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Advice for Young Researchers

Today, I checked my citations on Google Scholar and noticed a dip in the number of citations. I am still proud of my h-index of 45 and i10-index of 129. The bell curve applies, as my citations peaked and then unfortunately began to decline. This has inspired me to share some advice with young researchers.

Embrace the journey of discovery by prioritizing high-quality publications over sheer quantity. Remember, impactful research often leads to citations that reflect your contributions.

As you advance in your career, keep in mind the bell curve of citations. Early in your research journey, you may see a rise in your citations as your work gains recognition. However, this can peak and then dip if you take on leadership roles too soon, diverting your focus from research.

Concentrate on refining your research skills before transitioning into managerial responsibilities. While these roles are valuable, they can sometimes distract from your core activities.

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Stay passionate and curious, and let your work speak for itself!

Best of luck on your research journey!

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