

Best Practice

Acknowledging Research Cores and Improving Rigor, Reproducibility & Transparency

Rationale

Acknowledgements are a key metric used to assess the impact of research cores by funding agencies, their institutions and their users. RRIDs have been assigned to cores to standardize the process for citing the work they contribute in publications and presentations and to improve reproducibility and transparency in science.

Acronyms, Abbreviations, Definitions

- [Research Resource Identifier](#) (RRID) - A unique persistent identifier assigned to help researchers cite key resources to improve transparency of research methods.

Guidance

- Display your RRID on your website
 - They will also be displayed on the research cores directory
- Include acknowledgement expectations/reminders in discussions from project initiation through publication
 - Agree to appropriate form of acknowledgement, citing, co-authorship, etc
- Incorporate reminders in as many places as possible
 - In all staff email signatures
 - Posted in your facility at sample drop off locations and near equipment
 - During user training and delivery of results
 - Newsletters
 - When giving presentations
- Follow up with researchers that have not appropriately acknowledged your core
- Check your [RRID Portal](#) page to track acknowledgments

Resources

- Contact: researchcoresoffice@umich.edu
- Please contact RCO to be assigned an RRID
- Please contact RCO if you would like a digital copy of the Call Out Your Cores flyer with your RRID