

# Description of real authors with biblatex

## New data field

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## 1 Introduction

The standard biblatex fields allow to describe the author of a work, with the so called authors field. However, some works are published without name, or with pseudonyme, but the scholars know the real author. This package adds a new field `realauthor`, to specify the knew real author.

## 2 Basic use

### 2.1 The .bib file

Basically, you just have to add the real author name in the field `realauthor`, like in the two following examples:

```
@book{LeClerc1686,  
  Publisher = {Henry Desbordes},  
  Realauthor = {Jean le Clerc},  
  Title = {Défense des sentimens  
    De quelques Théologiens de Hollande  
    sur l'histoire critique du Vieux Testament  
    contre la réponse du Prieur de Bolleville},  
  Year = {1686}}
```

```
@book{Simon1686,
```

```

Address = {Rotterdam},
Author = {{Prieur de Bolleville}},
Publisher = {Reinier Leers},
Realauthor = {Richard Simon},
Title = {Réponse au livre intitulé
sentimens de quelques Theologiens de Hollande
sur l'Histoire Critique du Vieux Testament},
Year = {1686}}

```

## 2.2 Loading of the biblatex package

When loading the biblatex package, use the realauthor bibstyle, which is based on the verbose bibstyle:

```
\usepackage[citestyle=verbose,bibstyle=realauthor]{biblatex}
```

Not that the package patches author and author/editorothers/translator+others+ macro. If you redefine them, don't forget the patches<sup>1</sup>.

## 2.3 Example of result

By default, the real author name is printed in brackets, with an equal, between fine non-break spaces, when a pseudonym is also use:

```

LeClerc1686
Simon1686

```

### 2.3.1 Sorting

The package provides a sorting scheme: anonymousrealauthor+, which push the anonymous texts at the begining, but considers the @realauthor field to sort list by authors' name.

## 3 Customization

You can redefine the \mkrealauthor command to change the way the real author name is printed. Default value is:

```
\newcommand{\mkrealauthor}[1]{\mkbibbrackets{#1}}
```

You can also redefine the \realauthorequalsign command to change the sign before the real author name when a pseudonym is also used. Default value is:

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<sup>1</sup>We suppose that, if you redefine them, you could understand the packages.

```
\newcommand{\realauthorequalsign}{\addnbthinspace=\addnbthinspace}
```

For more customization, you have to redefine the macros defined in `realauthor.bbx`.

## 4 Use with `biblatex-manuscripts-philology`

To use this package with the features of `biblatex-manuscripts-philology`, you must use the package `biblatex-multiple-dm`.

## 5 Credits

This package was created for Maïeul Rouquette's phd dissertation<sup>2</sup> in 2014. It is licensed on the *LaTeX Project Public License*<sup>3</sup>.

All issues can be submitted, in French or English, in the GitHub issues page<sup>4</sup>.

## 6 Use with `biblatex-manuscripts-philology`

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## 7 Change history

### 1.1.0 2014-10-09

In a bibliographical list, print the last name before the first name of a real author, except if a author is defined.

Add `anonymousrealauthor+` sorting scheme.

Compatibility with `@article` entry.

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First public release.

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<sup>2</sup><http://apocryphes.hypothese.org>.

<sup>3</sup><http://latex-project.org/lppl/lppl-1-3c.html>.

<sup>4</sup><https://github.com/maieul/biblatex-realauthor/issues>.