



### **Symplectic Elements Discovery researcher profiles**

As of February 2024 all C1 academic staff, C2 senior-level staff, and postdocs<sup>1</sup> have a researcher profile on our new Symplectic Elements Discovery portal.

*Curious about what is currently showing on your profile?*

Visit the portal at: <https://researcherprofiles.sun.ac.za>.

**Make use of the full range of possibilities to update your profile** with a photo, a biographical sketch, media (e.g. YouTube video links), and links to other external profiles (ResearchGate, LinkedIn, etc.) as well as further profile info as prompted. You can also indicate whether you are available for media consultation, postgraduate supervision, etc. The system is easy-to-use, and requires a simple point-and-click-and-save.

#### **Where to login:**

Access <https://researcherprofiles.sun.ac.za/>, search on your name, and click the 'Edit your profile' link at bottom-left of the screen.

OR

You may login at <https://researchoutputs.sun.ac.za/> and choose 'Edit my profile' on the right-hand side of the screen.

**In both instances you will need your SU network credentials to sign in.**

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that, as of 2024, all postdocs are being registered on the new SUNSTUDENT system. This requires a new way of working to get that data into Symplectic Elements, and as such, we are currently working on finding a solution to incorporating all 2024-registered postdocs into Elements.

Below is an example of a completed researcher profile:

(used with permission from the researcher)

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying a researcher profile for Marlo Moller. The browser's address bar shows the URL <https://researcherprofiles.sun.ac.za/4102-marlo-moller>. The page has a navigation menu with 'ABOUT', 'PUBLICATIONS', and 'RESEARCH'. The profile includes a circular portrait of Marlo Moller, her name 'Marlo Moller' with the title 'PROF' and gender '(she/her)', and a contact number '0000-0002-0805-6741'. Her role is listed as 'Professor Molecular Biology And Human Genetics'. There are icons for 'Media' and 'Collaboration Network'. The 'BIO' section contains a detailed paragraph about her research at Stellenbosch University. The 'MEDIA' section features three video thumbnails and an 'EXPLORE MEDIA' link. The 'ACADEMIC POSITIONS' section is partially visible at the bottom.

Guidance can be provided by Ms Jennifer De Beer <[jad@sun.ac.za](mailto:jad@sun.ac.za)> or <[symplectic@sun.ac.za](mailto:symplectic@sun.ac.za)>, should you have any questions.

Two guidance documents and an FAQ page have also been compiled for ease-of-reference:

- Discovery Getting Started Guide (PDF - [https://bit.ly/discovery\\_startguide](https://bit.ly/discovery_startguide))
- Elements Quick Start Guide (PDF - [https://bit.ly/elements\\_quickstart](https://bit.ly/elements_quickstart))

Or browse the FAQ webpage [[https://bit.ly/SU\\_symplectic\\_elements\\_FAQ](https://bit.ly/SU_symplectic_elements_FAQ)]



Symplectic Elements is also the electronic management system that Stellenbosch University will be using in future to submit the annual publication subsidy claims to the DHET. This is called the **Annual Collection Module**. More information about this facet of the system will be shared in due course.