







**Sample Processing** 

Quality Control Sample Storage Genomic Analysis





### **Genomics**

**Genetics Core** 



### **Technicians**

Technicians Steering Committee Technology Specialists Network



### **Core Facilities**

CMVM Core Facilities
Network
Una Europa – Una.Resin



### Research Culture

**Research Cultures Forum** 

## Core Facilities

### College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine SHARED RESEARCH FACILITIES



### Clinical and pre-clinical imaging

We offer world-class clinical imaging systems to meet research and diagnostic needs.



#### Light imaging

State-of-the-art facilities for optical image acquisition from biological samples and data analysis.



#### Mass spectrometry

Detect, identify and quantitate molecules in biological and clinical samples.



#### Genetics

Techniques to study heredity and the variation of inherited characteristics.



#### Flow cytometry

We have three facilities of state-of-the-art flow cytometry equipment, and offer training and expertise.



#### Drug discovery

World-class platforms with a track record in successfully translating projects from target identification through to clinical evaluation.



#### Clinical research

We have processes, teams and technologies in place to support clinical research from approvals to sample analysis.



#### Preclinical research

Animal and cellular models, biomarker discovery and analysis.



#### Omics

State of the art facilities to enable transcriptomics, metabolomics, steroidomics and other analyses of signalling pathways and secreted factors.

Provide open and equitable access to sophisticated equipment, technologies and workflows.

A home of expertise – staffed by dedicated and skilled technicians.

Provide training and consultation to help researchers in their project planning and implementation.

## Technician Commitment

The Technician Commitment is a sector-wide initiative to address key challenges facing technical staff working in research, teaching and innovation.

**VISIBILITY** 

Ensure all technicians within the organisation are identifiable and that the contribution of technicians is visible within and beyond the institution

RECOGNITION

Support technicians to gain recognition through professional registration and external awards schemes

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Enable career progression opportunities for technicians through the provision of clear, documented career pathways

SUSTAINABILITY OF TECHNICAL SKILLS

Ensure the future sustainability of technical skills across the organisation and that technical expertise is fully used







## Open Research – my short journey







Edinburgh Open Research







https://edin.ac/3wbHHkz

## The Buffet Approach to Open Science

Posted on April 16, 2023 by Christina



https://cogtales.wordpress.com/2023/04/16/the-buffet-approach-to-open-science/

## Research Life Cycle

### **Pillars of Open Research**

- Culture Change
- Future of Scholarly Publishing
- FAIR Data
- European Open Science Cloud
- Education & Skills
- Recognition & Rewards
- Next-generation Metrics
- Research Integrity
- Citizen Science & Participatory Research



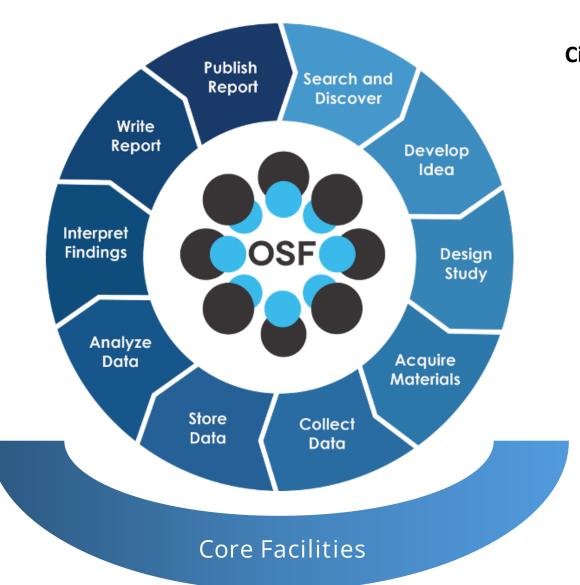
## Research Life Cycle

European Open Science Cloud

> Open Access Publications

Rights Retention Policy

**FAIR Data** 



**Citizen Science** 

Pre-registration

Data Management Plan

## New methods

Dec 08, 2023

 DNA extraction from rectal mucosa biopsies and matched faecal samples taken from surgery for microbiome analysis

DOI

dx.doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.eq2lyj15wlx9/v1

Lee Murphy<sup>1</sup>, Alan Maclean<sup>1</sup>, Katarzyna Hafezi<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Genetics Core, Edinburgh Clinical Research Facility, University of Edinburgh



#### Lee Murphy

Genetics Core, Edinburgh Clinical Research Facility, Univers...



