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**Subject:** Re: [Itl\_supervisors] Researcher who is an active user of Reddit  
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I think if I am to make this request of staff we should be very clear that this would be voluntary in nature.

It might be better to share the video with staff and let them know that re-posting on personal social media is encouraged as the action rather than asking them to do a data call on the amount of followers they have.

Once we start blending work media accounts and personal media accounts this can be problematic. For example what if their Reddit postings (or any others for that matter) might be controversial from what NIST or .gov would approve? Is PAO going to clear the Reddit first and what would that mean? Is there an implied or even direct endorsement of that page by NIST? These are all difficult questions that come into play once we go down this path.

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**From:** <itl\_supervisors-bounces@nist.gov> on behalf of "Pages, Patrice (Fed)"  
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**Date:** Wednesday, December 20, 2017 at 9:49 AM  
**To:** itl\_supervisors <itl\_supervisors@nist.gov>  
**Subject:** [Itl\_supervisors] Researcher who is an active user of Reddit

Dear all,

I am working with the NIST Public Affairs Office (PAO) to find an ITL researcher who is a member of the Reddit community and has a sizeable number of followers (also called "Karma") on Reddit. Would any of your team members fit this description? PAO has produced a video of Stephen Jordan about quantum computation (<https://www.nist.gov/news-events/news/2017/11/what-computational-power-universe>) and would like to share it widely through their social media channels and Reddit. If you could let me know **by tomorrow noon**, that would be great. Thanks so much for your help.

Best,

Patrice

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