KalaCORE Publication Policy
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KalaCORE aims to ensure that output from the programme is published in appropriate journals or other media, so that impact studies, research on control programmes, impact on policy is received by the widest audience.

KalaCORE, as Sponsor of the programme, wishes to ensure that such output is of the highest quality and observes good publication practice, which includes the following principles:

(i) The duty to publish and disseminate findings and output from research, policy, and control programmes accurately and without selection that could be misleading (including adverse findings);

(ii) The output should be published in a timely fashion, in peer reviewed journals where appropriate, and presented at scientific, operational, government and international organisation meetings;

(iii) An output which is substantially similar to another publication about the same research, must contain appropriate references to the other publication;

(iv) An output, research paper or policy document must not be submitted simultaneously to more than one potential publisher (duplicate submission) unless this is acknowledged to all publishers/meeting organisers to whom the paper is submitted;

(v) Anyone listed as an author on a paper must have:
   a. made a significant intellectual or practical contribution to the work (conception, design, acquisition, analysis or interpretation of data
   b. take responsibility for a particular component of the study, including its accuracy
   c. drafting the work or revising the work
   d. be responsible and accountable for the content of the paper, able to identify their own contribution
   e. ensure they are consulted at all stages of the development of the paper and no submission should be made without the agreement of all.

(vi) The corresponding author takes primary responsibility for the communication of the manuscript/document for submission and provision of key documentation (eg clinical trial registration, supplementary information, ethics approval) and will be available throughout submission and peer review and provide answers to journal questions and requests for further information
   a. It is for the authors to decide the priority of authorship and who is to act as the corresponding author
   b. Any dispute should be taken to the KalaCORE ESG for resolution

(vii) The contribution of formal collaborators, funders, sponsors, and all others who significantly assisted the research, members of the ESG – but who do not qualify for authorship – should be properly acknowledged;

(viii) It is advisable to address publication and authorship issues at an early stage of the project, and to document agreed decisions. PIs must ensure that results should be published in accordance with the funding agreement

(ix) It is a duty of all authors to declare any potential or actual conflicts of interest in relation to the research when reporting findings at meetings or in publications

(x) All sources of information and data used in the research must be clearly acknowledged. Where a significant amount of another piece of work is used in the publication there must be permission from the relevant individual(s), organisation or publishing house

(xi) To ensure the widest audience, and in line with requirements of many public funding bodies, research finding should be published in Open Access journals
In addition, when dealing with the Public Media:

(a) Research findings should not be reported to the public media before they have been peer-reviewed by experts in the field of research. Except in exceptional circumstances, it is undesirable to make research findings available to the public media in advance of publishing the findings in a scientific journal or as a formal scientific report.

(b) All press releases should be reviewed by the research team and discussed with the KalaCORE Programme Director before they are released to the media.