**1** 1

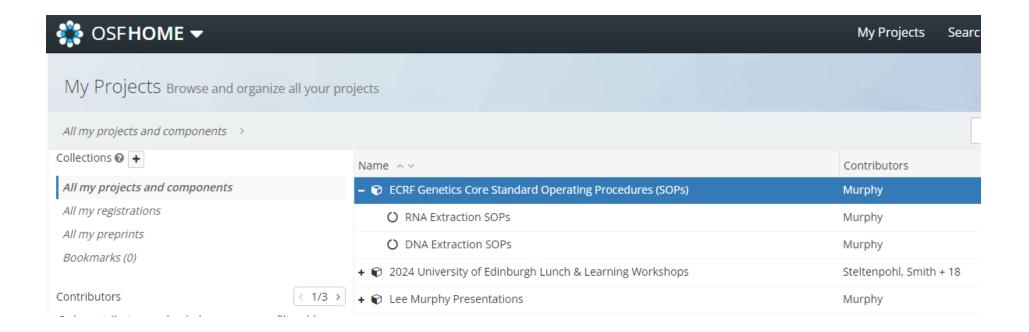


COPY / FORK





## Standard Operating Procedures



## Reporting data



5.8 Taqman Genotyping Report

#### **Taqman Genotyping Report**

#### 1. Project Information

Project Study Number	E222563
Investigator	Sara Brown
Report By	Katarzyna Hafezi
Report Date	25/04/2024

#### 2. Method Information

Genotyping SOP	13.8 Performing SNP genotyping on the QuantStudio 5
Scanner	Applied Biosystems by Life Technologies QuantStudio 5 Real Time PCR System (#272533994)
Analysis Software	QuantStudio Design & Analysis Software v1.5.3

#### 3. Summary of Genotype Information

ABI Assay ID	NCBI SNP Reference
C_15942468_10	rs2212434
2282del4	Custom designed assay
R2447X	Custom designed assay
R501X	Custom designed assay
S3247X	Custom designed assay

### **MIQE** guidelines



Raw data: .eps files

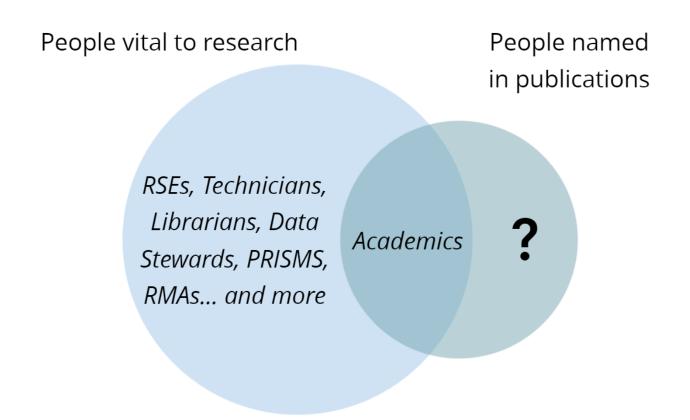


**Exported Data: .xls files** 



**Analysed Data: .txt files** 

## Publications



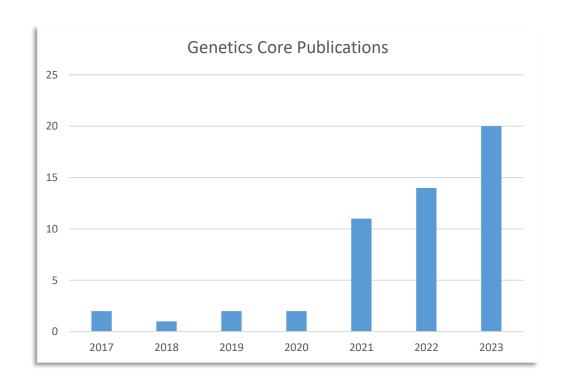
The Venn of academic importance and recognition

## **Publications**



### **CMVM Fair Publication Policy**

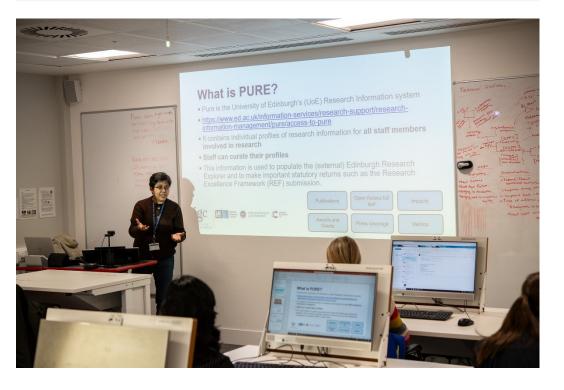
It is important to recognise the contributions of technical staff to research in all instances. Core facilities in particular provide the wider research community with state-of-the-art instrumentation and expertise, which actively adds to and improves research outputs and funding bids, and without which the College could not operate.



