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Résumé for Researchers is developed by the Royal Society, an independent scientific academy of the UK intended to help researchers to share their varied contributions to research in a consistent way and across a wide range of circumstances.

The four-module narrative section has a suggested total word limit of 1000 over two pages, with the individual deciding how to distribute that across the modules. It has guidance on what could be included in each module, but the individual decides what information to include.

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RESUME FOR RESEARCHERS

The Resume for Researchers Structure

Personal details
Provide your personal details, your education, key qualifications and relevant positions you have held.

Module 1 – How have you contributed to the generation of knowledge?

This module allows you to showcase your contributions to idea generation and hypothesis development, emphasizing key skills. It highlights effective communication of ideas, research results, funding, and awards. The inclusion of relevant outputs, such as data sets, software, publications, and products, is encouraged, with a focus on their significance in knowledge generation, and DOIs are specifically mentioned for reference.

Module 2 – How have you contributed to the development of individuals
This module serves to showcase your critical contributions to team success, encompassing project management, collaboration, and support for team members. It allows for the documentation of teaching activities, workshops, and mentoring across various educational levels, as well as support provided to both junior and senior colleagues. Additionally, it provides a platform to highlight your role in establishing collaborations, from institutional to international levels, and describes instances of strategic leadership in shaping the direction of a team, organization, company, or institution.

Module 3 – How have you contributed to the development of individuals
This module provides a platform to document your contributions to the research community, encompassing activities like editing, reviewing, committee work, and evaluating researchers and projects. It allows for the inclusion of organized events that benefit the research community and highlights efforts to enhance research integrity and culture. In addition, it serves to showcase appointments to positions of responsibility and recognition within your department, institution, or organization.

Module 4 – How have you contributed to broader society?

This module allows for the inclusion of examples showcasing societal engagement and knowledge exchange, involving interactions with industry, the private sector, the public sector, clients, and the general public. It provides a platform to highlight positive stakeholder feedback, the inclusion of patients in processes and clinical trials, and broader impacts across research, policy, practice, and business. Besides, it can document efforts to collaborate with specific societal or patient groups and to advise policymakers at local, national, or international levels, as well as communicate information through the press and on social media.

Personal statement
Provide a personal statement that reflects on your overarching goals and motivation for the activities in which you have been involved.

Additions
Mention career breaks, secondments, volunteering, part-time work and other relevant experience (including in time spent in different sectors) that might have affected your progression as a researcher.