

## Institute for International Medicine Institution Works Policy

## I. Institution Works

The institution shall retain ownership of works created as institution works. Institution works include works that are supported by a specific allocation of institution funds or that are created at the direction of the institution for a specific institution purpose. Institution works also include works whose authorship cannot be attributed to one or a discrete number of authors but rather result from simultaneous or sequential contributions over time by multiple INMED faculty and students. For example, software tools developed and improved over time by multiple faculty and students where authorship is not appropriately attributed to a single or defined group of authors would constitute an institution work. The mere fact that multiple individuals have contributed to the creation of a work shall not cause the work to constitute an institution work.

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## II. Ownership of Works

Under the Copyright Act, works of non-employees such as consultants, independent contractors, etc. generally are owned by the creator and not by the institution, unless there is a written agreement to the contrary. As it is INMED's policy that the institution shall retain ownership of such works (created as institution rather than personal efforts), INMED will generally require a written agreement from non-employees that ownership of such works will be assigned to the institution.

This Copyright Policy shall not be interpreted to limit the institution's ability to meet its obligations for deliverables under any contract, grant, or other arrangement with third parties, including sponsored research agreements, license agreements and the like. Copyrightable works that are subject to



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