

Criteria for authorship

The only people who never get upset about authorship are the people who don't publish any papers! Let's discuss openly any concerns that come up. The more papers you publish, the fewer worries you will have about being first author and so on.

To be an author from this lab requires having made a > 5% contribution by furnishing:

- Experiments
- Analysis of data
- Key unpublished knowledge or materials
- Bright ideas
- Funding/ planning

In this lab we are generous with authorship. However, there should be no preemptive strikes, e.g. staking a claim with an obvious idea, with or without quick and dirty experiments.

A list of authors of all papers in progress will be available on a biweekly basis, so that any issues of authorship can be dealt with at an early stage. Again, just as there should be no preemptive strikes, there should be no inappropriate retroactive demands, although substantial late contributions can always be acknowledged, even with authorship if appropriate (see above).

Corresponding author: You can be the corresponding author if you take complete charge of writing the paper. This means producing a manuscript with figures, revising it according to the readers' suggestions (which must include all co-authors and me, at least) and producing a final manuscript with figures suitable for submission in terms of scientific content, English and presentation. The corresponding author must also deal directly with the revisions of the paper, i.e. produce a written response to the referees and a revised manuscript suitable for publication.

No manuscript may be sent to outside readers or submitted from the lab without my knowledge. All prospective papers will appear on the aforementioned list as soon as an outline is made. No manuscript will be submitted that does not meet our standards.