Main steps involved in submitting a study to GEO are preparing the files for depositing, filling out metadata spreadsheet.

Metadata spreadsheet: Includes all the information related to GEO submission (Experiment details, raw files, processed files etc)

Template can be found in example folder

NOTES:

- 1. GEO requires both raw files and a form of processed files (wiggle files or aligned files or peak files etc). **All the files must be compressed**
- 2. You can fill the file checksum column the spreadsheet by using *md5 <filename>* command in terminal.
- 3. The folder uploaded to GEO should have the following structure: **KrausLab** xxxxxGEOsubmission folder:

metadata spreadsheet, rawFiles folder, processedFiles folder

4. Compress the folder using:

tar -zcvf KrausLab_xxxxxGEOsubmission.tar.gz KrausLab_xxxxxGEOsubmission/

5. If you need to submit two different experiments like ChIP-seq and GRO-seq etc under the same study, have them under separate folders with separate metadata sheets and you can request to have them as separate sub series linked under a super series. In this example, you will need 3 metadata sheets (2 for sub-series, 1 for super-series)

6. After preparing the metadata, files Follow instructions in **2.FTP_instructionsToDepositDataTo_GEO.pdf** for transferring the files to GEO.

Useful links:

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/info/seq.html

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/submission/depslip.cgi

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/info/spreadsheet.html#GEOarchive