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## PUBLONS, WHAT?

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I am frequently asked if my reviewer record should be transferred to Publons. I always say no as I don't see any benefit. Publons according to Wikipedia is a

commercial website that provides a free service for academics to track, verify, and showcase their peer review and editorial contributions for academic journals. It was launched in 2012 and was bought by Clarivate Analytics in 2017 (which also owns Web of Science, EndNote, and ScholarOne). It claims that over 200,000 researchers have joined the site, adding more than one million reviews across 25,000 journals.

So should I really spend my limited time with a pseudo-scientific profile? Even the head scores there seem to be ridiculous as I have done less than 500 reviews so far. Since 1988 and not 2012....

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•	RESEARCHERS			INSTITUTION	# PUBLICATIONS	# VERIFIED * REVIEWS	# VERIFIED EDITOR RECORDS
1		Seyedali Mirjalili	₹ 😭	Torrens University Australia	34	1.659	66
2	9	Ahmed Abdel Razek	0	Mansoura University	17	1.114	ii.
3	9	Lingxin Chen	<b>*</b> @	Chinese Academy of Sciences	12	922	2
4	2	Babak Mohammadi	0	Lund University	18	740	2
5	YL	Yang Li	0	Argonne National Laboratory		713	79
б	0	Wei-Chiang Hong	0	Oriental Institute of Technology	5	710	24
7	RR	rod rohrich		*		710	98
8	8	Xinghua Li		Wuhan University		676	
9	2	Sathishkumar V E		Sunchon National University	5	624	-
0	8	Rock Keey Liew	9	Universiti Malaysia Terengganu	9	617	60
n	1	Pau-Loke Show	9	University of Nottingham	78	606	121
12	-	Maad M. Mijwil		Baghdad College of Economic Sciences Univers	1	597	
13	BC	Bo Cai	0	University of South Carolina		583	

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