

P³G Publication Policy

The purpose of this document is to describe the publication and acknowledgement rules relevant to work generated in connection with P³G. These guidelines are designed to encourage scientific publication of all types, while maintaining the highest quality of such publications and safeguarding the legitimate interests of P³G, its members and partners.

General Rules:

As a general rule, P³G subscribes to the standard rules on Authorship and Contributorship established in the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors: 'Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Medical Journals' (2007)¹. These general rules apply to all P³G publications or tools (see definitions below).

Authors should also be aware that P³G needs to be properly acknowledged, where relevant, on publications and other materials as described below. Furthermore, the use of P³G's logo requires *prior approval from P³G*².

Specific Rules:

Publication rules as specified below pertain to each of the following three types of publications:

- (1) P³G Consensus paper
- (2) P³G Publication or presentation
- (3) P³G Contribution to a publication and/or a presentation

(1) P³G Consensus Paper

A publication is considered to be a P³G consensus paper if it meets all of the following:

- It is prepared by a P³G employee (or consultant) or a P³G member
- It is based on P³G work such as a P³G meeting discussion, Observatory material, etc.
- It is meant to capture the consensus emanating from an official entity of the P³G Consortium (IWG, Steering Committee, etc)

Members from the official entity involved in the production of the paper (IWG or Steering Committee) should be given the opportunity to provide further input into the final version of the document. The final version should receive prior approval by P³G Board. The P³G Consortium must be listed as first author and co-authorship is determined in accordance with the Vancouver rules. The *Standard Description* of P³G (see below) should be footnoted. P³G list of keywords (as suggested below) should be used to tag the publication.

(2) P³G Publications or Presentations

¹ Also known as the 'Vancouver rules' (found on:<http://www.icmje.org/icmje.pdf>)

² 'P³G approval' means approval by Chair of the Board, its Scientific Director or either the Executive Director or the Research and Science Director.

A publication or presentation is considered to be a P³G publication or presentation if it meets any of the following:

- it is prepared by a P³G employee (or consultant) for purposes such as representing or describing the Consortium, presenting analysis/results derived from the Consortium activities or Observatory.
- it is prepared by a P³G member or employee and was directly derived from work initiated, coordinated and/or conducted by, or with, any of the P³G IWGs, the Observatory or the Secretariat.
- it is prepared by a P³G member or employee using methods or material (such as open software or tools) developed by, with or under P³G (usually available on the Observatory), and the author wishes for the paper to be identified as a P³G publication or presentation
- P³G has financially supported the preparation of the paper.

The final version should receive *prior approval by P³G*. The rules of authorship should be in accordance with the Vancouver rules. If appropriate, P³G Consortium could be listed as an author. Otherwise, P³G should be acknowledged as described in the *P³G Standard Acknowledgement below*. All P³G presentations should also bear P³G's logo and list the appropriate P³G keywords (as suggested below).

(3) **P³G contribution to presentations or publications**

If a work does not meet criteria as from the two categories described above, then P³G should be acknowledged for its contribution if any of the following conditions apply:

- it has used methods or material (such as open software or tools) developed by, with or under P³G (publicly available on the Observatory),
- P³G has been instrumental in its development.

P³G's contribution should be acknowledged by using the appropriate 'Authors *Acknowledgement*' provided below. When possible, P³G list of keywords (as suggested below) should be used. All references to the P³G website or the P³G Observatory should employ the citations listed below.

Keeping the Secretariat informed

The P³G Scientific Editor and the P³G Secretariat wish to be kept informed of all publications and presentations that have used P³G's name or tools. Please send this information to the secretariat as soon as the work is published or has been presented (either by sending the reference of a copy of the publication itself). Maintaining an up-to-date list of P³G-related works is crucial to demonstrate the usefulness of the Consortium to funding agencies.

Intent to prepare a manuscript

P³G meetings are a forum for exchange of expertise and ideas. Meeting discussions may play a key role in generating innovative concepts for future publications, or contributing significantly to the ongoing work of a participant. Under such cases proper recognition of authorship/and or acknowledgement should followed.

IWG leaders are encouraged to identify an active role in identifying potential paper topics that emerge during discussions and to facilitate the group in setting up the manuscript leads and co-leads. Ideally, when an idea for publication is raised at a meeting, authorship should be discussed at the given meeting prior to initiating the work. The P³G Scientific Editor and the Secretariat will offer support to coordinate the process.

Referencing tools:

P³G Standard Description

The Population Project in Genomics (P³G) is a not-for-profit international organization, hosted by the University of Montreal and funded by Genome Quebec and Genome Canada, aimed at promoting optimization and harmonization of population based genomic biobanks around the world.

P³G Standard Acknowledgement

(a) Using P³G tools, resources, etc...:

The author(s) wish (es) to acknowledge the Public Population Project in Genomics (P³G), hosted by the University of Montreal and supported by Genome Canada and Genome Quebec. The *select:* [tool, work, presentation, paper, etc] presented herein was made possible using *select:* [methods/tools/open software] *select:* [from the P³G Observatory website/developed by P³G].

(b) Using input from IWGs:

The author(s) wish (es) to acknowledge the Public Population Project in Genomics (P³G), hosted by the University of Montreal and supported by Genome Canada and Genome Quebec. The *select:* [tool, work, presentation, paper, etc] presented herein was made possible thanks to input and discussion by P³G International Working Group [name] discussion [held –location date].

Authors Acknowledgement

(a) Using P³G tools, resources, etc...:

The author(s) acknowledges the contribution of the Public Population Project in Genomics (P³G) to this work in the form of *select:* [methods/papers/presentations/conference funds/training/tools] generated through P³G activities.

(b) Using input from IWGs:

The author(s) acknowledges the contribution of the Public Population Project in Genomics (P³G). The *select:* [tool, work, paper, etc] presented herein was *select:* [inspired, made possible, initiated] thanks to the input and discussion by P³G International Working Group [name] held on [location date].

Referencing the P³G website: Public Population Project in Genomics, Website: <http://www.p3g.org/> 2005.

Referencing the P³G Observatory: P3G_Observatory. Website: <http://www.p3gobservatory.org/>; 2005.

Tag Key words: 'P³G Observatory', 'P³G'
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