

## Statement of Publication and Acknowledgement Policies

### KU COBRE Center in Protein Structure and Function

**Funding Acknowledgement.** All publications describing research work that made use of COBRE Core Lab resources should include an acknowledgement of the KU COBRE Center in Protein Structure and Function and specifically, NIH grant RR-017708. Funding agencies including NCRR require and monitor these acknowledgements.

In addition, a complete list of all publications that describe work conducted with instruments funded by federal agencies needs to be maintained to document our need for that equipment and to help assure future grants. To this end, research advisors are asked to send copies of all publications that make use of work performed in COBRE facilities to the respective COBRE Core Lab Directors.

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2. Interpretation or analysis of results; or
3. Writing or editing significant portions of the manuscript.

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