**Sage Bionetworks’ use of Cookies and Similar Technologies.**

We use cookies or similar technologies (collectively “Cookies”) to enhance your experience on our website and services.

1.   Cookies: Small text files containing a string of alphanumeric characters stored on your device that help us recognize you and remember your preferences.

2.  Web beacons are tiny graphics (also known as "pixel tags" or "clear GIFs") that record usage information. We use this information to understand how you interact with our website and emails.

3.  Local storage: Technologies like HTML5 store data locally on your device to improve performance and functionality.

4.  Device fingerprinting: Collection of information about your device's characteristics to identify it across multiple visits.

You can manage your cookie preferences through your browser settings. However, disabling cookies may limit some features of our website.

For more information on how we use and protect your data, please refer to our [Privacy Policy](https://s3.amazonaws.com/static.synapse.org/governance/SynapsePrivacyPolicy.pdf).

We use the following Cookies:

**Strictly Necessary Cookies**: Some Cookies are strictly necessary to make our Services available to you and you cannot use them without this type of Cookie. We use this information to provide you with our Services, prevent misuse, and ensure our Services are working properly.

| Cookie Name | Provider | Purpose | Expiry |
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| org.sagebionetworks.security.user.login.token | Sage | This Secure HttpOnly cookie tracks user login state | 10 days, but the access token is invalid after 24 hours. |
| org.sagebionetworks.security.cookies.portal.preference | Sage | Remember your cookie preferences | 1 year |

**Functional Cookies**: These are used to recognize you when you return to our Services. This enables us to personalize our content for you, to provide you with a customized experience on our Services, and to remember your preferences and various settings (for example, your choice of language or region).

| Cookie Name | Provider | Purpose | Expiry |
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| org.sagebionetworks.synapse.datetime.utc | Sage | Remember if you prefer dates/times to be shown in UTC or in your local time zone. | 1 year |
| SynapseTestWebsite | Sage | Remember if you are in "Experimental Mode" on the website, where we show cutting-edge beta features | Session |

**Analytics or Performance**: We also use Cookies for analytics purposes to better understand how you use our Services, to measure the effectiveness of our customer communications, to diagnose and fix technology problems, and otherwise enhance our Services. We may use our own analytics Cookies or third-party analytics providers to collect and process certain data analytics on our behalf.

| Cookie Name | Provider | Purpose | Expiry |
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| \_ga | Google | Used to distinguish users in the Google Analytics platform, so we can analyze aggregate statistics of application usage to improve services. | 2 years |
| \_ga\_<ContainerID> such as \_ga\_Y07DD946E4 or \_ga\_CEKFPZDZX7 | Google | Used to persist session state in the Google Analytics platform, so we can analyze aggregate statistics of application usage to improve services. | 2 years |
| \_gid | Google | Used to store and count pageviews in the Google Analytics platform, so we can analyze aggregate statistics of application usage to improve services. |  |

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