Description

As a researcher, are you busy meeting deadlines, multi-tasking, updating yourself with advances in your field, networking with peers, and bogged down with dozens of other related activities? You need not worry any longer! With technological advances, you can achieve a lot of these time-consuming and tedious tasks by clicking a few buttons. A diverse array of online resources are currently available to simplify tasks for researchers. In this post, we give you an overview of various types of e-tools (with examples) that you will find handy as productive researchers.

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HANDY E-TOOLS FOR RESEARCHERS

REFERENCE MANAGER
Mendeley: Free software that helps you to manage references automatically. Generates bibliographies and imports papers from folders, existing libraries, and websites.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT
RAx: An AI-powered online Research Assistant that helps researchers and publishers with literature review, critical reading, concept extraction, semantic knowledge mining, content discovery, and recommendation.

IMPACT TRACKING
Altmetric: Tracks online social media shares and mentions of your research. Does real-time monitoring & tracking of early engagement and showcases influence.

SEARCH ENGINE
Google Scholar: One-stop shop for links to scholarly articles. Locates links to available documents (theses, journal publications, etc.) and tracks citations, h-indices, etc.

JOURNAL FINDER
Enago Open Access Journal Finder: Shortlists high-quality, non-predatory, open access journals that are most relevant to your research objectives.

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH
PaperHive: An online collaborative platform that enables researchers to simplify research communication and makes reading more interactive, social, and productive.

IMAGE CREATION
Canva: An online tool with features such as image editing, design elements, graphs, charts, templates, and grids. They provide an online workshop for beginners.

SHARING
Figshare: Makes work available in a citable, shareable, and discoverable format. Able to share papers, posters, presentations, datasets, and codes.

KEYWORD OPTIMIZER
Google Keyword Planner: A keyword research instrument that gives both historic and predictive data for potential keywords.

DIGITAL IDENTIFIER
ORCID: Provides a unique identity to individuals for engagement in research, scholarship, and innovation.

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