Reviewer’s report

Title: Reporting health research translation and impact in the curriculum vitae: a survey

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A very interesting study addressing a relevant and perplexing topic of how to demonstrate/report research impact. It is an interesting study to add to the literature and hopefully inform solutions to this problem. Given that this study was conducted with international participants, and being sent to an international journal, I am hoping the authors can elaborate more on reporting practices and requirements of different countries and different disciplines. Since the majority of the participants were from Canada &amp; Australia and clinical health disciplines, it's a little hard to generalize these findings to an international audience. The U.S. NIH has a very specific CV template (Biosketch) that researchers must use when applying for funding that in recent years has made an effort to demonstrate Contributions to the Field/Science. I would assume there are similar requirements in other country's funding structures. The authors could add more how changing systematic structures could impact reporting requirements. It's briefly mentioned but given how strongly the ability to obtain funding drives research, it's a glaring omission.

I am confused by what you mean when you state the CV is "inconsistently used." Is it that it's not used correctly? That different organizations require different reporting formats? How is it that your findings would be useful if different organizations are have different reporting requirements? Are you advocating for a universal CV template across countries/institutions/funders? Your sample size may be too small for this, would it would be interesting to see how responses differ across countries. Is this a global research problem or is it specific to certain countries and their reporting requirements. What you have presented is an interesting theoretical start. But I feel if you want to generalize these findings to a global audience, then more information is needed about differences across countries and their reporting requirements and differences in your respondent's answers.

An editorial note: Given that some of your websites listed are lengthy, it would be best to put them as footnotes or as a citation.

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