

This policy has two (2) parts

1. Projects initiating outside of INTERACT Work Groups (investigator initiated)
2. Projects initiating from an INTERACT Work Group

### **PROJECTS INITIATING OUTSIDE OF INTERACT WORK GROUPS**

- The INTERACT Executive Committee Co-Chairs will route all project requests to all members of the Executive Committee to review [will include a link to the project request form].

**Project review:** All projects will be routed to the INTERACT Executive Committee for review. The Committee may approve with comments, return for revisions, or reject the proposal.

**Project team:** Once the project request is approved, the INTERACT Executive Committee will make the following recommendations regarding the project team:

- The INTERACT Executive Committee will determine if the project requires additional experts to be added to the team. This might include (a) individual(s) who played a key role in generating the data to be actively involved in the analysis of the data and preparing the study abstracts and manuscripts and/or (b) "specialty" experts (for example, pathologists, cytogeneticists, radiologists, etc.).
- Based on the extensive work of the cooperative group statisticians, the INTERACT Executive Committee and cooperative group chairs will be invited to nominate a statistician to participate in the work and be included on the manuscript (for cooperative groups that contributed patients to be included in the proposed project).

### **Authorship of Abstracts and Manuscripts**

- Nominated individuals MUST be actively and intellectually involved in the project to be a co-author.
- It is anticipated that collaboration with international experts will greatly enhance the research conducted with these data.
- Authorship will be determined by the primary investigators for this project request, in alignment with the above rules.
- Co-authorship will only be warranted for collaborators who meet the ICMJE recommendations for authorship (<http://www.icmje.org/recommendations/browse/roles-and-responsibilities/defining-the-role-of-authors-and-contributors.html>).
- The Co-Chairs of INTERACT are not automatically co-authors; they will be co-authors only if they have been actively and intellectually involved in the project.
- To support the training goals of INTERACT, (full) professors are asked to consider co-senior authorship or not being senior author.

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**Review:** The INTERACT Executive Committee will review all abstracts and manuscripts prior to submission for publication to ensure proper acknowledgments are included.

## **PROJECTS INITIATING FROM AN INTERACT WORK GROUP**

**Project and project team:** The INTERACT Executive Committee will make the following recommendations regarding the project and the project team:

1. All INTERACT Work Groups will submit project and manuscript ideas to the INTERACT Executive Committee, including the topic, lead author, and identified co-authors.
  - a. The Executive Committee will ensure appropriate and balanced representation from all cooperative groups.
  - b. For projects and manuscripts that cross disciplines, the initiating Work Group lead will contact the Work Group lead(s) of the additional discipline(s) for a collaborator recommendation. Consideration will be given to expertise and cooperative groups. The INTERACT Executive Committee Co-Chairs may be consulted for recommendations.
2. The INTERACT Executive Committee will review and approve the ideas and the author lists.
3. The INTERACT Executive Committee will maintain a list of planned projects and manuscripts identified by all INTERACT Work Groups.

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