What does the internet say about you?

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Plan for today

Why care about an internet presence?

Tell people you exist

Show people who you are

Show people what you do

Why care about an internet presence?

It's nice to be known

Reputation is crucial in academia

Hiring Promotion

Networking Citations

Control the narrative!

Tell people you exist

Search engine rankings

Algorithms determine your rankings in search engines

Make profiles on standard websites to borrow those sites' reputations

Use other peoples' websites

Google Scholar

ORCID

Institutional directory

LinkedIn

GitHub

Link your profiles

List your different profiles on each site to help the algorithm link them together

Show people who you are

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Your own website

Social media

Use your own website

Have a central place that is all about you and what you do

Control the narrative about you

Point everything else here

How and where?

A website is (typically) a set of HTML files that lives on a computer somewhere in the world

Use someone else's server or your own

Web hosting

Google Sites

(free; limited design choices)

Wix

(free/paid; ad-supported)

WordPress

(free/paid; more design options)

Weebly

(free/paid; ad-supported)

Squarespace

(paid; incredibly flexible)

Slightly more technical

Your institution

(unknown process for editing)

Netlify

(free; supply your own HTML)

GitHub Pages

(free; supply your own HTML)

Self-hosted (like Digital Ocean)

(cheap; total control; more complicated)

Domain name

A domain name is an address that points at a server

sites.google.com/yourname vs. yourname.com

You can point a domain name at pretty much any hosting option

iwantmyname.com

What should be there?

At minimum

About

CV

Research

Teaching

Other stuff

Blog

/uses & /now

Social media

Have a presence on social media

(Twitter, Instagram, TikTok, etc.)

What should I post?

Strictly professional

Only advertise research

Personal + professional

Show the world who you are (part of that is research)

Why?

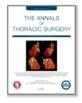
Boost your own work



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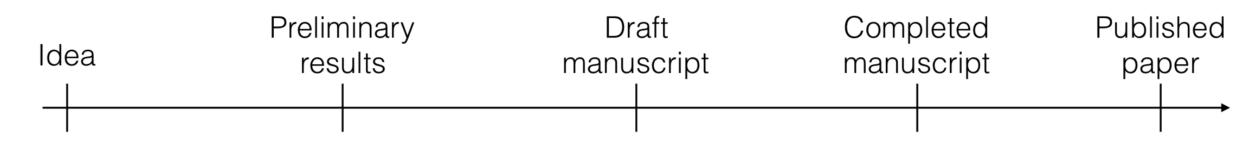
Show people what you do

Show people what you do

Your in-progress work

Your finished work

How we normally think of our work and goals



Less valuable More valuable

How we should think of our work and goals

Anything still on your computer

(Data, code, results, draft, finished paper)

Anything out in the world

(Paper, preprint, product, blog post, open source, tweet)



Less valuable

More valuable

Make your work available

Most journals allow you to post preprints online

(pre-typeset and pre-edited versions)

Consider posting working papers too!

Where?

Academia.edu & ResearchGate

Make it as easy as possible to access your stuff!

Your own website

Institutional repository

SocArXiv

Dropbox

Google Drive

Control your internet presence!

Tell people you exist

List yourself on existing websites

Show people who you are

Make your own website and use social media

Show people what you do

Show your in-progress and finished work