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Dear NumFOCUS.

As coordinator of the University of São Paulo Bioinformatics Graduate Program, I would like to offer my full support for the project being proposed by Software Carpentry and Data Carpentry.

We know of the Software Carpentry Project since 2014, when an SC workshop was offered at USP's Institute of Mathematics and Statistics. We believe that Software Carpentry is a great way to help students learn techniques that are useful for research that needs sophisticated computer skills.

If this project is funded we will have at least one person trained as a Software Carpentry instructor, who could then offer a workshop at the next Summer Bioinformatics Course in 2018, as well as during the year for other Bioinformatics Program students. Thus, having this person trained in Software Carpentry will be of great value to our program and to our students.

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