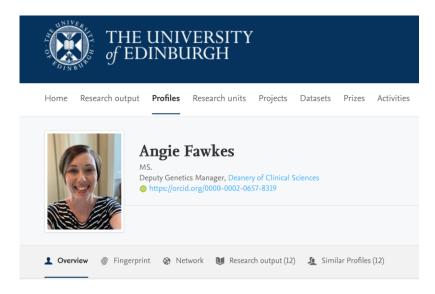
## Publications

## Developing your digital profile

This session is aimed at Technicians and professional service colleagues who are research active and have a publication record, and who would like to raise their visibility and profile.











Edinburgh Clinical Research Facility

Email: afawkes@ed.ac.uk

+ Biography

**Publications** 

## Recognising the value of technical expertise



#### Funding opportunity

## Mid-range equipment for biosciences research: ALERT 2022

Opportunity status:	Open
Funders:	Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)
Funding type:	Grant
Total fund:	£20,000,000
Award range:	£200,000 - £1,500,000
Publication date:	29 September 2022
Opening date:	21 October 2022
Closing date:	15 December 2022 16:00 UK time

Apply for funding for mid-range equipment for research across BBSRC's scientific areas. This is the latest round of ALERT funding.

You must be a researcher or a <u>research technical professional</u> from an eligible UK research organisation to apply for funding.





Matthieu Vermeren Head of Light Microscopy Facility, CRM

£451,000 – Akoyabio PhenoCycler Spatial phenotyping system

£399,000 – Leica FALCON imaging system

Pamela Brown Biomolecular Core Manager, CRH

£138,500 – Refeyn Two<sup>MP</sup>
Mass photometer system

## Recognising the value of technical expertise



# £16m investment to power up people who play vital role in research

Mar 18, 2024 | News

The UK's Research Technical Professional (RTP) community has received a £16m cash injection to power up technical talent and expertise in higher education, research and innovation. The multi-million-pound grant has been awarded by the Engineering and Physical Sciences...

### Delivering Knowledge, Skills and Opportunities to RTPs Nationally Leveraging the UK Technology Specialist Network (TSN)

- £1.6M Edinburgh;
   Manchester; Natural History
   Museum; Newcastle;
   Nottingham, Southampton;
   Warwick & York
- RTP Careers & Pipelines
- Visibility & Knowledge Exchange
- Skills sessions & Demanddriven training

#### Funding opportunity

### UKRI Digital Research Technical Professional Skills NetworkPlus

Opportunity status:	Open
Funders:	Natural Environment Research Council (NERC), UK Research and Innovation, Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC), Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC), Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC), Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC), Innovate UK
Funding type:	Grant
Total fund:	£9,500,000
Award range:	£1,000,000 - £2,000,000
Publication date:	22 April 2024
Opening date:	22 April 2024 9:00am UK time
Closing date:	27 June 2024 4:00pm UK time

## Open Research Placements for Technicians

- Between three and six days per month (half-days possible)
- Over two to four months
- Placements will be located in Argyle house and/or Libraries
- Placements can support hybrid and flexible working

Contact: kerry.miller@ed.ac.uk



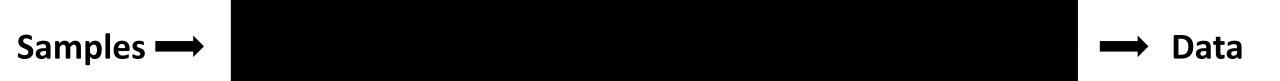


















Sample tracking through Laboratory Information Management System

Custom protocols on Protocols.io ORCiD Pure

SOPs on OSF Publish platform validation Reporting standards

process and data

Host Validation Electronic Lab Notebooks Data dictionary Equipment RRIDs data on datavault

