

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 its NIH funding.

- For projects during Phase II (April 2008 - March 2014) cite as follows: "This project supported by grants from the National Center for Research Resources (5P20RR017708) and the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (8P20GM103420) from the National Institutes of Health."
- For project during Phase III (April 2014 - March 2019) cite as follows: "This project supported by a grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (P30GM110761) from the National Institutes of Health."

NOTE: Funding agencies including NIGMS require and monitor these acknowledgements.

In addition, publications that make use of instruments funded by federal agencies must cite the source of support throughout the lifetime of the instrument. The NIH now requires reporting of these publications on new applications for shared instruments, and failure to show extensive productivity from prior grants quite literally jeopardizes future grants. To this end, research advisors are asked to send copies of all publications that were supported by COBRE core lab facilities to the respective COBRE Core Lab Directors.

Researcher Co-authorship. COBRE Core Lab Directors and staff members often make significant intellectual or otherwise *enabling* contributions to the success of a research project, and recognition of these contributions is important. In such cases it is expected that such individual(s) will be included as co-author(s) of all publications arising from or making use of the results obtained by a COBRE Core laboratory.

Significant intellectual input could take a variety of forms and would include any or all of the following:

1. Experimental design such as optimization or adaptation of data collection schemes;
2. Interpretation or analysis of results; or
3. Writing or editing significant portions of the manuscript.

In general, it is preferable to discuss the potential for this at the outset of the project, especially when the project involves developmental work rather than repetition of an established procedure. Research advisors should contact the respective COBRE Core Lab Director if there is a question about this policy, or about a Core Lab staff member's contribution to a project.

Service Acknowledgement. Manuscripts that contain routine data from a COBRE Core Lab or describe tasks requiring minimal Core Lab staff assistance may include an acknowledgement of the facility or staff member(s) at the lead author's discretion. In the aggregate, such acknowledgements serve to document the value of Core Laboratories to the University community.

Service Lab Fees. Please note that service fees are charged to maintain and improve each of the Core Lab facilities. These service fees are not a substitute for appropriate recognition of the contributions of Core Lab personnel through co-authorship of publications.