

# Attribution Policy

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## 1 Purpose

This document sets out how ODAP and data contributors should be acknowledged in public and private communications, government advice, academic publications, reports of algorithms, code, software, or methodologies, and any other outputs generated during the course of research facilitated by ODAP.

## 2 Review

This document is authored and maintained by the ODAP data access team based within the University of Edinburgh as the lead institution. We will keep this policy, and the attribution specifics, under review and update this policy as required. The ODAP data access team is keen to support attribution and communication around outputs and the other assets discussed in this document. Please contact us at [odap@ed.ac.uk](mailto:odap@ed.ac.uk) if you need any support or clarification.

## 3 Attribution

**3.0.0.1 Derived data** Researchers will be required to return research results and supporting raw data and materials (including negative results and code) to the data repository before an output will be approved as described in section: [Code and related digital artefacts](#).

This will allow ODAP to make research results and supporting data and materials available to other researchers in such a manner that the analyses can be peer reviewed through a process of replication.

Guidance will be available to ensure data will be returned in a suitable machine-readable format compatible with ODAP's systems into a common store of data.

### 3.0.1 Group: Data Contributors

**3.0.1.1 Attribution** Acknowledge the University of Edinburgh as one of the institutions to which you are affiliated:

‘Supporting the Outbreak Data Analysis Platform (ODAP), which is administered and led by the University of Edinburgh in partnership with the ODAP Partnership and part of the Data and Connectivity National Core Study, and funded by UK Research and Innovation’

**3.0.1.2 Patient & public data attribution** Include in acknowledgements or funding section use MY data's data citation:

‘This work uses data provided by patients and collected by the NHS as part of their care and support’

### 3.0.2 Group: Data Requestors

**3.0.2.1 Attribution** Acknowledge ODAP as one of the institutions to which you are affiliated and where possible list “Outbreak Data Analysis Platform” and “ODAP” as keywords for your publication. If possible list “The Outbreak Data Analysis Platform” as one of your methods for your publication.

ODAP must be acknowledged formally in publications if ODAP resources have been used:

‘This work was supported by Outbreak Data Analysis Platform (ODAP), which is administered and led by the University of Edinburgh in partnership with the ODAP Partnership and part of the Data and Connectivity National Core Study, and funded by UK Research and Innovation.’

In addition to acknowledging ODAP, all publications that depend on data stored within the Platform must follow the relevant attribution and/or publication policy for each dataset used as described in section: [Acknowledging specific datasets](#).

**3.0.2.2 Patient & public data attribution** Include in acknowledgements or funding section use MY data's data citation:

*‘This work uses data provided by patients and collected by the NHS as part of their care and support’*

## 3.1 Acknowledging specific datasets

### 3.1.1 Group: Data Requestors

**3.1.1.1 Attribution** In addition to acknowledging ODAP in your publication you may be required to acknowledge the individual datasets you have used within the platform. We require that all research completed within the platform follow the individual acknowledgement, authorship, and attribution policies for the datasets used within the platform.

To aide Data Requestors in properly acknowledging the contribution of datasets within the platform a list of complied Attribution and Publication policies is made available on the ODAP website.

**3.1.1.2 Patient & Public data attribution** Highlight if your dataset has used public data and whether an attribution back to the public source is required.

## 3.2 Code and related digital artefacts

This is any code (e.g., algorithms, analytical script, and source code) and related digital artefacts (e.g., documents) created over the course of a research project.

### 3.2.1 Group: Data Requestors

**3.2.1.1 Requirement** As part of the output approvals process the Data Requestor requiring the output will provide digital artefacts used to create or support the creation of the required output to the ODAP platform and these artefacts should be listed in the output request form.

If the output is approved these digital artefacts will be moved to the collab space in the non-embargoed of the platform area and catalogued for future reuse by other Data Requestors to support and enrich the platform.

The default license for code in the Platform collab space is the MIT license. Otherwise, similarly liberal and open source licenses (such as Apache 2.0, BSD, Eclipse Public License, etc.) should be used, permitting anyone to benefit from, improve upon and redistribute the code.

## 3.3 Social Media

### 3.3.1 Groups: Data Contributors, Data Requestors

**3.3.1.1 Attribution** ODAP does not currently have an official presence on any social media platforms as thus can't be tagged within a post, however acknowledge the platform by linking to <https://odap.ac.uk/> within the post.

For further guidance contact [odap@ed.ac.uk](mailto:odap@ed.ac.uk)

**3.3.1.2 Patient & Public data attribution** Consider including an appropriate hashtag to acknowledge use of patient/public data where appropriate, e.g., #datasaveslives

## 3.4 Promotion

This is any situation not covered by the above where work completed with the assistance of the ODAP Platform is being discussed and can include presentations of results, press releases, other events or media activity, etc.

### 3.4.1 Groups: Data Contributors, Data Requestors, and Data Processors

Similar to our stance on social media we simply request acknowledgment when work completed within ODAP is being discussed. Please use our short attribution statement:

*“This work was supported by Outbreak Data Analysis Platform (ODAP), [odap.ac.uk](https://odap.ac.uk).”*

For guidance of what results may be presented outside of the trusted research environment please see the Output Review Process Policy document.

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