

Author Guidelines for Open Access Journals at Reseapro

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- Author list with full affiliation and ORCID ID (if available)

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