## B. Setting Up Database Alerts for IR content

Setting up Alerts in a publications database or other specialized databases "up front" is a great first step for creating a complete library of records in the IR. This is the most efficient way to keep your IR records library current and complete. Because virtually all databases have the capability to export metadata in formats that the IR can import, you can easily receive alerts for publication which you can easily upload into your workflow space in the IR.

NOTE: We strongly suggest that you take the time to create alerts in All of the Four biggest publication databases offered by the Library (listed below). No One database provides records from all the journals, conferences, tech manual sites and other sources that present the published output of CSHL researchers. Each database covers similar but also different information sources.

The four most prominent publication databases offered by the library are:

1. Scopus
2. PubMed
3. Web of Science
4. Science Direct

We offer a variety of other databases. [See our full list here.](#)

You can also set up alerts in your favorite Journals. [See our full list here.](#)

To set up alerts in all four of the databases listed above go to our [Creating Publication and Subject Alerts LibGuide](#)

To set up alerts using RSS feeds go to our [Staying Current through RSS LibGuide](#)

### For Library Staff:

To populate the IR with a full list of CSHL Publications We maintain alerts in the four databases listed above using the LibGuide listed above. The Alerts are set up using the criteria listed below. NOTE: all alerts are set up to search all publications, all years, all languages etc.

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