are three status buttons: 'Not verified' (grey), 'Entry in progress' (red), and 'Attributed Daniel Hook' (green). Below the record, there are two fields: 'Output date' (04 May 2017) and 'Overall review score' (3*). At the bottom, there is a 'REF2 data confirmation workflow' section with a dropdown menu set to 'Entry in progress' and 'Cancel' and 'Save' buttons.

4. We have used the scoreset more than once in different stages: Scoring, re-scoring, final review. Will that break anything?

Andy Reid

In terms of applying an overall score to a REF2, the scoresets used at different stages will not matter. These will all need to be converted to a single overall review score, as per whatever internal mapping you choose to apply (and you can then upload these overall scores using bulk csv import).

5. Largely agree re person data, but Orcid is a matter of validated record in Elements already - can you make an exception for Orcid ID please?

Tim Brooks

I understood that there were some complications in sourcing ORCID IDs directly from Elements (as for some institutions, definitive ORCID IDs are stored in HR). But I will consult with the team and if this can be reasonably delivered, we will do so.