Did you know UT Health has a policy on research data retention and access?

Hoop 92 - [https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1448032](https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1448032)

The following is to clarify and define the UT policy. Please take the time to read this information and if you are uncertain or have questions contact Lenora Trujillo, Lenora.G.Trujillo@uth.tmc.edu, in School of Dentistry Research office for guidance.

If have a topic you would like to add or have additional questions please contact Lenora Trujillo in the Office of Research at the School of Dentistry.

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Material Transfer / Data Use Agreement

A Material Transfer Agreement (MTA) or Data Use Agreement (DUA) is a contract that establishes terms and conditions governing the transfer of research-related materials or data between the University and another institution or company. An MTA or DUA between a providing entity and a receiving entity should be fully-executed before any materials or data are sent or received.

"DATA" is defined as recorded and/or retained information regardless of the form or the media on which they may be recorded or retained. The term includes laboratory notebooks and worksheets, memoranda, original notes or exact copies of notes that are the result of original observation, video recordings, clinical protocols, spectra, computer files and digital data (including software source code), print-outs, images or any other records necessary for reconstruction and evaluation of the results of a study.

“MATERIALS” is defined as unique tangible research resources such as synthetic or natural compounds, organisms, cell lines, viruses, cell products, recombinant DNA, antibodies, mapping data, spectroscopic or x-ray data, software developed in the course of research, and such new tangible resources that emerge as science and technology progress.