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Science Communication Jobs

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Where **London** science communicators might work

00. Networking

10. Medical research charities (AMRC members)

20. Other medical research / health charities

25. Graduate schemes

26. Internships

30. Royal Academies, Royal Colleges and Societies

35. British Society of Science Journalists

40. Other health or medical organisations

43. Environmental charities and organisations

45. Science and Discovery centres

46. Science festivals

50. Other scientific organisations

60. College of..., Institute of..., Society of...

70. Government - Science Policy jobs (to be continued...)

80. London Museums of Health & Medicine

90. London places

100. General

110. Research Councils

120. Universities

125. School science

130. Science writing, science publishing and science journalism, newspapers and magazines advertising jobs

130b. Science publishing (journals print and online)

140. Broadcasting: science on television and radio

150. Medical writing / pharmaceutical companies

160. Yet to be parsed among the headings already available...

170. List of lists

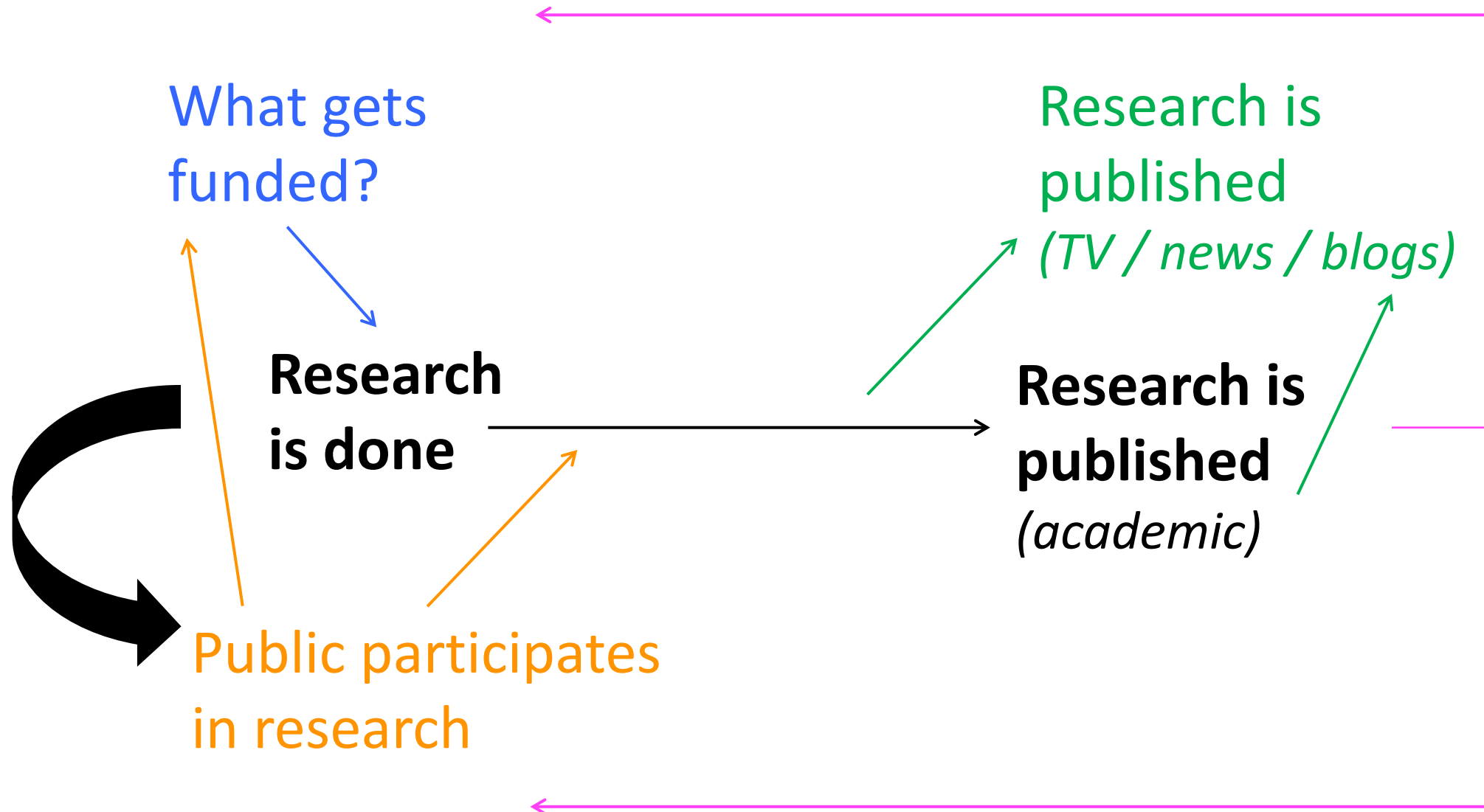
180. Outside London, other countries

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1a. What do I mean by #scicomm and PE?



1b. And who does it?

Scientist communicator

or

Science communicator

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2a. Building a portfolio (skills / networking)

- Transferable skills you might already have
- Gaining new skills
- Networking

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2b. Optional homework

- Create a [thing] (Twitter, blog, podcast, YouTube channel or Instagram)
- Fill it with [stuff] (words, audio/videos, images, links & references)
- Add something regularly
- Show it to family and friends (ask for feedback)
- Share it publicly, or not.
- Be 'real name' or anonymous.
- Let people comment, or not.
- Comment on others' blogs etc (networking, community, sharing, feedback)
- 'Informal' learning (building a portfolio of CV-friendly skills)

3. Finding opportunities / jobs

- Mailing lists, searching / alerts, LinkedIn etc
- Horizon-scanning (next, and next-but-one jobs)
- Unpaid internships (Volunteering)

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4. Qualifications: what do they offer?

- Room for everyone...
- ...but there's competition
- Shorthand for competence? (Knowledge / skills / experience)
- Another networking opportunity

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5. Applying for jobs

- Who sees it? (application form / CV etc)
- Desirable vs essential
- Be specific
- Target your application

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6. Notes to employers

- /jobs (page redirect)
- Job share?
- Salary ('State expected salary' – not helpful to applicants)
- Lack of entry-level jobs

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