

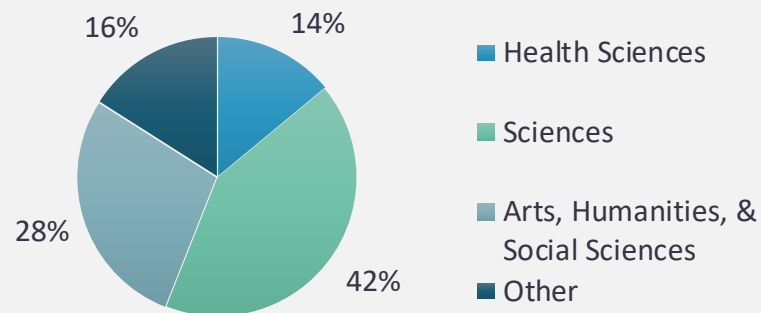
# The Expanding Role of Academic Librarians in Supporting Researcher Profile Management Tools

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## BACKGROUND

- Researcher profile management tools are used to keep track of research output and provide unique identifiers.
- Librarians at University of Manitoba developed library workshops to educate faculty, students, and staff about researcher profile tools.
- Unsure of usage and effectiveness of instruction, we developed study to evaluate workshops and measure percentage of faculty using profiles.

## Registrants by Discipline



## RESULTS

- 50 individuals registered for the workshops and 27 attended. We had 14 responses to the pre-post survey for a response rate of 12-16%.
- Registrants were primarily PhD students in Sciences, Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
- ResearchGate was the most popular tool prior to attending the workshop, ORCID was the most popular tool after attending the workshop.
- Registrants were also interested in using Publons after attending the workshop.

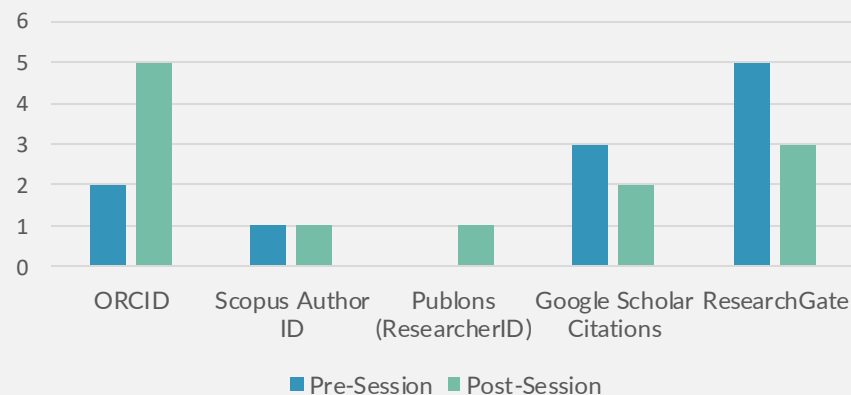
## METHODS

- Assesses continuing series of workshops on ORCID, Scopus Author ID, Publons and Google Scholar Citations held from July to October 2021.
- Research team sent pre-post surveys to registrants, asking demographic information, reasons for attendance, and the type of researcher profile tools they used before and after the workshop.
- Surveys sent to all registrants regardless of attendance.

## DISCUSSION

- These tools are traditionally marketed to sciences and health sciences disciplines.<sup>1,2</sup>
- There is a growing demand for support from arts, humanities and social sciences.
- Librarians are well-positioned to assist students understand these tools.

## Pre-Post Usage of Researcher Profile Management Tools by Participants



## NEXT STEPS

- We are completing an institutional analysis of researcher profiles by taking a sample of faculty and recording whether they have various researcher profiles
- Taken together, our research will inform the Libraries approach for outreach education

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