

Dear Grantees,

As you know, NIH requires you to acknowledge federal funding in your peer-reviewed publications and presentations. What you might not be aware of is that this section **also** requires all grantee institutions to acknowledge federal funding whenever they put out a news release, news story, or other story for public dissemination that features NIH-supported research, and to notify the relevant NIH communication office of the release or story before publication.

NIH is starting an initiative to encourage better awareness of and compliance with this requirement, so you might be hearing from the communication office at your institution. We are asking you to work with your communication staff to make sure they have the right information about your research.

In addition, as of April 2012, notices of award include the requirement to mention NIH specifically, **and** to include the grant number (or the intramural equivalent, or the contract number if it is research conducted under contract), in a fashion similar to this:

*“Research reported in this publication was supported by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences of the National Institutes of Health under award number R01GM085232.”*

We are asking your institution’s communication offices to include the grant number(s) in their releases as well. This will help us associate news releases and stories with grants in our [REPORT database](#) and let us tell the story of your research better.

To summarize, we are asking you, the researcher, to:

- acknowledge NIH and NCI in publications that result from your NCI grant(s)
- include the grant number(s) in publications
- work with your communication office when putting out a release on your research, so they know who funded it and what grant numbers are associated with it

Please let your NCI program officer know if you have any questions. You can also contact Allison Eckhardt with the NCI Office of Public Affairs and Research Communication about this initiative at [Allison.eckhardt@nih.gov](mailto:Allison.eckhardt@nih.gov) or 301-594-5125.